

Global Markets Monitor

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Al rally fizzles while economic data disappoints in the Euro Area

German and French services and manufacturing PMIs for June came in lower than expected. Today, a risk-off sentiment dominated in euro area markets with equities declining by 0.7% and sovereign yields falling by around 4–6 bps across curves. The weak economic data compounds heightened uncertainty about the previously announced snap elections in France. Immediately after the release, the euro depreciated by 0.4% versus the US dollar, but recovered slightly in an otherwise volatile market. Yesterday, US stocks retreated with large-cap tech stocks leading the declines amid apparent buyer exhaust and profit taking, driving the NASDAQ down by 0.8%. The US Citi economic surprise index dropped to -28.1, its lowest reading since Aug 2022. This signifies that recent economic data releases have—on net—underperformed relative to market expectations.

Key Global Financial Indicators

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6/21/24 8:28 AM	Last 12m	Latest	1 Day	7 Days	30 Days	12 M	YTD
Equities				9	%		%
S&P 500	any many	5473	-0.3	1	3	25	14.75
Eurostoxx 50	many of the same	4908	-0.8	1	-3	14	9
Nikkei 225	and the same	38596	-0.1	-1	0	18	15
MSCI EM	mummum	43	-0.2	1	-1	7	6
Yields and Spreads				b	ps		
US 10y Yield	man man	4.23	-3.3	1	-19	51	35
Germany 10y Yield	myma	2.38	-5.2	2	-12	-6	36
EMBIG Sovereign Spread	manne	394	-1	4	33	-55	11
FX / Commodities / Volatility				9	%		
EM FX vs. USD, (+) = appreciation	man man	46.0	-0.1	0	-3	-8	-4
Dollar index, (+) = \$ appreciation	2 may mark	105.8	0.2	1	1	4	4
Brent Crude Oil (\$/barrel)	many	85.7	0.0	4	3	11	11
VIX Index (%, change in pp)	mm mm	13.6	0.3	2	2	0	1

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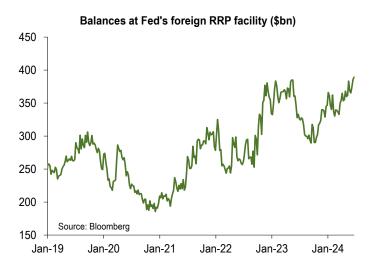
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United States

Stocks retreated from yesterday's fresh intraday record high ahead of Friday's \$5.5tn quarterly "triple witching". Large-cap tech stocks led the declines amid apparent buyer exhaust and profit taking that drove the NASDAQ down by 0.8%. Some market participants also pointed to the weaker than expected housing and Philly Fed data, that add to the string of negative economic surprises. The widely followed Citi economic surprise index for the US has dropped to -28.1, the lowest reading since Aug 2022. Treasury yields closed modestly higher amid thin volume. A 5-year TIPS auction was met with the highest investor demand across all nominal and real Treasury coupon auctions on records. The auction yield cleared 2.9 bps through pre-auction levels and end-user allocation increased 1.6 ppts further to 97.7%. Friday's triple witching hour refers to the final hour of trading on days where stock market index futures and options expire; this event can drive higher volatility and heightened trading volumes, albeit short-lived. Expiring contracts are estimated to amount to a combined nominal of \$5.5tn this Friday.

Balance at the Fed's foreign RRP facility reached new record of \$389bn. The foreign RRP facility allows foreign monetary authorities to park cash overnight with the Fed in exchange for interest, instead of investing in Treasury bills or other securities. The funds can be withdrawn and deployed, for instance for FX intervention, without the need to unwind security holdings thus minimize direct market impacts.

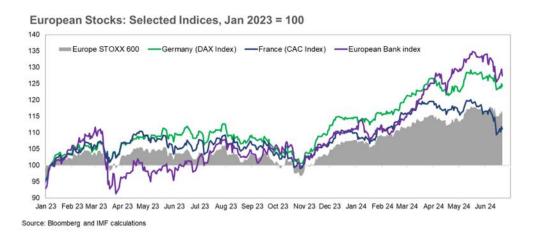


Short interest in US stocks has dropped to record low. According to JPMorgan, short interest in both SPY and QQQ—two of the largest ETFs tracking US indices—have fallen sharply since 2023 to record low levels. Meanwhile, short interest on individual stocks have remained near historical low. This has effectively provided steady flow support for US equities as short positions were covered, which in turn has suppressed realized volatility and may have incentivized vol-targeting investors to take on larger equity positions. This dynamic could potentially pose vulnerability to US equities in case of a sharp repricing of economic or monetary policy outlook.

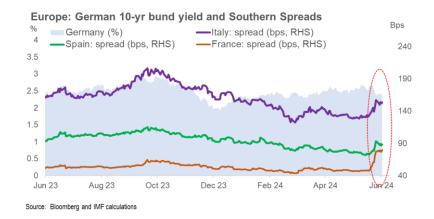
Figure 1: Short interest on the SPY and QQQ US ETF Figure 3: Short interest on the SPX member stocks (Equally Weighted) % share of share outstanding. Last obs is for 18th June 2024. Short Interest as a % share of share outstanding 23% SPY US Equity
QQQ US Equity 3.4% 21% SPX members average short interest 3.2% 19% 3.0% 17% 2.8% 15% 2 6% 2.4% 11% 2.2% Q% 2.0% 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 20 21 22 23 Source: S3, J.P. Morgan

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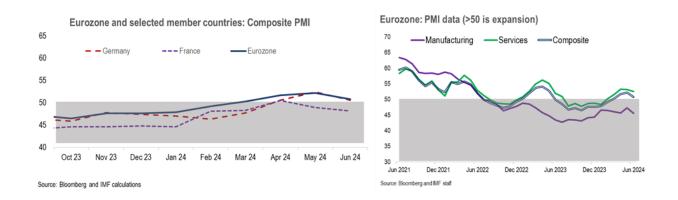
European stocks edged lower today with the Stoxx 600 index trading at -0.8%, following earlier losses in Asian equities (MSCI Asia Pacific Index -0.4%). Declines were led by the banking sector (-1.5%) and more pronounced in Italy (-1.1%) and Spain (-1.2%). Declines were also seen in Germany (-0.6%) and France (-0.6%), where PMI data disappointed today.



Yields on German government bonds were lower by about 5–6 bps across tenors, with the 10y German bund yield down to 2.37%, while the spreads of the 10y French OAT and Italian BTP were slightly wider (+2bps), at respectively 80bps and 153 bps.

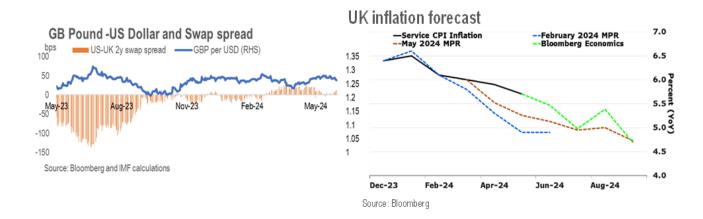


Today's preliminary PMI prints for June disappointed in the Eurozone, with the euro weakening post-release. The preliminary data for the euro area's June manufacturing PMI came in at 45.6 vs. 47.9 expected, while the services PMI also disappointed at 52.6 versus 53.4 expected. According to analysts at HSBC, today's surprising drop in the PMIs makes it more likely that the ECB will follow through with rate cuts in September and December this year. The euro was weaker (-0.3%) against the dollar this morning, trading at 1.06/\$. Expectations for ECB rate cuts have marginally adjusted upward with markets pricing in around 45bps of easing over the remainder of 2024 vis-à-vis 39 bps yesterday.



United Kingdom

The sterling continued to weaken today versus the US dollar (-0.1%), extending yesterday's depreciation (-0.5%) after the Bank of England (BoE) left its policy interest rate unchanged at 5.25%. Markets have scaled up expectations for BoE rate cuts after the policy announcements and are now pricing in 50 bps of easing in 2024 (compared to 44bps yesterday), with the odds of an August rate cut priced at 66%. Analysts at BNP continue to expect 75 bps of cuts in 2024 with the policy rate landing at 3.5% by year-end 2025. UBS analysts expect a 25 bps cut in August followed by another cut in November to take the rate to 4.75% at the end of 2024. ING and Goldman Sachs also expect a 25bps cut in August, with Goldman seeing the Bank rate reaching 3% in Q3 2026. Bank of America expect two 25bps cuts in 2024 and four in 2025 with the policy rate declining to 3.75% by the end of 2025. Gilts yields were lower after yesterday's decisions (10y gilt -3bps at 4.04%), and have moved downward (-1bp) this morning as well.

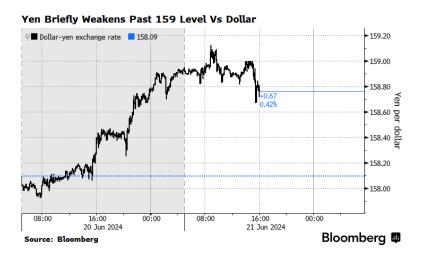


Japan

The Japanese yen appreciated after trading near a 34-year low amid cautions over FX intervention. Japanese yen appreciated to 158.8 yen per dollar (+0.1%) after breaching the 159 yen per dollar mark in the morning. Traders became more cautious due to the risk of FX interventions by Japanese authorities to

support the currency. On Thursday, the US Treasury released its "currency report" to congress; the report puts Japan on a monitoring list.

Governor Ueda said that the Bank of Japan decided to reduce its JGB purchases so that long-term yields can be determined by markets more freely, in a statement being read out on his behalf. Long-end JGB yields increased (10-year: +2.0 bps; 30-year: +1.1 bps), with the 10-year yield touching 0.968%. Japanese equities declined (NIKKEI: -0.1%). On the economic news front, inflation accelerated though at a slower-than-expected pace in May. Headline CPI inflation increased to 2.8% y/y from 2.5% in April, though slightly lower than expected (consensus: +2.9%). Core inflation (excluding food) also picked to 2.5% y/y from 2.2% (consensus: +2.6%). Composite PMI weakened to 50.0 in June from 52.6 in May, driven by both manufacturing and services components. Manufacturing PMI remained expansionary at 50.1 (from 50.4), while services PMI weakened more notably to 49.8 (from 53.8).



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EMEA equities were mostly trading higher, while CEE currencies were mostly weaker against the euro in early morning trade. Equities in Egypt (+1.1%) and Kenya were outperforming (+0.9%) while those in Czechia were underperforming (-0.2%). In CEE, currencies were trading weaker against the euro, led by the Hungarian forint which was down (-0.3%) to trade at 398.0/€ and the Polish zloty which was weaker (-0.2%) to trade at 4.33/€. Elsewhere, the South African rand was firmer (+0.4%) against the dollar at 17.90/\$ this morning building on positive momentum on the news of the formation of a market-friendly coalition government.

Asian equities generally declined, falling 1.3% on net, led by Philippine (-2.9%), Hong Kong SAR (-1.7%), Korean (-0.8%) and Taiwanese POC (-0.7%) stocks. The decline was partly driven by tech stocks. Asian currencies were mixed. Thai baht appreciated (+0.4%), while Korean won depreciated (-0.3%). Long-term government bond yields were also mixed, with 10-year yields rising in China (+1.3 bps) while falling in Thailand (-2.7 bps) and Korea (-2.1 bps).

Latin American equities mostly gained yesterday, and currencies were split across the region. Stocks in Argentina (+1.2%) led the advance, followed by Chile (+0.7%), and Brazil (+0.2%), while Colombia (-0.3%) saw losses. The Peruvian sol and Mexican peso appreciated (+0.3%), while the Brazilian real and Colombian peso depreciated (-0.3%). On the monetary policy front, Costa Rica's, and Paraguay's central bank left interest rates unchanged at 4.75% and 6%, respectively. In other news, Colombia's Congress approved an increase in their debt ceiling, removing the risk of a recent potential default.

China

The renminbi (RMB) depreciated slightly, trading around 7.26 yuan per dollar, as the People's Bank of China (PBoC) continued supporting the currency via setting the daily RMB fixing stronger than market expectations. Today, the PBoC weakened the daily fixing slightly. However, the deviation from market consensus widened to 1.487 pips, the largest magnitude since early April. Reportedly, Chinese state-owned banks sold dollar to support the currency in both morning and



afternoon today. Given the sign that the PBoC continued to firmly support the currency, offshore RMB (CNH) appreciated for the first time in four days. Chinese equities declined (CSI 300: -0.2%) as onshore investors continued disappointing about the lack of more stimulus measures. The Shanghai stock index dropped below the 3,000 level, which is perceived as a key psychological level. Some analysts noted that overly stringent policies introduced by the China Securities Regulatory Commission (CSRC) weakened investor confidence. Such measures included imposing penalties on brokerages and banning major institutional investors from reducing equity holdings at the open and close of each trading day, among others. Four Mainland property developers are scheduled for Hong Kong SAR court hearings on liquidation next week. These property developers included Kaisa, Shimao, Dafa Properties, and Redsun Properties. Last week, Dexin China Holdings became the latest property developer to be liquidated.

Mexico

The Mexican peso appreciated after Marcelo Ebrard was named as new Economy Minister. Previously, the peso had depreciated by -7.4% since the end of May, when first official projections revealed President-elect Claudia Sheinbaum won in a landslide victory coupled with her Morena party securing a two-thirds majority. The two-thirds majority would allow the pursuit of constitutional reforms, which some viewed as potentially unfriendly to markets. The peso reacted favorably after Sheinbaum named Ebrard as the new Economy Minister, appreciating by almost 0.9% intraday. Bloomberg analysts describe Ebrard as



more "market friendly" compared to other candidates for the position. Sheinbaum will be sworn in as Mexico's first female president on October 1.

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United States	and and a second	5463	-0.3	1	3	25	15
Europe	man and a second	4908	-0.8	1	-3	14	9
Japan	and the same	38596	-0.1	-1	0	18	15
China	-hammer	3496	-0.2	-1	-3	-10	2
Asia Ex Japan	Mary Mary	73	-0.1	1	0	8	9
Emerging Markets	an and a second	43	-0.2	1	-1	7	6
Interest Rates				basis	points		
US 10y Yield	and the same	4.23	-3.3	1	-19	51	35
Germany 10y Yield	undyman	2.38	-5.2	2	-12	-6	36
Japan 10y Yield	and the same	0.98	1.8	3	-1	5 9	36
UK 10y Yield	mon	4.05	-0.7	-1	-8	-36	51
Credit Spreads				basis	points		
US Investment Grade	was promised	127	0.3	1	11	-28	-6
US High Yield	more	366	4.2	-4	25	-93	-19
Exchange Rates					%		
USD/Majors	3 may my market	105.78	0.2	1	1	4	4
EUR/USD	mount	1.07	-0.1	0	-1	-3	-3
USD/JPY	2 months	159.0	0.0	1	2	12	13
EM/USD	www	46.0	-0.1	0	-3	-8	-4
Commodities					%		
Brent Crude Oil (\$/barrel)	manne	85.7	0.0	4	4	16	13
Industrials Metals (index)	mund	151	-1.3	-1	-12	3	6
Agriculture (index)	Muna	58	0.2	-3	-5	-20	-7
Implied Volatility					%		
VIX Index (%, change in pp)	mm munh	13.6	0.3	1.7	1.8	0.4	1.2
Global FX Volatility	mathematical and the second	7.4	0.0	-0.3	0.6	-0.7	-0.7
EA Sovereign Spreads			10-Ye	ar spread	vs. German	y (bps)	
Greece	more	124	1.5	-5	24	-7	20
Italy	man	154	2.2	-3	24	-8	-14
Portugal	many	75	1.9	-5	12	8	12
Spain	manny	89	2.2	-5	12	-5	-8

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Last updated:	Exchange Rates							Loc	cal Curre	ncy Bon	d Yields	(GBI EM)		
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Philippines	Warner Warner	59	-0.1	-0.3	-1	-5	-6	Intro-durantes	5.4	-3.7	6	-17	-52	-21
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Malaysia	my from	4.71	-0.1	0.2	0	-1	-3	my	3.9	1.0	1	-1	9	14
Argentina		906	0.0	-0.4	-2	-72	-11	man a	44.1	0.0	109	975	-6778	-4226
Brazil	www.marker	5.45	0.0	-1.3	-6	-13	-11	white was	12.1	-2.6	5	37	97	170
Chile	- White Market Company	932	0.5	-1.7	-5	-15	-6	manything	5.3	0.0	11	15	28	36
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Mexico	humm	18.27	0.5	1.0	-9	-6	-7	and my way	9.6	-1.0	-9	39	134	112
Peru	we have	3.8	0.3	-0.8	-2	-4	-3	mm May Mar	7.2	0.2	14	15	26	51
Uruguay	morning	39	-0.2	-0.5	-3	-4	-2	my way	9.4	4.2	15	25	-54	-17
Hungary	Marymone	371	-0.2	0.2	-4	-9	-7	www.	6.5	-1.0	-5	0	-91	75
Poland	who	4.05	-0.1	1.2	-3	0	-3	44My min	5.2	-4.1	-5	2	-8	68
Romania	2 may war	4.7	-0.1	-0.1	-2	-3	-3	muy	6.7	1.4	9	13	14	47
Russia	Marina	88.8	-1.8	0.9	2	-5	1							
South Africa	Myservery	17.9	0.4	2.7	1	2	3	manusty.	9.1	-5.0	-32	-47	-74	-1
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Philippines	What was a second block	6158	-2.9	-4	-7	-4	-5	Marchiley Marigan	90	0	9	-27	10		
Thailand	manne	1306	0.6	0	-4	-13	-8		0	0	0	0	0		
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Brazil	many many	120446	0.2	1	-5	0	-10	armond proses	233	3	20	-20	18		
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Mexico	~~~~~	53333	0.0	2	-6	-1	-7	momento	314	-4	26	-66	-20		
Peru		29858	0.4	2	-3	33	15	White Mary Mary	152	-1	11	-16	8		
Hungary	and the same of the same	70407	0.1	1	4	40	16	wash comment	161	3	22	-61	12		
Poland	may and a second	86522	0.0	3	-2	29	10	armagnature of a	104	0	11	-35	7		
Romania		18172	0.7	3	4	49	18	which with the way	199	4	27	-39	-2		
South Africa	mummin	80315	0.3	5	1	6	4	grand much	316	-10	5	-105	8		
Türkiye	mana	10746	0.1	7	-1	107	44	moneyear	299	6	22	-197	-15		
EM total	munde	43	0.0	1	-1	7	6	and the same	385	2	63	-11	40		

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