Market Daily Update

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Interest Rates (%)		
Australia		**Δ bp**
90-day Bill	4.91	1
3-year Bond	4.85	2
10-year Bond	5.13	0
US		
2-year	4.59	1
10-year	4.91	-2
Other 10-year		
Japan	2.78	0
Germany	3.29	-3
UK	5.19	-9

FX		
AUD/USD	0.7001	-0.4%
AUD/JPY	110.52	-0.3%
AUD/EUR	0.6254	-0.7%
AUD/GBP	0.5220	-0.6%
AUD/NZD	1.2459	-0.3%
AUD/CNY	4.6555	-0.5%
EUR/USD	1.1195	0.3%
USD/JPY	157.86	0.1%
USD/CNY	6.6483	-0.1%

RBA Policy	
O/N Cash Rate Target	4.60
Interbank O/N Cash Rate	4.60
Probability of a 25bps Hike in Nov	84.4%
RBA Bond Holdings (30 Oct)	A$213.6b

Commodities US$		
WTI Crude Oil	96.39	-$6.08
Brent Crude Oil	104.77	-$6.97
Mogas95*	114.47	-$11.20
CRB Index	401.05	-10.05
Gold	3950.42	$51.27
Silver	50.69	$0.93
Iron Ore (61% Fe)**	91.20	-$0.15
Iron Ore (26-27 Average)	95.50	-$0.05
Copper	14345.00	$190.50

Equities		
ASX200	8875	-22
Dow Jones	51984	214
S&P500	7541	-39
Stoxx600	649	3
CSI300	4017	31

*Mogas95 is the Singapore benchmark petrol price closely linked to Australian domestic fuel prices.
**Iron ore is the second SGX futures contract.

The sell-off in AI enablers continued into the new week, resulting in another decline in the S&P 500 and tech-heavy Nasdaq on Monday night. However, most other US industries registered gains as recent falls attracted dip buyers. In addition, press reports suggested that the US and Iran are engaged in diplomatic talks, reducing the probability of another US attack on Iran ahead of the US mid-term elections.

The news also saw oil prices decline sharply overnight. Brent futures dropped by around 6% to their lowest level since early October. WTI futures fell below US$100 a barrel.

The fall in commodity prices weighed on the Australian dollar, which depreciated against all major currencies. Commonwealth bond yields picked up slightly at the front end of the curve ahead of the RBA decision later today, with a 25bps hike to 4.85% widely expected. The ASX 200 fell by 0.6% yesterday, with declines in most sectors, before opening higher this morning.

Among the economic data released overnight, the US ISM manufacturing PMI rose by 1pt to a three-month high of 55.5 in October (above 50 = expansion). Markets expected a more moderate increase to 54.7. The report pointed to a marginally faster increase in new orders, slower but still decent employment growth, and a decline in prices paid inflation, which nonetheless remained elevated. Survey respondents confirmed that cost pressures remain acute.

Across the Pacific, the RatingDog manufacturing PMI ebbed by 0.1pts to 52.0 in October, with the report pointing to higher employment, slower input cost inflation and a decline in prices. Exports increased in October, while export charges declined for the first time in a year.

At home, the Melbourne Institute inflation gauge suggested that consumer price growth accelerated by 0.1ppts to 4.9% in October. The gauge is modelled on the official CPI basket, but on a smaller sample size. It is not targeted by the RBA.

Dwelling approvals rose by 5.1% in September, more than twice the 2.0% consensus forecast. The rise was driven by a 16.6% surge in approvals for dwellings other than houses, while private sector house approvals fell by 5.3%.

ANZ Roy Morgan consumer confidence fell by 2.5% last week, reaching the lowest level since mid-May, while consumer inflation expectations ebbed by 0.2ppts to 6.1% last week.

Economic Data Review

- **AU**: Melbourne Institute Inflation Gauge (YoY, Oct) – Actual 4.9%, Previous 4.8%.
- **AU**: Dwelling Approvals (MoM, Sep) – Actual 5.1%, Expected 4.0%, Previous -5.2% (revised).
- **AU**: ANZ Roy Morgan Consumer Confidence (w/e 31 Oct) – Actual 66.2, Previous 67.9.
- **CH**: RatingDog Manufacturing PMI (Oct) – Actual 52.0, Expected 52.0, Previous 52.1.
- **US**: ISM Manufacturing PMI (Oct) – Actual 55.5, Expected 54.7, Previous 54.5.

Economic Data Preview

- **AU**: RBA Monetary Policy Board Decision (Cash Rate Target) – Expected 4.85%, Previous 4.60%.
- **AU**: RBA Statement on Monetary Policy.
- **AU**: RBA Governor Michele Bullock's Press Conference.
- **US**: JOLTS Job Openings (Oct) – Expected 7.2m, Previous 7.1m.
- **US**: Mid-term Elections.