

Interest Rates			FX			Commodities			
Australia		Δ bp	AUD/USD	0.6919	-0.4%	WTI Crude Oil	93.13	\$2.74	
	90-day Bill	4.76	-1	AUD/JPY	109.28	-0.2%	Brent Crude Oil	102.60	\$4.42
	3-year Bond	4.89	-10	AUD/EUR	0.6158	0.5%	Mogas95*	134.29	\$3.65
	10-year Bond	5.34	-7	AUD/GBP	0.5246	0.2%	CRB Index	412.02	1.77
US			AUD/NZD	1.2374	0.4%	Gold	4161.14	\$19.72	
			AUD/CNY	4.6531	-0.1%	Silver	60.71	\$0.64	
			EUR/USD	1.1237	-0.8%	Iron Ore (61% Fe)**	91.95	-\$1.50	
	2-year	4.80	-10	USD/JPY	157.94	0.1%	Iron Ore (26-27 Average)	97.02	-\$0.08
10-year	5.25	-5	USD/CNY	6.7060	0.0%	Copper	14243.50	-\$166.50	
Other 10-year			RBA Policy			Equities			
			O/N Cash Rate Target		4.60	ASX200	8665	-30	
			Interbank O/N Cash Rate		4.60	Dow Jones	50927	21	
	Japan	3.07	-2	Probability of a 25bps Hike in Nov		20.0%	S&P500	7666	15
	Germany	3.51	-8	RBA Bond Holdings (31 Aug)		A\$227.4b	Stoxx600	627	-8
	UK	5.40	-3				CSI300	4358	0

*Mogas95 is the Singapore benchmark petrol price closely linked to Australian domestic fuel prices.

**Iron ore is the second SGX futures contract.

US equities extended their decline early in the overnight session before a late rally lifted the market into positive territory, with the S&P 500 recording its first gain of the week. The rally in shares occurred as US Treasury yields eased from earlier highs, after the 10-year yield briefly reached its highest level since 2002. The US dollar index climbed to its highest level since April 2025.

The rally in equities and decline in Treasury yields coincided with comments from Fed officials suggesting there was no urgency to tighten policy further, helping to reduce market pricing for an October rate increase.

Treasury yields fell despite a sharp rise in oil prices, amid reports that Washington is considering deploying a third aircraft carrier group and additional troops to the Middle East.

The Wall Street rally followed a third consecutive decline in the European Stoxx 600, which fell to its lowest level since June. Asia-Pacific shares were mostly lower, although markets rose in Japan, South Korea and Taiwan. Mainland Chinese and Hong Kong markets were closed for the weeklong National Day holiday, which began yesterday.

At home, the ASX 200 fell 2%, with all sectors posting sizeable declines. It was the index's largest fall since 9 March and left it at its lowest level since June. Australian bond yields were relatively steady yesterday before opening lower this morning in line with global markets. The Australian dollar slipped against the stronger US dollar but gained against the other majors over the past 24 hours.

The ISM manufacturing PMI edged down 0.1pt to 54.5, signalling a marginal slowdown in US manufacturing activity growth. Production, new orders and employment remained in expansionary territory, while input cost inflation accelerated. Products linked to the data centre construction boom, including computer and electronic components and memory chips, remain in short supply. US construction spending data reportedly showed US data centre construction rose 7.5% in August to be 73% over the year.

Australia's seasonally adjusted goods [trade surplus](#) narrowed by A\$856m to A\$495m in August, from a downwardly revised A\$1,351m (originally A\$1,923m). The surplus declined as growth in exports (+3.7%) was outpaced by imports (+5.8%). Imports of automatic data processing equipment reached a record high as the data centre construction boom continued to drive demand.

Australian job vacancies fell a seasonally adjusted 0.9% in the August quarter, following a 2.2% decline in the three months to May, and were 1.3% lower over the year. Private sector vacancies fell 2.0% in the quarter, while public sector vacancies rose 7.8%.

Economic Data Review

- **AU:** Trade Balance (Aug) – Actual A\$0.5b, Expected A\$2.0b, Previous A\$1.4b (revised).
- **AU:** Job Vacancies (QoQ, Aug) – Actual -0.9%, Previous -2.2% (revised).
- **US:** ISM Manufacturing PMI (Sep) – Actual 54.5, Expected 54.9, Previous 54.6.

Economic Data Preview

- **US:** Non-Farm Payrolls (Monthly Change, Sep) – Expected 90k, Previous 162k.
- **US:** Unemployment Rate (Sep) – Expected 4.1%, Previous 4.1%.