

Interest Rates			FX			Commodities		
Australia		Δ bp	AUD/USD	0.6942	0.0%	WTI Crude Oil	71.89	-\$2.34
90-day Bill	4.46	-1	AUD/JPY	112.61	-0.1%	Brent Crude Oil	76.10	-\$2.68
3-year Bond	4.45	-5	AUD/EUR	0.6069	0.0%	Mogas95*	94.11	-\$3.92
10-year Bond	4.87	-5	AUD/GBP	0.5174	-0.1%	CRB Index	368.51	1.50
			AUD/NZD	1.2038	-0.6%	Gold	4125.62	\$44.41
			AUD/CNY	4.7159	-0.1%	Silver	60.07	\$1.62
US			EUR/USD	1.1437	0.1%	Iron Ore (61% Fe)**	98.85	-\$0.60
2-year	4.17	-4	USD/JPY	162.21	-0.1%	Iron Ore (26-27 Average)	98.28	\$0.00
10-year	4.55	-3	USD/CNY	6.7922	-0.2%	Copper	13489.50	\$324.00
			RBA Policy			Equities		
			O/N Cash Rate Target		4.35	ASX200	8759	48
Other 10-year			Interbank O/N Cash Rate		4.35	Dow Jones	52487	139
Japan	2.84	-4	Probability of a 25bps Hike in Aug		18.6%	S&P500	7544	61
Germany	3.08	-1	RBA Bond Holdings (30 Jun)		A\$229.9b	Stoxx600	641	5
UK	4.90	-8				CSI300	4876	121

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

**Iron ore is the second SGX futures contract.

Wall Street bounced back, as investors shrugged off concerns over tensions in the Middle East and focused on the prospects of the artificial intelligence boom. The S&P 500 rose 0.8%, while the tech-heavy Nasdaq gained 1.3%, following mixed results in Europe and the Asia-Pacific region. Oil prices and government bond yields declined after solid increases on Wednesday night, while the US dollar depreciated.

Following US strikes in response to attacks on ships crossing the Strait of Hormuz, Iran targeted US military sites across the Middle East, while Israeli Defence Minister Israel Katz warned that Israel could resume its campaign against Iran if needed. Some press reports suggest that traffic through the Strait has been halted, though Bloomberg data show that commercial vessels continue to cross, albeit in somewhat lower numbers.

Oil prices retreated by around 3% overnight but remain close to their highest levels since mid-June. Government bond yields also declined slightly but are still near their highest levels since mid-May in both the US and major European countries.

The Australian dollar depreciated against the Japanese yen and British pound, but was steady against the remainder of the major currencies. Commonwealth bond yields declined somewhat more than their US equivalents. The ASX 200 fell 0.3% yesterday, though declines were contained to materials, real estate and financials, while other sectors – particularly energy – posted solid gains. The Australian share market opened slightly lower this morning.

Data-wise, US initial jobless claims were little changed at a moderate 215k last week, while continuing claims also held steady at just above 1.8m in the week ending 27 June.

Across the Pacific, China's annual headline CPI inflation declined to 1.0% in June, as did core inflation. At the same time, annual PPI inflation increased by another 0.2 percentage points to a fresh four-year high of 4.1%, as expected, with the strongest gains in the mining sector.

The International Monetary Fund updated its flagship World Economic Outlook report this week, revising its 2026 global growth forecast slightly lower by 0.1 percentage points to 3.0%. US growth estimates were unchanged at 2.3%, while China's growth forecast was upgraded by 0.2 percentage points to 4.6%. Australia's growth forecast was downgraded by 0.1 percentage point to 1.9%.

The updated World Economic Outlook also included upwardly revised forecasts for global inflation, up by 0.3 percentage points to 4.7%, still below the 5.8% recorded in 2024.

Economic Data Review

- **CH:** CPI (YoY, Jun) – Actual 1.0%, Expected 1.1%, Previous 1.2%.
- **CH:** PPI (YoY, Jun) – Actual 4.1%, Expected 4.1%, Previous 3.9%.
- **US:** Initial Jobless Claims (w/e 4 Jul) – Actual 215k, Expected 218k, Previous 217k (revised).

Economic Data Preview

No market-moving data.