WEEKLY MARKET & ECONOMIC ROUNDUP



Tuesday, 1 July 2014

Chart A: Domestic Interest Rates

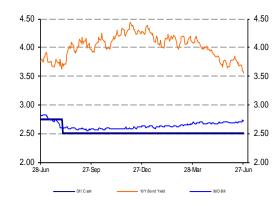


Chart B: Share Price Index

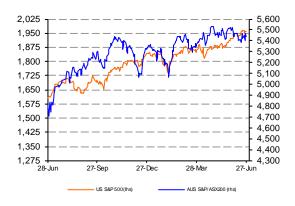


Chart C: Exchange Rate



Chart D: Commodities



Domestic Data Releases

ABS Job Vacancies (number, Y%ch, nsa) showed total job vacancies were up 36.4% through the year to the May quarter 2014, nationally total job vacancies y were up 2.7% in the same period.

Markets

The **Australian stock market** rose 0.5 per cent on the previous Friday, while the **New York Stock Exchange** fell 0.1 per cent.

	Value	Change on	Change on	
		Year	Week	
S&P 500	1,961.0	22.1 %	-0.1 %	
ASX200	5,445.1	13.4 %	0.5 %	
Australian Dollar (USD)	0.9437	1.7 %	0.3 %	
TWI	72.20	1.1 %	0.1 %	
Oil (USD/bbl)	105.84	9.6 %	-1.3 %	
Gold (USD/oz)	1,317.50	10.5 %	0.4 %	
Thermal Coal (USD/tonne)	70.71	-10.3 %	-1.6 %	
Australian 10-yr bond	3.55%	-21.6 bps	-14.2 bps	
US 10-yr bond	2.52%	6.0 bps	-11.0 bps	
Australian 90-day bill	2.50%	-25.0 bps	0.0 bps	

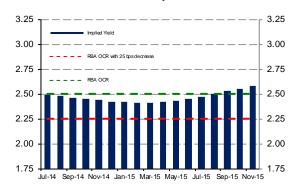
Upcoming Domestic Data Releases (30/6 - 4/7)

- The ABS will release data on international trade, engineering construction, retail trade and building approvals
- The RBA will release financial aggregates and interest rate decision.
- The TD-MI will release the inflation gauge
- The AIG will release the PMI, PSI and PCI surveys.
- The HIA will release new home sales.

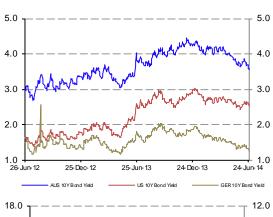
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Chart E: Interest Rate Expectations



Charts F & G: International Bond Yields





Market Interest Rate Expectations

Current **market expectations**, as shown by the **implied yield** curve on ASX 30 day interbank cash rate futures, **favour no change** by the RBA at its next meeting. The market expects the **next increase in cash rate not until after November 2015**.

According to the **ASX target rate tracker**, as of 27 June, there is a 98% expectation that the RBA will keep the cash rate at 2.50% at its 1 July policy meeting.

International Bond Yield Spreads

10-yr bond yield	Yield	Change on Year	Change on Week	Spread on 10- yr US bond week end	Spread on 10- yr US bond year ago
Australian (AUS)	3.55%	-21.6 bps	-14.2 bps	103.1 bps	130.7 bps
United States (US)	2.52%	6.0 bps	-11.0 bps		
Germany (GER)	1.25%	-44.9 bps	-8.0 bps	-126.8 bps	-75.9 bps
Italy (ITA)	2.72%	-182.4 bps	-11.6 bps	19.8 bps	208.2 bps
Portugal (PRT)	3.57%	-282.1 bps	5.7 bps	105.0 bps	393.1 bps
Spain (ESP)	2.63%	-208.9 bps	-10.9 bps	10.9 bps	225.8 bps

Key International Data Releases

- US: consumer confidence rose to 85.2 index points in June.
- EMU: HSBC PMI fell to 51.9 in June.
- China: HSBC PMI rose to 50.8 in June.
- Japan: CPI grew at 3.7% annually in May.

Upcoming Key International Data Releases (30/6 – 4/7)

- US: ISM manufacturing, Fed minutes for FOMC, ISM non-manufacturing, Non-farm payrolls and unemployment rate
- **UK**: BoE rate announcement.
- Japan: industrial production%.

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