

GLOBAL MARKETS

DAILY MARKET NEWS



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Domestic Market Developments

The Kenyan shilling held firm against the US dollar as market participants remained mostly inactive throughout another calm trading session.

On Wednesday, the dollar inflows traded strongly, quenching foreign currency demand for majority of the session leaving the USDKES currency pair unmoved.

As we move towards the end of the week we see a continued silent market activity constraining movement of the local unit.

International News

US market

The U.S. dollar is holding steady within a narrow trading range as investors await key economic indicators including the September CPI and October PMI for direction.

The U.S. dollar is adding to yesterday's modest gains but continues to move within a limited range due to the absence of key economic data. FX volatility remains subdued, sitting well below its historical average and close to record lows.

The U.S. government shutdown persists with no progress toward resolution as both parties remain at a stalemate. The longer the impasse drags on, the greater the potential damage to economic growth and the job market.

Eurozone & UK markets

EUR/GBP edged higher on Monday, supported by growing concerns over the UK budget outlook. Cautious remarks from Bank of England officials helped to limit Sterling's losses, while S&P's downgrade of France's credit rating capped the Euro's upside potential.

The Euro is pressured by France's credit downgrade from S&P and ongoing fiscal concerns, while Germany's PPI fell for the third month, signaling persistent disinflation.

Japan market

JPY strengthened on expectations that Prime Minister Takaichi will adopt expansionary and accommodative policies. Traders anticipate the Bank of Japan will keep rates steady next week, with a possible hike in January. Meanwhile, President Trump expects to finalize several agreements with Chinese President Xi Jinping.

Short-end market Rates

Country				
91 Day T-Bill	7.891%	10.38%	7.49%	6.38%
182 Day T-bill	7.9301%	13.43%	8.47%	6.06%
364 Day T-bill	9.5406%	15.25%	8.91%	7.28%
Inflation Rate	4.58%	3.80%	3.20%	7.30%
Interbank	9.5097%	9.79%	6.31%	6.50%

Quotes on the major currencies.

	Buy	Sell
USD	125.00	133.50
EUR	139.85	159.45
GBP	163.30	181.64
CHF	152.04	170.18
JPY	78.54	90.19
ZAR	5.80	9.96
CAD	86.69	99.18
UGX	0.0286	0.0576
TZS	0.0445	0.0673
AED	30.63	41.80
RWF	0.0513	0.1303

Indicative Deposit rates

Amounts > KES 20 million		Amounts > 100,000	
Tenor	KES	USD	EUR
Call	3.15%	0.95%	0.0%
1 month	4.70%	2.10%	0.35%
3 months	4.75%	2.10%	0.40%
6 months	4.75%	2.20%	0.40%

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