

GLOBAL MARKETS

DAILY MARKET NEWS



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Domestic Market Developments

The Kenyan shilling was steady against the U.S. dollar amid subdued market activity in another quiet trading session. On Friday, strong dollar inflows met most of the foreign currency demand, leaving the USD/KES pair largely unchanged. With market participation remaining low toward the end of the week, the shilling is expected to continue trading within a tight range.

International News

US market

The U.S. dollar remained firm near its weekly highs, trading within a narrow range as tariff-related headlines and European and U.K. PMI data caused only limited currency volatility. Market attention turned to North America after President Donald Trump announced the end of all trade talks with Canada, responding to an Ontario advertising campaign critical of U.S. tariffs.

The U.S. Consumer Price Index increased 3.0% year-on-year in September, up from 2.9% previously, according to Friday data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. The reading, however, fell short of the market consensus, which had anticipated a 3.1% rise.

Eurozone & UK markets

UK retail sales rose unexpectedly for the fourth straight month, providing support for the British pound. Earlier in the day, the pound gained ground after UK retail sales unexpectedly rose by 0.5% month-on-month in September, defying market forecasts for a 0.2% decrease.

The Euro strengthened after flash October data from the Hamburg Commercial Bank Purchasing Managers Index indicated that Eurozone business activity grew at a faster pace than expected.

Japan market

The Japanese yen extended its losing streak for a seventh straight session on Monday, falling to its lowest level in over two weeks during Asian trading. The currency remains under pressure amid expectations that Japan's new Prime Minister, Sanae Takaichi, will adopt expansionary fiscal policies and delay any early monetary tightening. Additionally, improving signs of U.S.-China trade relations have boosted risk appetite, further reducing demand for the safe-haven yen.

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.

	Buys	Sells
USD	125.00	133.50
EUR	140.19	159.82
GBP	163.07	181.33
CHF	152.17	170.39
JPY	78.14	89.73
ZAR	5.87	10.08
CAD	86.74	99.24
UGX	0.0287	0.0576
TZS	0.0448	0.0678
AED	30.63	41.80
RWF	0.0514	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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