

GLOBAL MARKETS

DAILY MARKET NEWS



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Domestic Market Developments

The shilling held steady against the greenback in yesterday's trading session, as the dearth of activity in the local foreign exchange market persisted.

Yesterday also the CBK cut the CBR by 25bps to 8.75%, extending a record 10th consecutive easing move.

International News

US market

The US dollar traded in a tight range Tuesday, after retail sales data for December came in unchanged. Data released by the US Census Bureau on Tuesday showed that US Retail Sales remained unchanged at \$735 billion in December. This figure followed the 0.6% rise seen in November and came below the market consensus for an increase of 0.4%. On a yearly basis, Retail Sales rose 2.4% in December, versus 3.3% prior. Traders await the release of the US jobs data on Wednesday, which might offer some clues on the US interest rate path.

Eurozone & UK markets

The EUR/USD pulled back as hawkish Fed rhetoric offsets softer US economic data. In Europe, the economic docket was absent on Tuesday, yet the ECB President Christine seemed confident that inflation in the bloc will stabilize at around 2% in the medium term. Conversely, the ECB is projected to hold rates unchanged throughout the year and with first move expected to see a rate rise.

The GBP/USD traded lower on Tuesday, weakening after the previous session's gains as investors weighed the crisis facing Prime Minister Keir Starmer and rising wagers of further rate cuts. Meanwhile, the BoE appears increasingly close to another rate cut after updated forecasts showed inflation easing below the 2% target as early as April. Markets have ramped up bets for a BoE rate reduction, potentially as soon as March.

Japan market

The USD/JPY pair remained on the back foot through the Asian session on Wednesday and looks to build on its heavy losses registered over the past two days. Traders, however, seem reluctant and might opt to wait for the delayed release of the US monthly employment details. Moreover, fears that Japanese authorities will intervene to support the JPY should keep the USD/JPY bulls on the sidelines and cap any meaningful recovery attempt from a one-and-a-half-week low touched on Tuesday.

Short-end market Rates

Country				
91 Day T-Bill	7.63%	11.50%	7.49%	8.09%
182 Day T-bill	7.79%	13.50%	8.47%	8.16%
364 Day T-bill	9.20%	14.90%	8.91%	8.52%
Inflation Rate	4.40%	3.10%	3.60%	5.20%
Interbank	8.99%	10.56%	5.92%	6.85%

Quotes on the major currencies.

	Buys	Sells
USD	125.00	133.50
EUR	143.66	163.80
GBP	167.37	186.10
CHF	158.25	177.18
JPY	78.14	89.74
ZAR	6.37	10.93
CAD	89.79	102.68
UGX	0.0281	0.0564
TZS	0.0435	0.0655
AED	30.63	41.81
RWF	0.0513	0.1298

Indicative Deposit rates

	Amounts > KES 20 million		Amounts > 100,000	
Tenor	KES	USD	GBP	
Call	3.15%	0.85%	0.0%	
1 month	4.55%	1.90%	0.05%	
3 months	4.55%	1.90%	0.05%	
6 months	4.60%	1.85%	0.00%	

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