

Weekly Market Snapshot

22nd June 2020

News highlights

- Global stocks managed to record solid gains last week on better-thanexpected economic data and talks about a massive infrastructure stimulus plan from the US administration. The Fed also lifted spirits by putting into practice its buying of single line corporate bonds.
- The US retail sales report showed a 17.7% MoM increase in spending in May, the largest increased on record (albeit one measured against a 23.3% cumulative decline over the previous 3 months), offering a promising sign of pent-up demand being unleashed and the effectiveness of stimulus checks and enhanced unemployment benefits. In contrast, there was no real improvement in industrial production numbers.
- The ECB announced a record €1.31 trillion uptake in its TLTRO operation last week while the BOE enlarged its bond-buying program by GBP 100 billion, saying it will slow the rate of purchases. It expects to meet a new target of GBP 745 billion by the end of the year.
- EU leaders agreed on Friday that urgent action was needed to haul their economies out of the coronavirus-induced slump. It seems that compromise is slowly building on the Recovery Fund but we are not yet there. Discussions are expected to continue in July.
- On the corporate side, Wirecard topped headlines with its shares losing four-fifths of their value and its debt trading around 25 cents on the euro. The German payments company crashed following the revelation that auditors could not confirm the existence of €1.9bn in cash that was supposed to be held in escrow accounts at two Asian banks. In an indication of the company's worsening outlook, Moody's said on Friday that it cut Wirecard's credit ratings six levels (from Baa3 to B3); the company is under review for further downgrade.

EQUITIES (local currency, price change)

	Last Price	Last Price 5 days		YTD	
US			Local	EUR	
S&P 500	3 098	1.9%	-4.1%	-3.8%	46.8%
Nasdaq	9 946	3.7%	10.8%	11.2%	94.4%
Dow Jones	25 871	1.0%	-9.3%	-9.1%	43.6%
Europe					
Stoxx 50	3 269	3.7%	-12.7%	-12.7%	-5.4%
DAX	12 331	3.2%	-6.9%	-6.9%	11.7%
CAC	4 979	2.9%	-16.7%	-16.7%	3.4%
FTSE	6 293	3.1%	-16.6%	-22.0%	-6.2%
AEX	568	4.2%	-6.1%	-6.1%	19.4%
BEL 20	3 377	2.4%	-14.6%	-14.6%	-5.9%
SMI	10 266	4.8%	-3.3%	-1.4%	15.8%
EM & Asia					
Nikkei 225	22 479	0.8%	-5.0%	-3.0%	11.4%
Hang Seng	24 644	1.4%	-12.6%	-11.9%	-7.9%
India	34 732	2.8%	-15.8%	-21.1%	27.1%
Russia	2 759	0.5%	-9.4%	-19.1%	65.9%
Brazil	96 572	4.1%	-16.5%	-36.8%	79.7%

FIXED INCOME (local currency, total return)

	Yield	5 days	YTD	5 Years
US				
Government	0.54	0.0%	8.3%	21.4%
Investment Grade	2.07	0.9%	4.7%	30.2%
High Yield	6.44	0.9%	-2.3%	27.5%
Europe				
Government	0.08	0.4%	1.6%	15.7%
Investment Grade	0.86	0.2%	-1.1%	12.3%
High Yield	5.15	0.6%	-4.8%	18.6%
EM				
Global HC USD	4.36	0.7%	-0.8%	28.2%

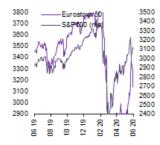
EUR VERSUS MAJOR CURRENCIES

	Last	5 days	YTD	5 Years
USD	1.12	-0.7%	-0.3%	-13.6%
JPY	119.46	-1.2%	-1.9%	18.7%
CHF	1.06	-0.7%	-1.9%	-12.0%
GBP	0.91	0.8%	7.0%	13.5%

COMMODITIES

	Last	ast 5 days.	YTD		5 Years
			USD	EUR	
Brent	42.19	8.9%	-36.1%	-35.9%	-61.6%
Gold	1 743.87	0.8%	14.9%	15.3%	-1.2%

Equities (price, local currency)

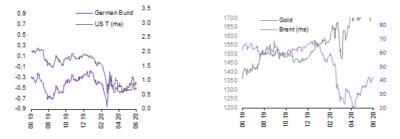


EUR vs. USD



Source: Bloomberg, BIL, as at 19/06/2020

Bonds (Yield)



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