

# Weekly Macro Outlook

w/c 4 July 2022

# Key events for the week ahead – US non-farm payrolls, FOMC & ECB minutes, RBA policy decision

At the ECB Forum at Sintra last week, central bankers agreed that we aren't returning to a 'lowflation' world. While Inflation may come down from these peaks, it could stay elevated compared to before the pandemic – and this has implications for monetary policy settings. Central bankers also felt there was urgency in tightening to ensure inflation does not become entrenched. Whilst Chair Powell thought there was a risk of "going too far" with tightening and risking a recession, in fact, "the bigger mistake to make, let's put it that way, would be to fail to restore price stability." (US Fed Chair Powell).

But will these central banks maintain this hawkishness if growth does slow in a meaningful way? In Europe, the Euro area flash CPI for Jun continued to accelerate to a record +8.6% but the flash PMIs for Jun suggests a slowdown in manufacturing and services momentum plus weak sentiment. The ECB has yet to even start raising rates (although conditions are tightening). There is still a considerable downside risk to growth in the Euro area from a further escalation with Russia/Ukraine and energy policy.

The BoE is not seen as behind the curve. The UK economy is "at a turning point" and showing signs of slowing while the inflation rate remains at an extreme +9.1%. The BoE Governor noted at Sintra that it would act more forcefully if inflation remained persistent, but hinted that raising the policy rate was not the only option.

Finally, the FOMC has been tightening more aggressively. The PCE inflation rate increased at a constant pace of 6.3% in May (+6.3% in Apr), but the Atlanta Fed trimmed mean still shows inflation broadening across categories. There are signs of easing pressure from energy and other commodity prices, which may be reflected in upcoming inflation reports. But US manufacturing, services, and housing data are fuelling growth concerns. US regional manufacturing surveys for Jun recorded a notable slowdown in orders over the last two months. Firms are instead working through backlogs and tight inventories are starting to ease. The ISM manufacturing report for Jun also reported a slight contraction in orders as well as a further, moderate contraction in employment.

During his FOMC press conference in Jun, Chair Powell said that the "objective is to bring inflation down to 2% while the labour market remains strong". The labour markets will remain a key barometer for the central banks and for the pace of tightening in the near term.

This week, the focus will be on US non-farm payrolls for Jun. Initial claims over the last few weeks have remained steady, albeit slightly elevated. Non-farm payrolls are expected to increase by +270k in Jun (+390k in May). Participation is expected to be little changed at 62.3% and the unemployment rate is expected to remain at an extremely low 3.6%.

The FOMC and ECB minutes from the prior meetings will be released this week.

The RBA will meet on policy this week. Governor Lowe noted that the discussion will likely focus on a 25 or 50bps increase in the cash rate target. Markets are expecting another 50bps increase. The labour market remains strong, while there is some evidence of the housing market starting to slow.

The final global PMIs for Jun will continue to be released this week. Also, Germany's factory orders and industrial production data for May will be an important gauge of activity in the Euro area.

### **US Treasury Issuance & QT**

This week, the US Treasury will auction and settle approx. \$182bn in ST Bills, with an estimated paydown of \$26bn.

Approx. \$20bn in ST Bills will mature on the Fed balance sheet this week and will be rolled over.

WEEK	Auction Date	Settlement Date	Marketable Securities	Auction Amount \$B (TBAC)	Amount Maturing \$B	New Money \$B		Prior Auction High Rate %
Monday 4th July -	National Independe	nce Day Holiday						
4-8 Jul	30-Jun	05-Jul	4 week bill	35			Actual 1.240%	1.100%
	30-Jun	05-Jul	8 week bill	30			Actual 1.650%	1.500%
	29-Jun	05-Jul	119-Day CMB	30			Actual 2.185%	2.060%
				95	100	-5		
	05-Jul	07-Jul	13 week bill	45			Announced	1.750%
	05-Jul	07-Jul	26 week bill	42			Announced	2.500%
				87	108	-21		
		Total - sec	urities settling this week	182	208	-26		
		Net New	Cash Raised Qtr to Date	182	208	-26		
		Estimated Net Cas	h to be Raised Q3 (\$ Bn)			182		
		Face value of SC	OMA securities maturing	<b>\$</b> B				
	Matur	ring & reinvestment						
		05-Jul	Bills	6.5				
		07-Jul	Bills	14.2				
				20.6				
	Quantitati	ve Tightening Summ	ary - Monthly cap \$ Bn J	ULY 2022:	30			
		SOMA	securities maturing July	2022 \$ Bn	% of total month		Redemption Amt	Reinvest Amt
		15-Jul-22	Notes & Bonds	25.9	0.62		18.6	7.3
		31-Jul-22	Notes & Bonds	15.9	0.38		11.4	4.5
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#### **Quantitative Tightening Summary – JULY 2022**

According to FOMC guidelines, there will be a \$30bn cap on the decline in Treasury securities on the Fed balance sheet in July.

SOMA <u>Coupon</u> maturities are estimated to be \$41.7bn this month (on 15 and 31 July). Of the \$41.7bn, a total of \$30bn (the cap) will be redeemed and the remaining \$11.7bn in maturing Coupons will be reinvested. Given that the value of Coupons maturing is greater than the redemption cap this month, maturing Bills on the balance sheet will be rolled over/reinvested.

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#### Recommended US Treasury Financing Q3 - 2022

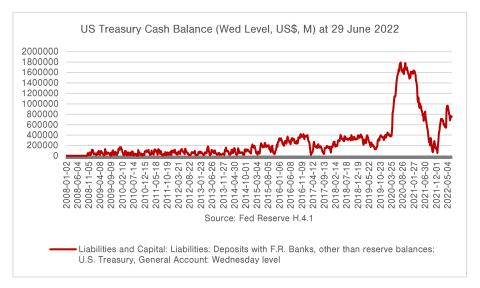
In Q3, the TBAC estimates that the US Treasury will raise approx. \$182bn in new money in Q3. This reflects a -\$153bn paydown of Bills and +\$335bn of net new Coupon issuance for the quarter.

As of the end of Q2, the US Treasury raised approx. \$7bn in new money over the quarter.

The next release of the final Q3 refunding schedule and the estimate for Q4 will be on 3 August 2022. Overall financing estimates will be released on 1 August 2022. <a href="https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/financing-the-government/quarterly-refunding/most-recent-quarterly-refunding-documents">https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/financing-the-government/quarterly-refunding/most-recent-quarterly-refunding-documents</a>

#### **Treasury Cash Levels**

The level of the TGA increased by \$14bn, reaching a balance of \$759bn as of Wed 29 June. This current balance is approx. \$92bn below the same week a year ago.



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#### **QE PROGRAMS**

There are no further Treasury purchase operations at this stage.

Current statement and explanation regarding the purchase and reinvestment of Treasury securities and Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities operations: <a href="https://www.newyorkfed.org/markets/opolicy/operating-policy-220126">https://www.newyorkfed.org/markets/opolicy/operating-policy-220126</a>

The NY Fed plans to purchase approx. \$6.8bn in MBS over the period 29 Jun -13 Jul. The next tentative schedule will be released on 14 Jul.

Date	Treasury Security Operations (\$ BN)	MBS Operations, Max Value (\$ BN)
Mon 4 Jul	0	Holiday
Tue 5 Jul	0	0.922
Wed 6 Jul	0	0.531
Thur 7 Jul	0	0.922
Fri 8 Jul	0	0.311
Total Announced Purchases	\$0bn	\$2.7bn

Links to Operation Schedules -

 $\frac{https://www.newyorkfed.org/markets/domestic-market-operations/monetary-policy-implementation/treasury-securities/treasury-securities-operational-details}$ 

https://www.newyorkfed.org/markets/ambs operation schedule

### WEEK COMMENCING 4 JULY 2022

MONDAY 4 JULY (US Eastern Time, unless stated otherwise)		
US	Independence Day Holiday	
Europe	Eurozone PPI (May)	
Canada	S&P Global Manufacturing PMI (Jun), BoC Outlook Survey	
Australia	Housing Finance (May), Services PMI Final (Jun) RBA Monetary Policy Decision	
Japan	Services PMI Final (Jun)	

TUESDAY 5 JULY		
Europe	Eurozone Services PMI Final (Jun)	
UK	Services PMI Final (Jun), BoE Governor Bailey Speech	
US	Factory Orders (May)	

WEDNES	DAY 6 JULY
US	Mortgage Apps wk ending 1 Jul, S&P US Services PMI Final (Jun), ISM Services PMI (Jun), JOLTS (May), Fed speeches: Williams FOMC Minutes
Europe	Germany Factory Orders (May), EC Growth Forecasts, Eurozone Retail Sales (May)

THURSDAY 7 JULY		
US	Initial Claims wk 1 Jul, Challenger Job Cuts (Jun), Fed speeches: Bullard & Waller	
Europe	Germany Industrial Production (May), ECB Minutes	

FRIDAY 8 JULY		
Europe	ECB President Lagarde speech	
US	Non-Farm Payrolls (Jun) exp +270k, Consumer Credit (May), Wholesale Inventories Final (May), Fed speeches: Williams	
Canada	Labour Market Report (Jun)	
China	CPI & PPI (Jun)	