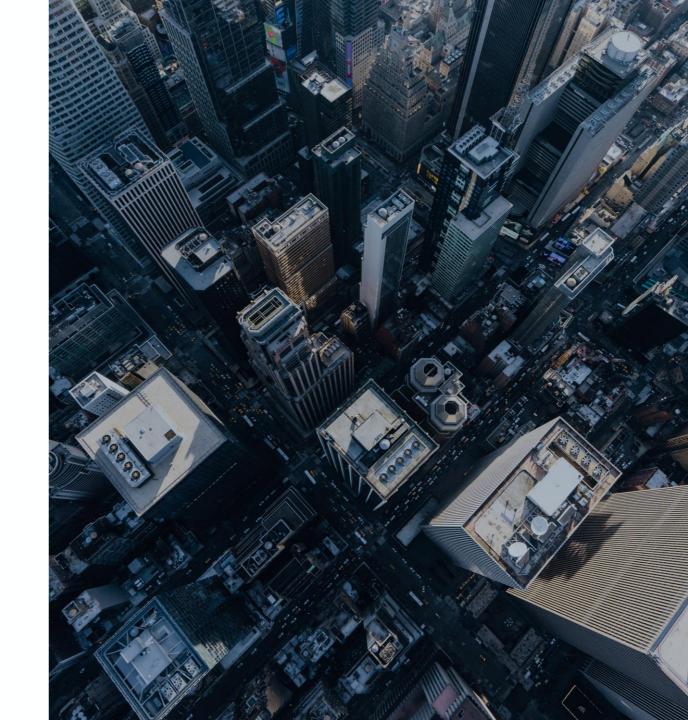


# Global FX Outlook

October 2024





# **Key insights**

### Fed cuts, China stimulus drives September to remember

After a wild volatility ride in July and August, markets switched back to positivity in September as key equity markets climbed to record levels as major FX markets hit new highs.

Two key factors drove these gains. First, a larger-than-expected rate cut from the Federal Reserve boosted US shares with the Dow Jones index and S&P 500 both making new record highs during the month. The Fed's move sent the US dollar sharply lower, however.

Second, a sequence of moves from Chinese authorities, including cutting key interest rates and encouraging more bank lending, saw Chinese shares experience their best one-week performance since 2008. The Chinese yuan surged on hopes for improved growth.

The improved global risk sentiment saw big gains across FX markets with the Australian and Canadian dollars, British pound and euro all setting new highs.

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### US







The EUR/USD touched 14month highs last month but spent most of September trading between 1.1000 and 1.1200. The ECB cuts rates for a second time last month. moderating EUR gains

UK

The GBP/USD hit 31-month highs as the BoE signalled it was less inclined to cut compared with peers. Market pricing now sees fewer BoE cuts (92bps) versus ECB (109bps) and Fed (139bps) over six months.



The Aussie led gains in September, perfectly positioned to benefit from both the Fed and China's moves. The AUD/USD broke out of its 2024 range of 0.6400 - 0.6800 and hit the highest level in 18 months.

# **Global economic outlook**



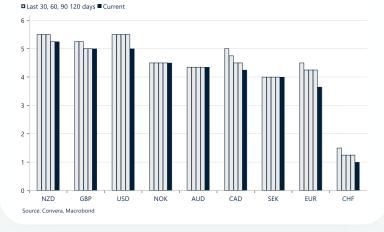
# Key market themes to watch

### Easing cycle gathers pace

Monetary easing is in full swing across regions, with most central banks that met in September cutting rates. But it was the Fed's out-sized 50bp cut that stood out. This has given investors the green light to push for more easing as early as November, with the probability of the Fed cutting another 50bp priced at around 50%. With inflation seemingly under control, the focus has shifted to supporting labor markets. Investors will continue to parse through macro data to gauge how much central banks will continue cutting interest rates this year and next.

More G10 central banks join the easing cycle

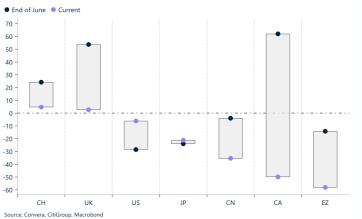
G10 central bank benchmark policy rates



### Macro backdrop is weakening

Although recession probabilities remain low, the anticipated rate of global growth has eased considerably since July and remains relatively subdued by historical standards. The recent string of economic data has come in worse than expected in most regions, raising concerns that central banks may be behind the curve when it comes to policy easing. The economic situation in Europe, namely Germany, is most alarming, and with growth momentum going into Q4 expected to remain feeble, bets of another ECB rate cut are on the rise.





### China's stimulus injects optimism

China picked up the baton from the Fed in supporting risk assets, with a wave of stimulus action. The central bank and financial regulators unveiled a raft of new policies aimed at bolstering China's struggling economy and fragile housing sector. The CSI 300 index of Chinese stocks surged nearly 16% to score its best week since 2008. But the positive spillover effects coursed through other markets too. Commodity prices, chiefly metals, surged higher, and currencies of commodity-exporting nations closely linked with China, like AUD, catapulted higher.

#### Investors are betting on a big turnaround

Chinese equity benchmarks - weekly change in %

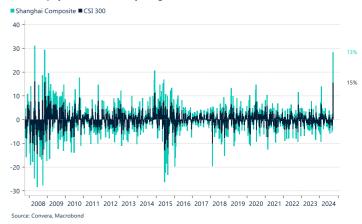


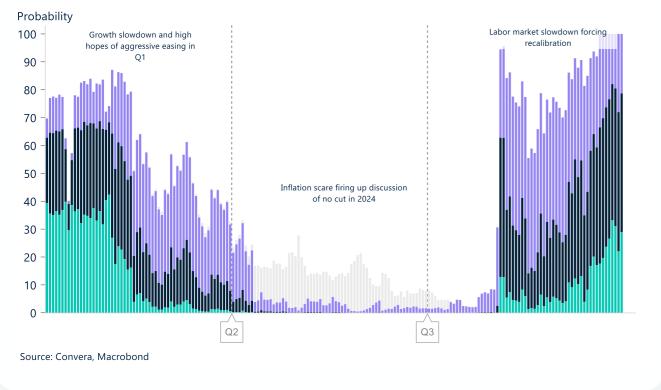
Chart sources: Convera, Macrobond – September 30, 2024

# Theme in focus: See-sawing easing expectations

### Fed narrative this year can be split into three periods

Federal Reserve. Priced in rate cuts for the total year (2024)

■ Six cuts ■ Five cuts ■ Four cuts ■ No cut



- Elevated macro uncertainty and unconditional data dependency have made for a volatile year in global monetary policy. Going into 2024, markets hoped that slowing growth and inflation would force the Fed to act quick and aggressive in lowering rates.
- However, three months (Q1) of above consensus inflation led to a sharp repricing of expectations, going as far as igniting debates about the Fed not cutting at all this year.
- Hawkish sentiment prevailed up until the beginning of August, when, in less than two months, a string of weak US labor market data forced both the Fed and markets to reconsider this newly found hawkishness. Indeed, the US easing cycle commenced with a jumbo 50-basis point cut, lowering the fed funds rate from a 23year high to 4.75% - 5.00%.
- Markets are wagering that another 50 to 75bp are on the table before the year is up, and that rates in the US will come down faster than in other countries, despite ongoing hopes of a soft landing.
- This picture continues to support the dollar bearish narrative that has seen the US dollar index touch a fresh 14-month low recently. However, the incompatibility of a soft-landing scenario accompanied by significant policy easing, coupled with the uncertainty about the upcoming US presidential election are the two main concerns for us right now that could challenge the weaker dollar outlook.

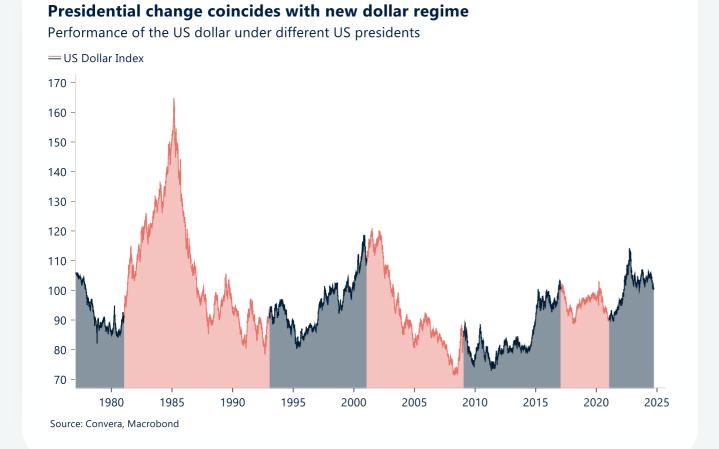
### Key market events to watch

October 2024



Source: Convera, Bloomberg – September 30, 2024

# **Event in focus: US election race**



- American voters are heading to the polls on November 5th in what will be the most important political event of the year. The big question is - will America get its first female president or a second Donald Trump term?
- As US election day approaches, we'll be keeping track of the polls and seeing what effect the campaign has on the race for the White House. The composition of the White House, Senate, and House of Representatives will be crucial for the domestic economy, world trade, and financial markets across the world.
- Most betting and polling odds are slightly favoring Democrat Vice-President Kamala Harris over Republican former President Donald Trump, though the Republicans are expected to take the Senate. Thus, a split Congress under Kamala Harris seems to be the most likely outcome as it stands, but of course the race remains incredibly tight and too close to call.
- Amidst this uncertainty, volatility might start picking up across financial markets and safe haven demand could support the US dollar. But we think the risk of a major FX regime change is high because the dollar has historically changed direction with every presidential cycle and has never been positive or negative for two consecutive presidential periods (four years). We note that the USD also displays a clear historic bias towards Republican presidents in the short term and Democrat presidents in the medium term. Moreover, the initial reaction following the election usually doesn't stick.



# **UK currency outlook**



# **GBP volatility analysis**



### Pound rallies to over two-year peaks vs. USD & EUR

Chart: GBP 30-day, year-to-date trading range

	Spot	High	Low	High	Low	w Trading range		Position within	the range
		30D		YTD		30D	YTD	30D	YTD
GBP/JPY	192.8	193.4	183.7	208.1	178.7	5.3%	16.5%	94%	48%
GBP/USD	1.332	1.343	1.300	1.343	1.23	3.3%	9.2%	74%	90%
GBP/ZAR	23.01	23.62	22.89	24.59	22.57	3.2%	8.9%	16%	22%
GBP/CHF	1.133	1.137	1.102	1.167	1.064	3.2%	9.7%	89%	67%
GBP/NOK	14.08	14.20	13.80	14.34	12.88	2.9%	11.3%	70%	82%
GBP/CAD	1.796	1.808	1.768	1.808	1.678	2.3%	7.7%	70%	91%
GBP/CNY	9.367	9.450	9.255	9.471	8.908	2.1%	6.3%	57%	82%
GBP/NZD	2.127	2.140	2.097	2.191	2.005	2.1%	9.3%	70%	66%
GBP/AUD	1.952	1.970	1.932	2.003	1.860	2.0%	7.7%	53%	64%
GBP/EUR	1.196	1.202	1.180	1.202	1.147	1.9%	4.8%	73%	89%

Source: Bloomberg, Convera – September 25, 2024

 GBP/USD surged to a new 31-month high above the \$1.34 handle and clocked its best Q3 performance since 2012. Widening rate differentials in favor of GBP, due to dovish Fed and more hawkish BoE, plus upbeat global risk appetite – drove sterling's gains. One-month implied volatility expectations remain above the YTD average, signaling investor angst going into October.

Increasing volatility

- GBP/EUR remains the least volatile amongst the top GBP FX pairs, swinging a mere 2% over the past month, but the pound popped to its highest over two-year vs. the euro, to breach €1.20 – a level it's only been above for 3% of the post-Brexit period.
- **GBP/AUD** was also relatively stable last month, swinging just 2%. This is due to both currencies having a high beta to risk – both benefiting when risk appetite improves. But also, because both the BoE and RBA remain the least dovish out of the cutting central bank clan.
- **GBP/JPY** staged the biggest moves once again though, swinging over 5% from high to low in September. Again, the low yielding yen benefited from the carry trade reversal, but the less hawkish Bank of Japan, coupled with unwinding of safe haven demand, hurt the yen in the end. Yet, the pair remains in the bottom half of its YTD trading range still.

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### **GBP value indicator**



### **GBP/USD** is ~8% above its 2-year average

Chart: GBP performance versus year-to-date, 1, 2, and 5-year averages

	Spot		Spo	ot vs	
	(As of 25.09.2024)	YTD average	1-year average	2-year average	5-year average
GBP/USD	1.341	<b>5.1%</b> Avg.: 1.275	<b>5.9%</b> Avg.: 1.266	<b>7.7%</b> Avg.: 1.245	<b>4.5%</b> Avg.: 1.283
GBP/CAD	1.801	<b>3.8%</b> Avg.: 1.735	<b>4.6%</b> Avg.: 1.722	<b>6.8%</b> Avg.: 1.686	<b>6.5%</b> Avg.: 1.691
GBP/CNY	9.435	<b>2.7%</b> Avg.: 9.187	<b>3.4%</b> Avg.: 9.128	<b>6.2%</b> Avg.: 8.881	<b>7.2%</b> Avg.: 8.800
GBP/EUR	1.199	<b>2.1%</b> Avg.: 1.173	<b>2.6%</b> Avg.: 1.168	<b>3.5%</b> Avg.: 1.158	<b>3.7%</b> Avg.: 1.156
GBP/NZD	2.115	<b>1.0%</b> Avg.: 2.093	<b>1.5%</b> Avg.: 2.083	<b>3.7%</b> Avg.: 2.040	<b>6.2%</b> Avg.: 1.992
GBP/AUD	1.946	<b>1.0%</b> Avg.: 1.927	<b>1.2%</b> Avg.: 1.922	<b>3.5%</b> Avg.: 1.880	<b>5.0%</b> Avg.: 1.852
GBP/CHF	1.131	<b>0.5%</b> Avg.: 1.125	<b>1.1%</b> Avg.: 1.118	<b>0.9%</b> Avg.: 1.121	<b>-4.5%</b> Avg.: 1.184
GBP/JPY	192.1	<b>-0.4%</b> Avg.: 192.9	<b>0.9%</b> Avg.: 190.4	<b>6.6%</b> Avg.: 180.2	<b>19.5%</b> Avg.: 160.7

Appreciation Depreciation

Source: Bloomberg, Convera – September 25, 2024

- The **British pound** scored its best Q3 performance against the USD and EUR in over decade. It also defied weak seasonal trends in September thanks to a more hawkish BoE compared to peers. As a result, GBP retains its status as the best performing G10 currency in 2024.
- Despite moderating economic growth, services inflation jumped back above 5.6% supporting the BoE's almost unanimous vote to keep Bank Rate unchanged at 5%, giving the pound a yield advantage over most peers.
- **GBP/USD** continues to climb to over fresh two-year highs and now sits almost 8% above its two-year average thanks to favoring rate differentials and improving global risk sentiment.
- GBP/EUR briefly plunged from €1.19 to €1.16 a month ago. However, the growth and yield differential still favours the UK over Europe, allowing the pound to climb all the way above €1.20 and almost 4% above it five-year average of €1.1560.
- **GBP/JPY** has switched from top to bottom of the pack as the yen has strengthened over 10% in Q3. But GBP/JPY is still almost 20% above its 50-year average.

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### **GBP/USD future scenarios**



#### Upside scenario: Global recovery & risk appetite

- UK economic recovery gathers pace. The BoE keeps interest rates elevated due to persistent services inflation, whilst US economy underperforms.
- Geopolitical risks recede and China's growth outlook improves, fueling increased demand for risk assets and hurting the safe haven USD.

### Central scenario: Policy easing cycle

- UK-US economic growth divergence narrows as UK recovery gathers steam.
- Both central banks embark on their easing cycles, but GBP retreats given the historically overstretched long positioning.

#### Downside scenario: UK recession & risk aversion

- Tighter credit conditions weigh on global economic growth, the housing market tumbles, and the safe haven dollar outperforms the "riskier" pound.
- BoE forced to cut interest rates as UK falls into recession, hurting GBP. Geopolitical risks and the US election inflate safe haven USD demand.

# **GBP/EUR future scenarios**



### Upside scenario: UK economic outperformance

- BoE keeps interest rates high for longer amid sticky inflation, whilst ECB is forced to cut rates sooner amid disinflationary impulse accelerating.
- Meanwhile, the Eurozone economic recovery falters further, whilst the UK economy continues to surprise stronger than expected.

#### **Central scenario:** Easing at different speeds

- Sticky inflation and strong UK growth pressures the BoE to keep rates high, widening the UK-EU rate differential and keeping the pair in and around €1.18-€1.19 zone.
- The main risk to this outlook is if the BoE is forced to cut rates more than markets are pricing in, given the current dovish pricing of the ECB.

#### **Downside scenario:** Global growth outlook weakens

- Tighter credit conditions globally weigh on global economic growth, the housing market tumbles, and the "riskier" pound is sold across the board.
- BoE eases policy rates as the headline inflation is at the 2% target, eroding sterling's yield advantage. EZ economy recovers, boosting EUR demand.



# **EU currency outlook**



# **EUR volatility analysis**



### EUR/JPY volatility climbs to a four-year high

Chart: EUR 30-day, year-to-date trading range

	Spot	High	Low	High	Low	Trading range		Position within	the range
		30D		YTD		30D	YTD	30D	YTD
EUR/JPY	160.1	162.8	155.1	175.4	154.4	5.0%	13.6%	65%	27%
EUR/AUD	1.622	1.664	1.618	1.718	1.599	2.8%	7.4%	9%	19%
EUR/NZD	1.763	1.802	1.761	1.864	1.739	2.3%	7.2%	5%	19%
EUR/CHF	0.942	0.950	0.930	0.993	0.921	2.2%	7.8%	60%	29%
EUR/GBP	0.833	0.849	0.831	0.870	0.831	2.2%	4.7%	11%	5%
EUR/CNY	7.867	7.978	7.816	7.978	7.655	2.1%	4.2%	31%	66%
EUR/USD	1.118	1.121	1.100	1.121	1.060	1.9%	5.8%	86%	95%
EUR/CAD	1.501	1.516	1.488	1.522	1.446	1.9%	5.3%	46%	72%
EUR/SEK	11.28	11.47	11.27	11.77	11.03	1.8%	6.7%	5%	34%
EUR/CZK	25.08	25.17	24.99	25.53	24.45	0.7%	4.4%	50%	58%

#### • **EUR/JPY one**-month realized volatility cooled from August highs, but nonetheless picked up towards the end of the month amid yen's rally on the back of Ishiba's victory for the PM seat.

Increasing volatility

- From five-month highs in August, **EUR/AUD** plunged over 4% in September as the high beta, commodity currency benefited from the announcement of the fresh China stimulus package.
- **EUR/USD** gained for a third consecutive month on the back of a jumbo Fed cut in September and signaling that the FOMC is willing to front-load its rate cutting cycle if the pace of US labor market deterioration exceeds projections. We expect the ECB to accelerate its easing cycle too, given the souring domestic backdrop as well as cooling inflation, the impact of which would cap euro's potential.
- **EUR/GBP** fell for the seventh consecutive month, plunging to the lowest level since April 2022. The one-month implied volatility, showing market implied volatility expectations, is on the rise given increased French political uncertainty.

Source: Bloomberg, Convera – September 25, 2024

# **EUR value indicator**

### Euro trading 4% above its two-year average versus US dollar

Chart: EUR performance versus year-to-date, 1, 2, and 5-year averages

	Spot		Spo	ot vs	
	(As of 25.09.2024)	YTD average	1-year average	2-year average	5-year average
EUR/USD	1.118	<b>2.9%</b> Avg.: 1.086	<b>3.2%</b> Avg.: 1.083	<b>4.0%</b> Avg.: 1.074	<b>0.7%</b> Avg.: 1.110
EUR/CAD	1.501	<b>1.6%</b> Avg.: 1.477	<b>1.8%</b> Avg.: 1.473	<b>3.1%</b> Avg.: 1.455	<b>2.6%</b> Avg.: 1.463
EUR/CZK	25.08	<b>0.0%</b> Avg.: 25.07	<b>0.6%</b> Avg.: 24.92	<b>2.6%</b> Avg.: 24.45	<b>-0.4%</b> Avg.: 25.17
EUR/NZD	1.763	<b>-1.1%</b> Avg.: 1.783	<b>-1.1%</b> Avg.: 1.783	<b>0.1%</b> Avg.: 1.760	<b>2.3%</b> Avg.: 1.723
EUR/AUD	1.622	<b>-1.2%</b> Avg.: 1.642	<b>-1.4%</b> Avg.: 1.644	<b>-0.1%</b> Avg.: 1.623	<b>1.2%</b> Avg.: 1.602
EUR/CHF	0.942	<b>-1.7%</b> Avg.: 0.958	<b>-1.6%</b> Avg.: 0.957	<b>-2.7%</b> Avg.: 0.968	<b>-8.1%</b> Avg.: 1.024
EUR/GBP	0.833	<b>-2.2%</b> Avg.: 0.851	<b>-2.7%</b> Avg.: 0.855	<b>-3.5%</b> Avg.: 0.863	- <b>3.7%</b> Avg.: 0.865
EUR/JPY	160.1	<b>-2.6%</b> Avg.: 164.3	<b>-1.7%</b> Avg.: 162.9	<b>3.0%</b> Avg.: 155.4	15.3% Avg.: 138.8

Appreciation 🔵 Depreciation

Source: Bloomberg, Convera – September 25, 2024

 The broad **Euro index** gained for a second consecutive month, appreciating 0.1% in September, driven by gains versus the North American G10 currencies and the Swiss franc.

- **EUR/USD** is currently trading over 3% above its YTD, one-year and two-year moving averages. While the euro has legs to potentially test the 30-month range ceiling around mid-\$1.12 (the July 2023 high), the momentum has significantly slowed. From a fundamental perspective, having peaked in May, Eurozone economic momentum continues to weaken, and headline inflation continues to cool, challenging the relatively hawkish stance of the ECB. Alongside buckling fundamentals, the two-month outlook for the euro remains bearish due to lingering political risks in both the Eurozone and the US. In times of uncertainty, the dollar tends to benefit via the safe haven channel.
- It appears that EUR/CHF may have found its near term bottom. The pair continues to trade below its short and long-term moving averages but has recorded its first positive month of gains since April.
- **EUR/CAD** continues to trade over 3% above its twoyear moving average amid dovish BoC expectations. The pair has climbed towards the C\$1.52 level for the first time in over three-years, but the momentum is showing signs of exhaustion, fueled by dovish ECB repricing.

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### **EUR/USD future scenarios**



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### Upside scenario: EZ economy recovers, US exceptionalism fades

- Economic growth across the Eurozone picks up in H2, while the US economy's growth continues to slow.
- Renewed risk sentiment supports pro-cyclical euro over the dollar.

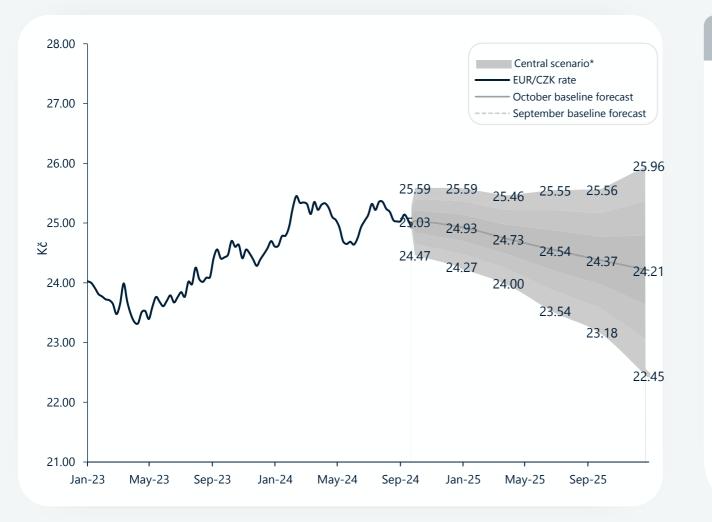
### Central scenario: USD supported by safe haven flows

- EUR/USD pulls back from the one-year high given stretched momentum indicators and deteriorating EZ economic fundamentals.
- Lingering political risks in Eurozone and the upcoming US presidential election in November support the US dollar via safe haven flows.

#### Downside scenario: Eurozone falls into a recession

- The Eurozone economy falls into a recession as economic recovery in Germany fails to materialize. The ECB forced to cut rates more aggressively to support the common bloc.
- Having delivered a 50bps cut in September, the Fed cuts more gradually than priced in by the market amid lingering upside risks to inflation.

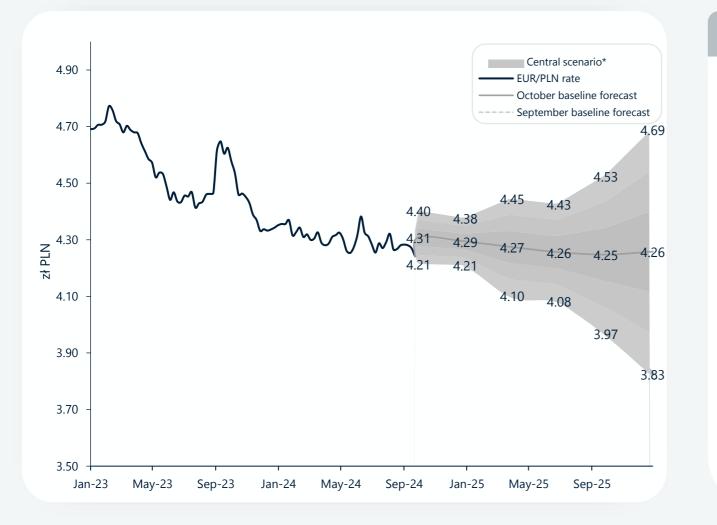
### **EUR/CZK future scenarios**



#### Central scenario: China stimulus gives EM FX a boost

- The Czech National Bank reduced its key interest rate by 25 basis points to 4.25% during its September meeting, aligning with market expectations. This marks another phase in a series of rate cuts, following a peak of 7% in December 2023.
- The decision was influenced by a decline in domestic inflationary risks and growing concerns over the global economic outlook, reinforcing the case for further monetary easing. Despite consumer price growth hovering near the 2% target throughout the year, some board members remain cautious about lingering inflationary pressures in the services and housing sectors.
- Going forward, interest rate decisions will be shaped by several factors, including the persistence of the low-inflation environment, the performance of the koruna exchange rate, the influence of fiscal policy on the economy, labor market conditions, domestic and foreign demand trends, and the actions of major foreign central banks.
- **Upside risks**: The ECB cuts more gradually as services inflation remains sticky.
- **Downside risks**: ECB joins the Fed in front-loading its easing cycle. Meanwhile, CNB postpones further rate cuts as inflation reheats.

### **EUR/PLN future scenarios**





### Central scenario: No NBP cuts in '24

- The National Bank of Poland kept its benchmark reference rate unchanged for the tenth meeting at 5.75% in September, aligning with market expectations. The Lombard and deposit rates were also held at 6.25% and 5.25%, respectively.
- Preliminary estimates show that the country's inflation rate increased to 4.3% in August 2024, up from 4.2% in July, marking an eight-month high and signaling a trend of accelerating inflation. However, economic growth in Q2 2024 surpassed expectations, expanding by 1.5%, fueled by robust household consumption and a rise in investments.
- In July, central bank governor Glapinski indicated that rate cuts were unlikely before 2026, but last month he hinted that an earlier easing of monetary policy is not ruled out.
- **Upside risks**: Inflation in Poland cools, prompting the NBP to cut once towards the end of the year, taking away from PLN appeal. EUR/PLN trends higher as rate differentials improve marginally to favor the euro.
- **Downside risks**: the ECB cuts rates more aggressively amid growth risks and colling inflation while the NBP leaves the rates unchanged throughout 2024.



# **APAC currency outlook**



# **APAC volatility analysis**



Increasing volatility

### Yen turbulence drives regional fluctuations

Chart: AUD performance versus year-to-date, 1, 2, and 5-year averages

	Spot	High	Low	High	Low	Trading	g range	Position withir	n the range
		30D		YTD		30D	YTD	30D	YTD
AUD/JPY	98.77	99.86	93.59	109.3	90.15	6.7%	21.2%	83%	45%
AUD/USD	0.682	0.690	0.662	0.690	0.635	4.2%	8.7%	71%	85%
NZD/USD	0.626	0.635	0.610	0.635	0.585	4.1%	8.5%	64%	<mark>8</mark> 2%
AUD/CNY	4.804	4.853	4.714	4.934	4.527	2.9%	9.0%	65%	68%
AUD/EUR	0.612	0.617	0.601	0.625	0.582	2.7%	7.4%	69%	70%
NZD/EUR	0.562	0.567	0.554	0.575	0.536	2.3%	7.3%	62%	67%
USD/SGD	1.289	1.309	1.282	1.367	1.282	2.1%	6.6%	26%	8%
AUD/GBP	0.512	0.517	0.507	0.539	0.499	2.0%	8.0%	50%	33%
USD/CNY	7.030	7.135	7.012	7.277	7.012	1.8%	3.8%	15%	7%
NZD/AUD	0.917	0.927	0.913	0.946	0.894	1.5%	5.8%	29%	44%

Source: Bloomberg, Convera – September 26, 2024

- The **AUD/JPY** pair has exhibited an unprecedented 21.2% year-to-date trading range, underscoring the yen's position as the focal point of APAC currency turbulence.
- With an 8.7% year-to-date range, **AUD/USD** reflects the impact of domestic economic indicators and evolving global market sentiment.
- Emerging as the third most volatile pair in the APAC space, **NZD/USD** has shown an 8.5% year-to-date range, indicating heightened sensitivity to global economic factors.
- **AUD/GBP**'s 8.0% year-to-date range highlights the complex interplay of diverging monetary policies and economic performance between Australia and the UK.
- In contrast to regional trends, USD/CNY exhibited the lowest volatility with a 3.8% year-to-date range, suggesting effective management by the People's Bank of China.

### **APAC value indicator**

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### **Divergent trends in Antipodean and Asian currencies**

Chart: AUD performance versus year-to-date, 1, 2, and 5-year averages

	Spot		Spo	ot vs	
	(As of 26.09.2024)	YTD average	1-year average	2-year average	5-year average
AUD/USD	0.682	<b>3.0%</b> Avg.: 0.661	<b>3.5%</b> Avg.: 0.658	<b>2.9%</b> Avg.: 0.662	<b>-1.7%</b> Avg.: 0.693
AUD/CAD	0.920	<b>2.2%</b> Avg.: 0.900	<b>2.6%</b> Avg.: 0.896	<b>2.5%</b> Avg.: 0.897	<b>0.7%</b> Avg.: 0.913
AUD/CNY	4.804	<b>0.8%</b> Avg.: 4.765	<b>1.2%</b> Avg.: 4.748	<b>1.7%</b> Avg.: 4.722	<b>1.1%</b> Avg.: 4.751
AUD/EUR	0.612	<b>0.5%</b> Avg.: 0.609	<b>0.7%</b> Avg.: 0.608	<b>-0.7%</b> Avg.: 0.616	<b>-2.1%</b> Avg.: 0.624
AUD/NZD	1.089	<b>0.3%</b> Avg.: 1.086	<b>0.4%</b> Avg.: 1.084	<b>0.4%</b> Avg.: 1.084	<b>1.2%</b> Avg.: 1.075
AUD/SGD	0.880	<b>-0.7%</b> Avg.: 0.885	<b>-0.5%</b> Avg.: 0.883	<b>-1.4%</b> Avg.: 0.892	<b>-6.6%</b> Avg.: 0.941
AUD/GBP	0.512	<b>-1.3%</b> Avg.: 0.518	<b>-1.6%</b> Avg.: 0.520	<b>-3.8%</b> Avg.: 0.532	<b>-5.3%</b> Avg.: 0.540
AUD/JPY	98.77	<b>-1.3%</b> Avg.: 100.0	<b>-0.3%</b> Avg.: 99.07	<b>3.2%</b> Avg.: 95.74	13.8% Avg.: 86.76

Appreciation Depreciation

Source: Bloomberg, Convera – September 26, 2024

- While showing short-term strength at 3.5% above its one-year average, **AUD/USD** remains 1.7% below its five-year mean, indicating longer-term pressures on the Australian dollar.
- **AUD/CAD** exhibits strength, trading 2.6% above its one-year average, pointing to the Australian dollar's relative outperformance among commodity currencies.
- **AUD/NZD** demonstrates strength, trading 0.4% above its one-year average, suggesting a degree of resilience in the AUD.
- **AUD/SGD** shows significant weakness, trading 6.6% below its five-year average, suggesting persistent headwinds for the Aussie against Asian currencies.
- **AUD/JPY** stands out with a dramatic 13.8% appreciation against its five-year average, reflecting widening yield differentials.

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# **AUD/USD future scenarios**





### Upside scenario: Australian inflation remains high

- The Australian government plans to boost growth prospects by compensating for cost savings with another significant fiscal easing.
- US inflation slows down faster than anticipated, lowering expectations for terminal rates, and boosting risk assets like the AUD.

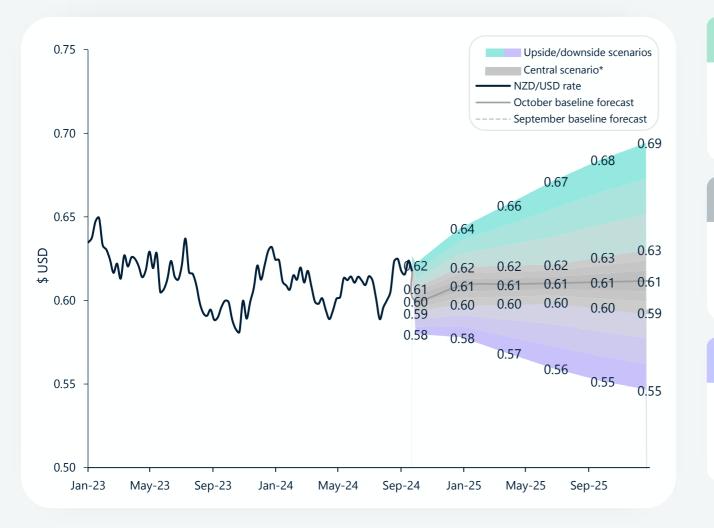
#### Central scenario: Greenback recovers

- The Australian dollar might rise in response to the Reserve Bank of Australia's resistance to a worldwide cycle of rate cuts.
- Although the RBA may hold steady in coming meetings, US rates are likely to remain above Australian rates, capping growth in the AUD/USD.

#### Downside scenario: Financial system stress

- The regional financial system could see stress due to structural problems in Chinese real estate that turn into a bigger shock.
- Higher-for-longer global policy outlook starts to put pressure on credit markets.

### NZD/USD future scenarios



#### Upside scenario: Higher local asset returns

- A more ambitious agenda of tax cuts and deregulation, which increase local asset returns, is advanced by the new government.
- The likelihood of soft landing globally is boosted by sharply lower US inflation

#### **Central scenario:** NZD susceptible to risk-off events

- NZD is still susceptible to any global risk-off events, even if China surprises to the upside.
- A slowdown in growth means commodities remain under pressure with dairy prices key for NZD.

#### Downside scenario: More aggressive RBNZ easing

- Housing arrears exacerbate the decline in consumption and increase in unemployment, posing a danger to financial stability.
- When the RBNZ begins to ease, domestic growth stagnates and a more aggressive policy response is pursued,

# **USD/CNY future scenarios**



### **Upside scenario:** Higher PBoC tolerance for a yuan that is weaker

- Higher PBoC tolerance for a yuan that is weaker
- Geopolitical unrest intensifies

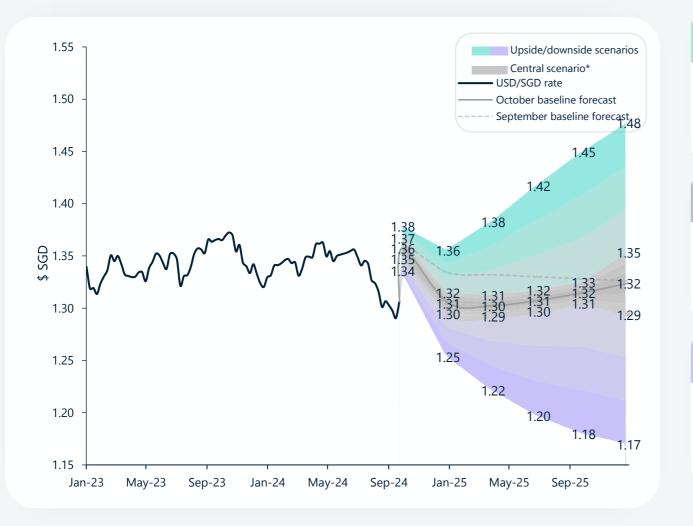
#### **Central scenario:** China recovery improves

- The Chinese government's recent supportive action to the local economy could see the CNY strengthen.
- Once the Fed confirms a cut in rates, the US dollar might ease.

**Downside scenario:** Larger-than-expected stimulus from PBoC

- Larger-than-expected stimulus from PBoC.
- The USD could fall if the Fed is forced to cut official interest rates to support the US economy.

# **USD/SGD future scenarios**



#### Upside scenario: Global sell-off hits risk

- US equities could turn from higher levels, causing safe-haven FX like the US dollar to gain.
- SGD NEER trades in the top half of the band and pose downside risks to SGD.

#### **Central scenario:** Global growth remains underwhelming

- Global trade is likely disappointing as Chinese growth remains sluggish, keeping the USD/SGD near recent highs.
- The USD rises as risk aversion comes to the fore

#### Downside scenario: Fed cuts – and fast

- USD might weaken if the Fed is forced to cut official interest rates as the US economy slows.
- An improving global growth outlook could help trade and the SGD.



# NAM currency outlook



# NAM volatility analysis



### US dollar index hits July 2023 low

Chart: NAM 30-day, year-to-date trading range

	Spot	High	Low	High	Low	Tradin	g range	Position within	the range
		30D		YTD		30D	YTD	30D	YTD
USD/MXN	19.33	20.14	19.06	20.21	16.26	5.7%	24.3%	25%	<mark>7</mark> 8%
USD/JPY	143.2	147.2	139.5	161.9	139.5	5.5%	16.1%	48%	17%
AUD/USD	0.689	0.690	0.662	0.690	0.635	4.2%	8.7%	96%	98%
NZD/USD	0.634	0.635	0.610	0.635	0.585	4.1%	8.5%	96%	98%
GBP/USD	1.341	1.343	1.300	1.343	1.23	3.3%	9.2%	95%	98%
USD/CHF	0.843	0.855	0.837	0.922	0.837	2.2%	10.2%	33%	7%
EUR/USD	1.118	1.121	1.100	1.121	1.060	1.9%	5.8%	<mark>86</mark> %	95%
EUR/CAD	1.501	1.516	1.488	1.522	1.446	1.9%	5.3%	46%	72%
USD/CNY	7.020	7.135	7.016	7.277	7.016	1.7%	3.7%	3%	2%
USD/CAD	1.343	1.364	1.342	1.394	1.322	1.6%	5.4%	5%	29%

#### • In September, the **US dollar index** sunk to its lowest level since July 2023 as the Fed kicked off its easing cycle by cutting the Fed fuds rate by 50bps for the first time in four years. Despite the dot plot indicating further 50bps is on the agenda over the remaining two meetings, money markets price in a little under three guarter point rate cuts.

Increasing volatility

- At the start of September, **USD/MXN** climbed to a near two-year high. Realized volatility has cooled from four-year highs but remains elevated.
- **JPY** was the best performing currency against the US dollar in the G10 complex, clocking in a close to 2% in September.
- Despite increased wagers of back-to-back BoC cuts given the successful progress on the inflation front and signs of the central bank to step up its easing cycle, the **Canadian dollar** appreciated to an eightmonth high, breaking past the C\$1.35 level. Onemonth realized volatility continues to rise, but remains below the YTD average of 4.7% (ann.)

Source: Bloomberg, Convera – September 25, 2024

# **NAM value indicator**

### USD/JPY over 5% below its YTD average amid the carry trade unwind

Chart: NAM performance versus year-to-date, 1, 2, and 5-year averages

Appreciation 🔵 Depreciation

	Spot		Spc	ot vs	
	(As of 25.09.2024)	YTD average	1-year average	2-year average	5-year average
USD/MXN	19.33	<b>9.3%</b> Avg.: 17.68	<b>9.5%</b> Avg.: 17.65	<b>7.5%</b> Avg.: 17.98	<b>-1.1%</b> Avg.: 19.54
GBP/USD	1.341	<b>5.1%</b> Avg.: 1.275	<b>5.9%</b> Avg.: 1.266	<b>7.7%</b> Avg.: 1.245	<b>4.5%</b> Avg.: 1.283
AUD/USD	0.689	<b>4.1%</b> Avg.: 0.661	<b>4.6%</b> Avg.: 0.658	<b>4.0%</b> Avg.: 0.662	<b>-0.7%</b> Avg.: 0.693
NZD/USD	0.634	<b>4.0%</b> Avg.: 0.609	<b>4.3%</b> Avg.: 0.607	<b>3.8%</b> Avg.: 0.610	<b>-1.8%</b> Avg.: 0.645
EUR/USD	1.118	<b>2.9%</b> Avg.: 1.086	<b>3.2%</b> Avg.: 1.083	<b>4.0%</b> Avg.: 1.074	<b>0.7%</b> Avg.: 1.110
EUR/CAD	1.501	<b>1.6%</b> Avg.: 1.477	<b>1.8%</b> Avg.: 1.473	<b>3.1%</b> Avg.: 1.455	<b>2.6%</b> Avg.: 1.463
USD/CAD	1.343	<b>-1.3%</b> Avg.: 1.360	<b>-1.3%</b> Avg.: 1.360	<b>-0.9%</b> Avg.: 1.354	<b>1.8%</b> Avg.: 1.319
USD/JPY	143.2	<b>-5.3%</b> Avg.: 151.2	<b>-4.8%</b> Avg.: 150.3	<b>-1.0%</b> Avg.: 144.6	<b>13.9%</b> Avg.: 125.7

Source: Bloomberg, Convera – September 25, 2024

- The US dollar index declined for the third consecutive month as the market continues to price in the bottom of the dollar smile, a net negative environment for the Greenback. With rising market volatility and persistent geopolitical and trade risks, along with US election in November, the dollar's safe haven status may help the Greenback recoup some of its recent losses.
- Amid the newly found gains, **EUR/USD** is currently trading over 3% above its one-year and two-year moving averages. With \$1.12 proving a hard barrier to breach, and from here on, the momentum may ease given the looming French political risks and the US presidential election.
- **EUR/CAD** is trading above the short and long C\$1.50 term moving average amid dovish BoC pricing. Nonetheless, the pair is showing signs of loosing steam as C\$1.50-\$1.52 is proving hard to sustain on the back of mounting dovish ECB rate cuts for the upcoming October meeting.
- The UD dollar underperformed against the high beta commodity backed currencies, especially AUD and NZD, thanks to widening interest rate differentials as well as the newly announced Chinese stimulus.

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# **USD/CAD** future scenarios



### Upside scenario: Dovish BoC, cautious Fed

- Confident with inflation diffusion progress, the BoC signals more easing, increasing the US dollar's interest rate advantage.
- As US inflation proves sticky, prompting investors to price out aggressive Fed rate cut bets in the near-term and 2025.

#### Central scenario: Fed cuts rates gradually

- Fed cuts further 50bps by year end amid lingering upside risks to inflation, despite weakening US labour market.
- The BoC accelerates its policy easing cycle, encouraged by Fed's 50bps cut in September.

#### Downside scenario: US labor market deteriorates

- Fed forced to deliver an aggressive cutting cycle as US labor market weakens, reducing the US dollar interest rate differential advantage.
- The BoC adopts a conservative approach to monetary easing as economy shows signs of recovery.

# **International strategy**



### **Considerations for global businesses**



### **Currency volatility**

What if we continue to see material 5-10% shifts in your key exchange rates, or your target rate stays at levels significantly above or below your budgeted level?

### **Risk management**

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### Geopolitics

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# Appendix





	Scenarios	2024 Q3	2024 Q4	2025 Q1	2025 Q2	2025 Q3	2025 Q4	2026 Q1	2026 Q2	2026 Q3	2026 Q4	2027 Q1
	High	1.315	1.356	1.375	1.402	1.426	1.446	1.462	1.472	1.478	1.482	1.486
	Baseline + $\sigma$	1.303	1.307	1.311	1.312	1.324	1.337	1.341	1.354	1.368	1.382	1.386
GBP/USD	Baseline	1.283	1.297	1.291	1.292	1.294	1.297	1.301	1.304	1.308	1.312	1.316
	Baseline - σ	1.263	1.287	1.271	1.272	1.264	1.257	1.261	1.254	1.248	1.242	1.246
	Low	1.250	1.239	1.207	1.182	1.162	1.148	1.139	1.137	1.139	1.143	1.146
	High	1.236	1.290	1.346	1.404	1.455	1.494	1.521	1.534	1.535	1.531	1.528
	Baseline + $\sigma$	1.213	1.207	1.216	1.215	1.237	1.261	1.260	1.281	1.303	1.324	1.322
GBP/EUR	Baseline	1.182	1.185	1.185	1.184	1.184	1.185	1.184	1.182	1.181	1.179	1.177
	Baseline - σ	1.150	1.162	1.153	1.152	1.130	1.108	1.107	1.082	1.058	1.033	1.031
	Low	1.130	1.087	1.042	0.999	0.965	0.939	0.921	0.911	0.908	0.908	0.908
	High	207.8	217.4	221.0	225.1	228.5	231.0	232.5	233.0	232.4	231.5	230.8
	Baseline + $\sigma$	197.4	201.2	199.5	200.1	201.6	201.0	201.2	206.0	209.5	212.0	213.1
GBP/JPY	Baseline	189.6	192.7	190.1	187.9	186.0	184.4	183.1	182.0	181.1	180.3	179.6
	Baseline - σ	181.7	184.1	180.6	175.6	170.3	167.7	164.9	157.9	152.6	148.5	146.0
	Low	172.1	169.4	161.4	154.1	147.8	143.0	139.5	137.2	136.1	135.5	134.9
	High	1.201	1.261	1.313	1.359	1.399	1.429	1.450	1.460	1.461	1.460	1.458
	Baseline + $\sigma$	1.158	1.177	1.193	1.193	1.202	1.237	1.236	1.245	1.238	1.246	1.244
GBP/CHF	Baseline	1.128	1.143	1.149	1.149	1.149	1.149	1.148	1.147	1.145	1.144	1.142
	Baseline - σ	1.097	1.108	1.104	1.104	1.095	1.060	1.059	1.048	1.051	1.041	1.039
	Low	1.057	1.031	0.996	0.956	0.924	0.899	0.882	0.871	0.867	0.866	0.865



	Scenarios	2024 Q3	2024 Q4	2025 Q1	2025 Q2	2025 Q3	2025 Q4	2026 Q1	2026 Q2	2026 Q3	2026 Q4	2027 Q1
	High	1.106	1.139	1.158	1.182	1.204	1.222	1.236	1.247	1.253	1.258	1.263
	Baseline + $\sigma$	1.095	1.105	1.1	1.1	1.112	1.125	1.128	1.143	1.158	1.172	1.177
EUR/USD	Baseline	1.085	1.095	1.09	1.090	1.092	1.095	1.098	1.103	1.108	1.112	1.117
	Baseline - $\sigma$	1.075	1.085	1.08	1.08	1.072	1.065	1.068	1.063	1.058	1.052	1.057
	Low	1.064	1.050	1.021	0.998	0.980	0.967	0.960	0.959	0.962	0.967	0.972
	High	0.884	0.919	0.959	1.000	1.036	1.064	1.084	1.097	1.100	1.100	1.101
	Baseline + $\sigma$	0.866	0.857	0.863	0.863	0.878	0.892	0.893	0.909	0.924	0.940	0.942
EUR/GBP	Baseline	0.845	0.843	0.843	0.843	0.843	0.843	0.844	0.845	0.846	0.847	0.849
	Baseline - $\sigma$	0.823	0.828	0.822	0.822	0.807	0.793	0.794	0.780	0.767	0.753	0.755
	Low	0.808	0.774	0.742	0.712	0.687	0.668	0.657	0.651	0.651	0.652	0.654
	High	1.010	1.060	1.105	1.146	1.180	1.207	1.226	1.237	1.239	1.239	1.239
	Baseline + $\sigma$	0.973	0.994	1.000	1.000	1.010	1.040	1.040	1.049	1.048	1.056	1.057
EUR/CHF	Baseline	0.954	0.964	0.970	0.970	0.970	0.969	0.969	0.969	0.970	0.969	0.970
	Baseline - $\sigma$	0.934	0.933	0.939	0.939	0.929	0.897	0.897	0.888	0.891	0.881	0.882
	Low	0.900	0.874	0.843	0.808	0.779	0.758	0.743	0.735	0.733	0.733	0.733
	High	8.162	8.532	8.894	9.276	9.583	9.820	9.986	10.08	10.09	10.08	10.08
	Baseline + $\sigma$	7.989	8.019	8.034	8.115	8.235	8.311	8.394	8.542	8.631	8.710	8.702
EUR/CNY	Baseline	7.884	7.903	7.907	7.922	7.913	7.904	7.897	7.891	7.882	7.875	7.868
	Baseline - σ	7.778	7.786	7.779	7.728	7.590	7.496	7.399	7.239	7.132	7.039	7.033
	Low	7.610	7.298	6.978	6.675	6.403	6.196	6.052	5.969	5.942	5.936	5.930



	Scenarios	2024 Q3	2024 Q4	2025 Q1	2025 Q2	2025 Q3	2025 Q4	2026 Q1	2026 Q2	2026 Q3	2026 Q4	2027 Q1
	High	422.9	444.7	467.3	490.4	511.1	529.1	544.2	554.7	558.6	559.9	561.2
	Baseline + $\sigma$	403.0	403.7	402.6	404.0	410.1	426.4	429.1	440.1	451.2	460.0	463.0
EUR/HUF	Baseline	394.1	392.5	391.3	390.0	389.5	390.8	393.7	396.9	398.7	399.7	400.6
	Baseline - $\sigma$	385.1	381.2	379.9	375.9	368.8	355.1	358.2	353.6	346.1	339.3	338.1
	Low	376.9	359.1	342.2	325.6	312.5	304.1	300.0	299.0	299.7	300.5	301.3
	High	26.50	27.41	28.23	29.08	29.80	30.32	30.64	30.75	30.66	30.51	30.36
	Baseline + $\sigma$	25.57	25.57	25.46	25.54	25.56	25.95	25.75	25.84	25.92	26.05	25.91
EUR/CZK	Baseline	25.02	24.92	24.73	24.54	24.37	24.20	24.05	23.90	23.75	23.62	23.49
	Baseline - $\sigma$	24.46	24.26	23.99	23.53	23.17	22.44	22.34	21.95	21.57	21.18	21.06
	Low	23.59	22.55	21.45	20.39	19.49	18.78	18.25	17.90	17.72	17.60	17.49
	High	23.95	24.05	24.37	24.59	24.74	24.81	24.77	24.65	24.46	24.24	24.04
	Baseline + $\sigma$	23.36	23.15	23.14	23.21	22.98	23.07	22.81	22.59	22.38	22.21	22
USD/CZK	Baseline	23.06	22.76	22.68	22.50	22.31	22.10	21.88	21.65	21.43	21.22	21.01
	Baseline - $\sigma$	22.76	22.37	22.22	21.79	21.64	21.13	20.95	20.71	20.48	20.23	20.02
	Low	22.17	21.47	20.99	20.41	19.87	19.40	19.00	18.66	18.41	18.19	17.99
	High	4.135	4.151	4.216	4.263	4.306	4.349	4.382	4.396	4.396	4.387	4.366
	Baseline + $\sigma$	4.02	3.961	4.041	4.022	4.068	4.168	4.161	4.158	4.155	4.166	4.155
USD/PLN	Baseline	3.970	3.921	3.921	3.902	3.888	3.888	3.891	3.888	3.885	3.876	3.855
	Baseline - $\sigma$	3.92	3.881	3.801	3.782	3.708	3.608	3.621	3.618	3.615	3.586	3.555
	Low	3.806	3.691	3.626	3.542	3.470	3.427	3.399	3.380	3.374	3.365	3.344



	Scenarios	2024 Q3	2024 Q4	2025 Q1	2025 Q2	2025 Q3	2025 Q4	2026 Q1	2026 Q2	2026 Q3	2026 Q4	2027 Q1
	High	0.689	0.701	0.715	0.731	0.748	0.766	0.786	0.807	0.824	0.838	0.852
	Baseline + $\sigma$	0.675	0.674	0.677	0.678	0.685	0.692	0.711	0.724	0.742	0.759	0.774
AUD/USD	Baseline	0.667	0.666	0.664	0.665	0.668	0.674	0.683	0.695	0.707	0.718	0.727
	Baseline - $\sigma$	0.658	0.657	0.650	0.651	0.650	0.655	0.654	0.665	0.671	0.676	0.679
	Low	0.647	0.634	0.621	0.611	0.604	0.602	0.604	0.611	0.619	0.627	0.635
	High	0.647	0.668	0.699	0.732	0.763	0.792	0.818	0.841	0.856	0.866	0.876
	Baseline + $\sigma$	0.627	0.620	0.631	0.631	0.636	0.635	0.658	0.660	0.670	0.680	0.694
AUD/EUR	Baseline	0.615	0.608	0.610	0.610	0.612	0.616	0.622	0.630	0.638	0.645	0.651
	Baseline - $\sigma$	0.602	0.595	0.588	0.588	0.587	0.596	0.585	0.599	0.605	0.609	0.607
	Low	0.585	0.556	0.536	0.516	0.502	0.492	0.489	0.489	0.494	0.498	0.502
	High	1.188	1.214	1.257	1.307	1.356	1.403	1.449	1.491	1.523	1.548	1.572
	Baseline + $\sigma$	1.140	1.128	1.132	1.133	1.150	1.166	1.204	1.239	1.275	1.311	1.345
AUD/NZD	Baseline	1.112	1.094	1.090	1.091	1.094	1.102	1.116	1.134	1.152	1.168	1.183
	Baseline - $\sigma$	1.083	1.059	1.047	1.048	1.037	1.037	1.027	1.028	1.028	1.024	1.020
	Low	1.041	0.985	0.945	0.909	0.883	0.867	0.861	0.864	0.873	0.884	0.893
	High	5.085	5.255	5.491	5.738	5.957	6.161	6.353	6.522	6.639	6.723	6.801
	Baseline + $\sigma$	4.934	4.900	4.954	5.009	5.084	5.118	5.294	5.413	5.533	5.637	5.731
AUD/CNY	Baseline	4.849	4.809	4.824	4.838	4.845	4.869	4.915	4.974	5.032	5.080	5.124
	Baseline - $\sigma$	4.763	4.717	4.693	4.666	4.605	4.619	4.535	4.534	4.530	4.522	4.516
	Low	4.628	4.405	4.244	4.085	3.947	3.855	3.809	3.801	3.824	3.850	3.874



	Scenarios	2024 Q3	2024 Q4	2025 Q1	2025 Q2	2025 Q3	2025 Q4	2026 Q1	2026 Q2	2026 Q3	2026 Q4	2027 Q1
USD/CAD	High	1.394	1.434	1.471	1.494	1.509	1.519	1.526	1.530	1.529	1.526	1.525
	Baseline + $\sigma$	1.379	1.389	1.396	1.398	1.388	1.379	1.383	1.389	1.386	1.393	1.392
	Baseline	1.369	1.379	1.386	1.378	1.368	1.359	1.353	1.349	1.346	1.343	1.342
	Baseline - $\sigma$	1.359	1.369	1.376	1.358	1.348	1.339	1.323	1.309	1.306	1.293	1.292
	Low	1.344	1.324	1.300	1.263	1.227	1.199	1.180	1.168	1.163	1.161	1.159
USD/MXN	High	20.70	21.92	22.58	23.16	23.67	24.08	24.39	24.61	24.72	24.82	24.92
	Baseline + $\sigma$	19.75	20.33	20.41	20.46	20.8	21.19	21.41	21.63	21.71	21.79	21.87
	Baseline	18.93	19.64	19.79	19.87	19.95	20.03	20.11	20.19	20.27	20.36	20.46
	Baseline - $\sigma$	18.11	18.95	19.17	19.28	19.1	18.87	18.81	18.75	18.83	18.93	19.05
	Low	18.00	18.42	18.27	18.05	17.88	17.76	17.70	17.71	17.76	17.86	17.96
USD/JPY	High	157.9	160.3	160.6	160.5	160.1	159.6	159.0	158.2	157.2	156.2	155.3
	Baseline + $\sigma$	151.5	153.8	152.0	152.5	152.2	150.2	150.0	151.9	153	153.3	153.7
	Baseline	147.8	148.5	147.1	145.4	143.7	142.1	140.7	139.4	138.3	137.3	136.4
	Baseline - $\sigma$	144.0	143.1	142.1	138.2	135.1	133.9	131.3	126.8	123.6	121.3	119.0
	Low	137.6	136.7	133.7	130.4	127.2	124.6	122.4	120.7	119.5	118.5	117.6
USD/CNY	High	7.379	7.486	7.679	7.845	7.958	8.035	8.076	8.081	8.053	8.016	7.980
	Baseline + $\sigma$	7.295	7.257	7.304	7.374	7.404	7.388	7.437	7.471	7.452	7.425	7.389
	Baseline	7.265	7.217	7.254	7.264	7.244	7.218	7.187	7.151	7.112	7.075	7.039
	Baseline - $\sigma$	7.235	7.177	7.204	7.154	7.084	7.048	6.937	6.831	6.772	6.725	6.689
	Low	7.150	6.948	6.829	6.684	6.530	6.401	6.298	6.221	6.172	6.134	6.099

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