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Next Week's Risk Dashboard

- US core CPI may reaccelerate
- French election could impact risk appetite to start the week...
- ...as French parties circle the wagons on Le Pen
- US bank earnings season commences
- Powell testimony will be stale on arrival
- CPI: China, India, Mexico, Chile, Colombia, Brazil
- RBNZ expected to remain hawkish
- BoK may sound more open to nearer term easing
- Bank Negara likely to remain on hold
- BCRP has a solid case to extend its pause

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Chart of the Week

US Services Inflation Still Has High Breadth

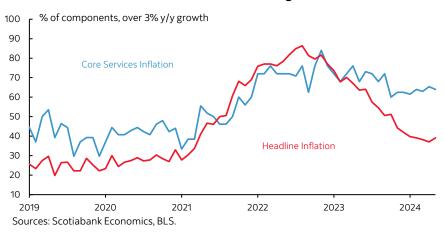


Chart of the Week: Prepared by: Jaykumar Parmar, Economic Analyst.

Human Error

The key question overhanging global financial markets this week will be evidence on whether the soft patch in US inflation during May was...dare we say the word...tttttransitory. There is significant reason to believe so. Chair Powell's two rounds of Congressional testimony could be stale on arrival as they will be delivered before the figures arrive.

Before we get to all of that, the immediate focus to the start of the week will be upon France's second round elections and the potential market aftermath and now that the UK election is out of the way. If National Rally performs poorly following strategic efforts by other parties to contain its rise, then markets will probably rejoice. If not, then uncertainty premia will rise and it could be a bumpy start for risk appetite to start the week.

Lurking in the background is ongoing speculation that President Biden may abscond from the race to November despite his recent rebuttals, in which case the polls are showing that only the one Democrat who doesn't want the job would stand a decent chance at beating Trump (chart 1).

Unforced political errors are therefore looming large over markets. In France's case, the issue is why on earth Macron called a snap early legislative election after just getting creamed in the EU elections. In the US case, it's President Biden's poor debate performance and slipping mental acuity. In the UK, the outgoing Conservatives have made a mess of things ever since the 2016 Brexit vote and before that former PM Cameron's ill-fated choice to call the referendum.

The start of the US bank earnings season, decisions by four regional central banks (BCRP, RBNZ, BoK and Negara) and macro releases focused upon CPI readings from several other countries will compete for residual attention.

So on we go, tackling the first order concern.

US INFLATION—NOT SO FAST!

CPI inflation for the month of June arrives on Thursday. It could disappoint by pointing to stalled progress.

My estimate is for core CPI to rise by 0.3% m/m SA, or about 3½% m/m at a seasonally adjusted and annualized rate. That's not blistering, but there is probably more upside than downside risk to this amid high uncertainty given limited advance price signals.

Chart 3

Key is unease toward what will happen to core services inflation. Recall that service price inflation excluding energy services and shelter came to a sudden grinding halt in May when that category fell by 0.5% m/m SAAR (chart 2). That category accounts for about one-quarter of the total CPI basket. When it was rising by 0.4–0.9% m/m SA nonannualized from January through April this category was adding 0.1–0.2% per month to overall CPI and slightly more to core CPI. As the chart shows, this category is very volatile. Sudden large decelerations are commonly followed by large gains. -12

Chart 3 shows what has happened following months when core services CPI ex-housing has landed flat or declined compared to the prior

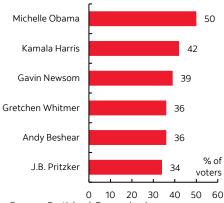
US CPI Core Services Ex-Housing 8 m/m % SAAR, next month after a month of 0% CPI core services ex-housing 6 4 2 0 -2 -4 -6 -8 -10 -14 15 Feb

Sources: Scotiabank Economics, BLS.

Chart 1

If Not Biden, Then Who?

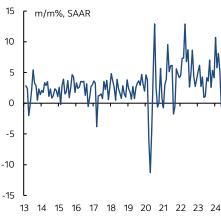
% of voters voting for potential democratic candidate vs Trump in the Presidential elections



Sources: Scotiabank Economics, Ipsos.

Chart 2

US CPI Core Services Ex-Housing



Sources: Scotiabank Economics, BLS.

Chart 4

US Labour Market Remains Tight



Sources: Scotiabank Economics, OECD, BLS.



month. It's not uncommon for the next month to rise from the ashes particularly if the early part of the pandemic is excluded from the sample.

In fact, May's soft core services ex-housing CPI reading could well have been an anomaly. One driver of this measure of inflation is derived from the labour market that remains tight as indicated by the spread between the unemployment rate and the CBO's measure of the NAIRU equilibrium unemployment rate (chart 4). Since wages are the biggest component of delivering these types of services, sticky wage growth serves as a significant driver of core services prices.

Other drivers may be more benign. Gasoline prices may knock a tenth or so off of month-over-month headline CPI. Food prices will probably be a benign influence. Ditto for industry tracking of new and used vehicles.

Shelter's 36% weight in the CPI basket has been a sticky influence with regular monthly advances of 0.4–0.5% m/m SA via roughly equal contributions from rent of primary residence and owners' equivalent rent of residences. Similar gains are expected this time.

If it's another cool core CPI reading, then it could fan prospects for late summer easing by the FOMC. A hotter reading would at least temporarily knock back such sentiment, but all would not be lost on the path to the September FOMC. There are two more CPI prints before the September 18th FOMC decision and two more core PCE readings. The Committee would look to the trend while considering the broader suite of evidence that a less restrictive stance may be appropriate if it has confidence that the US economy and labour market are moving away from excess demand imbalances toward achieving its inflation goals into next year.

WHY MARKETS FEAR FRANCE'S NATIONAL RALLY

The second round of France's legislative elections is on Sunday. I'll just aim to share some of what I know including by drawing upon numerous sources with a slant toward why financial markets may be worried about the outcome.

French polls close at 8pm Paris time on Sunday night (2pmET) at which point tentative results will be announced. Unlike elsewhere, I understand that these tentative results tend to closely align with final tallies such that the Asian market open into Monday morning should have a very good indication of the outcome.

The key number to watch is that a majority requires 289 seats out of 577. If no party or coalition achieves a majority, then the focus shifts to building coalitions. If the far-right National Rally wins an outright majority, then a hung parliament would result. This could leave Macron with the option of appointing a technical government made up of civil servants perceived to be relatively nonpartisan. It's uncertain how this would function, but my hunch is probably not very well!

The key market sensitivity is the degree to which the National Rally (Rassemblement National, RN) achieves success. The free-spending and heavily taxing left's prospects would also frighten markets relative to President Macron's centrist coalition, but the focus is upon the RN given its performance in the polls. A well written, short piece that reviews Macron's positive achievements alongside his failure to address fiscal pressures is **here** and this also provides context for the policy shifts at stake.

Why should markets fear the RN? A starting issue is the wolf in sheep's clothing perspective. The RN party has a disturbing past traced to its founder, Jean-Marie Le Pen, father of Marine Le Pen who is the current leader. Her father held divisive, xenophobic, antisemitic and anti-EU beliefs. Marine Le Pen previously advocated Frexit—withdrawing from the EU and dropping the euro—but now claims she no longer holds these beliefs perhaps after witnessing the Brexit experience and the resulting political turmoil. She has sought to distance herself from some of her father's stances and partially re-branded the party. A sense that the apple doesn't fall far from the tree and the fact that much of the party's membership and support base hasn't changed offer cautions against her marketing efforts.

Le Pen has her sights set on the Presidential election in 2027. In the meantime, the RN's most likely candidate for PM should it win a majority or strike a successful coalition arrangement—unless Macron chooses a technocrat—is an unimpressive, inexperienced 29-year-old Sorbonne drop-out named Jordan Bardella. So-called 'cohabitation'—when the President and PM are opposed—is a likely outcome. Biographies that I've read of Mr. Bardella describe a formative period as an impressionable teen who sought positive reinforcement upon joining the National Front predecessor to the National Rally at the age of 16 and quickly rising within its rebellious ranks.

Bardella's anti-immigrant stance defies his own roots, as his parents were immigrants who achieved business success in France. An anti-immigrant stance would likely impair growth in the labour force. He is against free trade. He justifies concern for the environment not so much because of concern for the environment per se, but because he points to the associated risk of mass people movement due to climate change which plays to his anti-immigrant bias. He has said he wishes to 'negotiate' a cut in France's contribution to the EU budget. He is inexperienced and lacks a proven ability to work toward a coalition consensus which could mean years of dysfunctional French politics.

RN's other policy stances would raise risks. For one, it was revealed that Marine Le Pen's prior campaigns were financed by a Russian bank close to Vladimir Putin and while Le Pen has recently tried to distance herself from Putin there remain legitimate concerns about her party's Russian ties. One manifestation of this concern is that NR currently opposes Ukraine joining NATO while nevertheless opposing Russia's invasion.

As The Economist has noted (here), Le Pen's 2022 Presidential campaign offered over €100 billion in new yearly spending, equating to 3–4% of the economy's size. A clear campaign update is unavailable, but the party leaders suggest somewhat vaguer nearer term fiscal plans. Recall that in France, the PM has the most control over domestic policy matters whereas external policy is more directed by the President.

The impact of RN's pledges on France's already large fiscal deficits would rival the massive spending of the left wing New Popular Front proving that right and left can be equally ruinous to any nation's finances (chart 5). NR pledges to cut the VAT on energy to 5½% from 20%. They also seek to cut payroll taxes, reverse pension reforms including cutting the retirement age that Macron had raised in order to address pension funding shortfalls, and with no real plan on how to replace lost government revenues beyond restoring

a wealth tax on all assets valued at over €1.3 million. Want to see an equity PM being thrown into convulsions? Just say 'wealth tax'. Wealth taxes and bigger deficits that add to an already high debt load (chart 6) are hardly music to the market's ears.

For these reasons, shorting French bonds relative to bunds has been a winning bet since the EU parliamentary elections that started it all. The 10-year spread over bunds has widened from under 50bps before those elections to a peak of about 82bps before recently pulling back somewhat as efforts to rig the election work against a victory by National Rally took root (chart 7). This spread could widen sharply if National Rally achieves an outright majority or even a strong relative majority, but could materially narrow if it experiences a weak outcome and especially if Macron's party coalition posts a surprisingly strong outcome.

So what do the polls say even if they are imprecise to downright inaccurate at times? After securing the best first-round outcome on record (chart 8) and following strategic positioning by other parties, the freshest seat projections point to National Rally falling short of an absolute majority that requires 289 seats but securing a relative majority nonetheless (chart 9 and here). The 'Republican Front' tactic has diminished RN's chances by having candidates that landed in third place in the first-round elections dropping out in order to solidify support against RN's candidates. 210 such candidates had dropped out of the second round the last I checked.

Chart 6

France's Public Debt

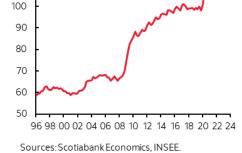


Chart 8

National Rally To See Its Best Electoral Performance

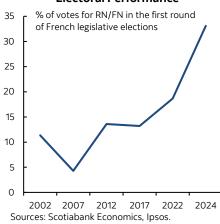


Chart 5

France Deficit Under Potential Governments

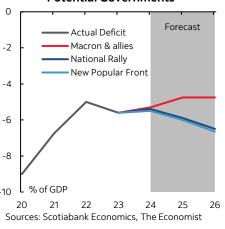


Chart 7

Mild Relief in French Spreads

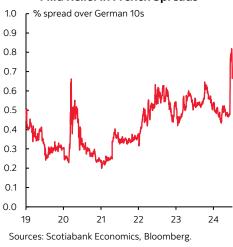
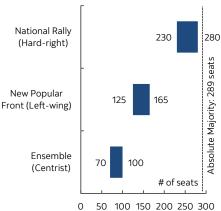


Chart 9

French Elections - Seats Projection



Sources: Scotiabank Economics, The Economist.

CENTRAL BANKS—COULD ONE BOLT FROM THE PACK?

Four regional central bank decisions and testimony from the Federal Reserve Chair will be on display from Tuesday through Thursday. Bank of Korea may be the lone exception in terms of possibly altering its policy stance.

Powell's Testimony May be Stale on Arrival

Federal Reserve Chair Powell Congressional testimony Tuesday at 10amET before the Senate Banking Committee and the House Financial Services Committee the next day at the same time. The testimony is somewhat awkwardly timed after Powell's recent comments at the ECB's Sintra retreat and the minutes to the June FOMC meeting but before CPI on Thursday. Fed communications have made it clear that they are encouraged by recent data particularly on inflation, but that they want to see more of it which means a summer spent watching and waiting. And yet if I'm right on core CPI, then whatever Powell says in his Congressional testimony could become old news rather quickly.

RBNZ—Still a Waiting Game

No one expects New Zealand's central bank to change its **Chart 10** cash rate on Tuesday night (ET). Markets are priced for no change at this meeting and only a slim chance at a cut in August before more material cut pricing kicks in from October onward.

This is a market bet against the RBNZ's guidance not to expect a cut until well into 2025 and at a very modest initial pace (chart 10). The RBNZ's explicit guidance was provided in the May version of the Monetary Policy Statement but the next update isn't expected until the August 13th meeting.

That August meeting will be informed by the July 16th release of Q2 inflation data and particularly the non tradeable component that is more likely to be determined by domestic activity. As chart 11 shows, this measure has

RBNZ Official Cash Rate

Nov. '23 MPS

Aug. '23 MPS

Aug. '23 MPS

Current rate: 5.50%

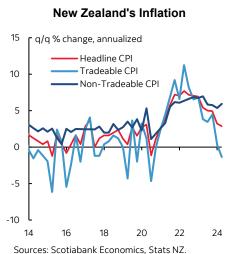
Feb. '24 MPS

May. '24 MPS

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Sources: Scotiabank Economics, Reserve Bank of New Zealand, Bloomberg.



not been cooling down to an acceptable rate in keeping with the RBNZ's overall 2% inflation target.

BCRP—Another Hold

After the surprise hold in June, will Banco Central de Reserva del Peru have enough confidence to resume cutting on Thursday? Probably not is the view of our economists in Lima.

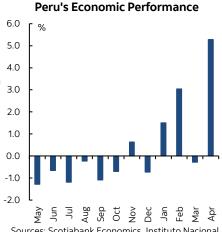
BCRP surprised economists by holding its reference rate unchanged on June 13th. Only three out of a dozen within Bloomberg's consensus got it right.

Since then, the unemployment rate fell by a half point to 7.2% in May and CPI accelerated from 2% y/y to 2.3% in June. Core CPI has remained stuck at around 3% y/y throughout this year as progress toward lower readings has stalled. Economic activity has also strongly rebounded of late to the fastest pace since September 2021 which may fan inflation risk (chart 12).

After 200bps of cuts, BCRP may have more flexibility especially in light of mild currency softening since late May and with the Federal Reserve in a data watching holding pattern.

Chart 12

Chart 11



Sources: Scotiabank Economics, Instituto Nacional de Estadistica e Informatica de Peru.

Bank of Korea—Getting Closer

South Korea's central bank is expected to leave its base rate unchanged at 3.5% on Thursday but with cut risk or at least a somewhat more dovish bias. The BoK has been holding at this level since January of last year. The case for easing is nevertheless rising.

Headline CPI at 2.4% y/y is within spitting distance of the central bank's 2% target. Core CPI is bang on target.

This is why Governor Rhee Chang-yong noted at the prior meeting that "If there is confidence that inflation stabilizes, the task of normalizing the rate level would need to be started."

Challenging this perspective is that growth remains resilient. Q1 GDP was up by 1.3% q/q SA nonannualized for the strongest reading since 2021Q4. That pace is not expected to be kept up in Q2 figures with some economists even forecasting a mild dip. In any event, when the BoK revised up its growth forecast on July 2^{nd} , it did not revise up inflation forecasts which signalled that the central bank has confidence that inflation can remain well behaved.

Bank Negara—Riding Along at Pre-Pandemic Norms

Malaysia's central bank has been on hold since May of last year and is expected to extend that hold on Thursday. The case for cutting is rising, however, with inflation at 2% y/y and a reasonably stable ringgit.

Still, the policy rate of 3% is not as restrictive as it is for other global central banks. Its present level is roughly in line with the longer-run average since the Global Financial Crisis and more in line with pre-pandemic norms (chart 13). With the Federal Reserve in watch-and-wait mode, Negara is likely to remain nervous about potentially unmooring the ringgit and stoking renewed inflationary pressures.

GLOBAL MACRO—US EARNINGS WILL BE KEY

The rest of the global line-up will be rather light this week. Key will be the start of the US earnings season and a batch of inflation readings focused upon Latin America, two of Asia's biggest economies and the Scandies.

On Friday, several of the top banks in the US will begin the Q2 earnings season in earnest. JP Morgan Chase, Citigroup, Wells Fargo and BoNYM are all due out. Chart 14 shows consensus expectations for earnings per share.

There will be little else for US markets to consider by way of calendar-based risk beyond CPI and Chair Powell's testimony. Producer prices will extend inflation risk to US markets when June's reading is offered on Friday along with the University of Michigan's consumer sentiment reading that same morning.

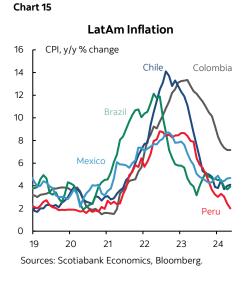
Canadian market participants itching for some domestic calendar-based macro risk will be left twiddling their thumbs with just existing home sales possibly due out on Friday.

Inflation readings will also come from Chile and Colombia (Monday), Mexico and China (Tuesday), Brazil and Norway (Wednesday), India and Sweden (Friday). Mexican wage growth in June will add to the inflation risk facing Banxico given that it has recently been running at over 9% y/y partly due to policy measures. Chart 15 shows the pattern to date across LatAm inflation readings.

The regular batch of monthly UK releases for May will include GDP, industrial output, the services index and trade all on Thursday.

Sources: Scotiabank Economics, BNM





Sources: Scotiabank Economics, Bloomberg.

Key Indicators for the week of July 8 – 12

NORTH AMERICA

Country	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Indicator</u>	<u>Period</u>	BNS	Consensus	<u>Latest</u>
US	07-08	15:00	Consumer Credit (US\$ bn m/m)	May		11.0	6.4
MX	07-09	08:00	Bi-Weekly Core CPI (% change)	Jun 30		0.2	0.2
MX	07-09	08:00	Bi-Weekly CPI (% change)	Jun 30		0.3	0.2
MX	07-09	08:00	Consumer Prices (m/m)	Jun		0.3	-0.2
MX	07-09	08:00	Consumer Prices (y/y)	Jun		4.9	4.7
MX	07-09	08:00	Consumer Prices Core (m/m)	Jun		0.2	0.2
US	07-10	07:00	MBA Mortgage Applications (w/w)	Jul 05			-2.6
US	07-10	08:30	Initial Jobless Claims (000s)	Jul 06	235		238.0
US	07-10	08:30	Continuing Claims (000s)	Jun 29	1845		1858.0
US	07-10	10:00	Wholesale Inventories (m/m)	May F			0.6
US	07-11		CPI (m/m)	Jun	0.1	0.1	0.0
US	07-11		CPI (y/y)	Jun	3.0	3.1	3.3
US	07-11	08:30	CPI (index)	Jun		314.5	314.1
US	07-11	08:30	CPI ex. Food & Energy (m/m)	Jun	0.3	0.2	0.2
US	07-11	08:30	CPI ex. Food & Energy (y/y)	Jun	3.5	3.4	3.4
US	07-11	14:00	Treasury Budget (US\$ bn)	Jun			-347.1
MX	07-12		Industrial Production (m/m)	May			-0.5
MX	07-12	08:00	Industrial Production (y/y)	May			5.1
CA	07-12	08:30	Building Permits (m/m)	May			20.5
US	07-12		PPI (m/m)	Jun	0.1	0.1	-0.2
US	07-12		PPI ex. Food & Energy (m/m)	Jun	0.1	0.1	0.0
CA			Existing Home Sales (m/m)	Jun			-0.6
US	07-12	10:00	U. of Michigan Consumer Sentiment	Jul P		67.0	68.2

EUROPE

Country	Date	Time	Indicator	Period	Consensus	Latest
IT	07-10	04:00	Industrial Production (m/m)	May		-1.0
GE	07-11	02:00	CPI (m/m)	Jun F	0.1	0.1
GE	07-11	02:00	CPI (y/y)	Jun F	2.2	2.2
GE	07-11	02:00	CPI - EU Harmonized (m/m)	Jun F	0.2	0.2
GE	07-11	02:00	CPI - EU Harmonized (y/y)	Jun F	2.5	2.5
UK	07-11	02:00	Index of Services (m/m)	May		0.2
UK	07-11	02:00	Industrial Production (m/m)	May		-0.9
UK	07-11	02:00	Manufacturing Production (m/m)	May		-1.4
UK	07-11	02:00	Visible Trade Balance (£ mn)	May		-19607.0
IR	07-11	04:00	Real GDP (q/q)	1Q F		0.9
FR	07-12	02:45	CPI (m/m)	Jun F		0.1
FR	07-12	02:45	CPI (y/y)	Jun F		2.1
FR	07-12	02:45	CPI - EU Harmonized (m/m)	Jun F		0.1
FR	07-12	02:45	CPI - EU Harmonized (y/y)	Jun F		2.5
SP	07-12	03:00	CPI (m/m)	Jun F		0.3
SP	07-12	03:00	CPI (y/y)	Jun F		3.4
SP	07-12	03:00	CPI - EU Harmonized (m/m)	Jun F		0.3
SP	07-12	03:00	CPI - EU Harmonized (y/y)	Jun F		3.5
GE	07-12	03:00	Current Account (€ bn)	May		25.9
GE	07-12	03:00	Retail Sales (m/m)	May	0.0	-0.2

Forecasts at time of publication. Sources: Bloomberg, Scotiabank Economics.

Key Indicators for the week of July 8 – 12

ASIA PACIFIC

Country	Date	Time	Indicator	Period	Consensus	Latest
CH	07-06	21:00	Foreign Reserves (US\$ bn)	Jun	3225.0	3232.0
JN	07-07	19:50	Bank Lending (y/y)	Jun		3.0
JN	07-07	19:50	Current Account (¥ bn)	May	2389.0	2050.5
JN	07-07	19:50	Trade Balance - BOP Basis (¥ bn)	May	-1099.8	-661.5
SI	07-07	21:00	Real GDP (y/y)	2Q A	2.7	2.7
SI	07-07	21:00	GDP (q/q)	2Q A	2.7	2.7
ID	07-07	22:00	Consumer Confidence Index	Jun		125.2
TH	07-07	22:00	Consumer Confidence Economic	Jun		54.3
JN	07-08	19:50	Japan Money Stock M2 (y/y)	Jun		1.9
JN	07-08	19:50	Japan Money Stock M3 (y/y)	Jun		1.3
PH	07-08	21:00	Unemployment Rate (%)	May		4.0
JN	07-09	02:00	Machine Tool Orders (y/y)	Jun P		4.2
TA	07-09	04:00	Exports (y/y)	Jun	14.7	3.5
TA			Imports (y/y)	Jun		0.6
TA	07-09	04:00	Trade Balance (US\$ bn)	Jun		6.1
SK	07-09	19:00	Unemployment Rate (%)	Jun		2.8
PH	07-09	21:00	Exports (y/y)	May	1.9	26.4
PH			Imports (y/y)	May	2.8	12.6
PH			Trade Balance (US\$ mn)	May		-4761.0
CH	07-09	21:30	CPI (y/y)	Jun	0.4	0.3
CH			PPI (y/y)	Jun	-0.8	-1.4
NZ			RBNZ Official Cash Rate (%)	Jul 10	5.50	5.50
JN			Machine Orders (m/m)	May	8.0	-2.9
SK			BoK Base Rate (%)	Jul 11	3.50	3.50
MA			Overnight Rate (%)	Jul 11	3.00	3.00
NZ			Business NZ PMI	Jun		47.2
CH			Exports (y/y)	Jun	8.0	7.6
CH	07-11	21:00	Imports (y/y)	Jun	2.9	1.8
CH	07-11	21:00	Trade Balance (USD bn)	Jun	83.7	82.6
PH	07-11	21:00	Bank Lending (y/y)	May		10.2
MA	07-12	00:00	Industrial Production (y/y)	May		6.1
JN			Capacity Utilization (m/m)	May		0.3
JN	07-12	00:30	Industrial Production (m/m)	May F		2.8
JN			Industrial Production (y/y)	May F		0.3
IN			CPI (y/y)	Jun	4.80	4.75
IN	07-12	08:00	Industrial Production (y/y)	May	4.90	5.00

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Country	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	Indicator	Period	BNS	Consensus	Latest
CO	07-08	19:00	Consumer Price Index (m/m)	Jun		0.3	0.4
CO	07-08	19:00	Consumer Price Index (y/y)	Jun		7.1	7.2
BZ	07-10	08:00	IBGE Inflation IPCA (m/m)	Jun		0.3	0.5
BZ	07-10	08:00	IBGE Inflation IPCA (y/y)	Jun		4.4	3.9
BZ	07-11	08:00	Retail Sales (m/m)	May			0.9
BZ	07-11	08:00	Retail Sales (y/y)	May			2.2
PE	07-11	19:00	Reference Rate (%)	Jul 11	5.75		5.75

Forecasts at time of publication. Sources: Bloomberg, Scotiabank Economics.



Global Auctions for the week of July 8 – 12

NORTH AMERICA

Country	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
US	07-09	13:00	U.S. To Sell USD58 Bln 3-Year Notes
US	07-10	13:00	U.S. To Sell USD39 Bln 10-Year Notes Reopening
CA	07-11	12:00	Canada to Sell 10 Year Bonds
US	07-11	13:00	U.S. To Sell USD22 Bln 30-Year Bond Reopening

EUROPE

Country	<u>Date</u>	Time	<u>Event</u>
NE	07-09	04:00	Netherlands to Sell Up to EU2 Billion of 3.25% 2044 Bonds
AS	07-09	05:00	Austria to Sell Bonds
SZ	07-10	05:00	Switzerland to Sell Bonds
GE	07-10	05:30	Germany to Sell Bonds
PO	07-10	05:30	Portugal to Sell Bonds
ΙΤ	07-11	05:00	Italy to Sell Bonds
UK	07-11	05:00	UK to Sell 4.0% 2031 Bonds

ASIA PACIFIC

Country	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
JN	07-08	23:35	Japan to Sell 5-Year Bonds
CH	07-09	22:35	China Plans to Sell Bonds
JN	07-10	23:35	Japan to Sell 20-Year Bonds
CH	07-11	22:35	China Plans to Sell 5 Year Bonds

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CountryDateTimeEventNo Scheduled Auctions

Sources: Bloomberg, Scotiabank Economics.



Events for the week of July 8 – 12

NORTH AMERICA

Country	Date	<u>Time</u>	Event
US	07-09	10:00	Fed's Powell Testifies to Senate Banking
US	07-10	10:00	Fed's Powell Testifies to House Financial Services
US	07-10	14:30	Fed's Goolsbee, Bowman Give Opening Remarks at Childcare Event
MX	07-11	11:00	Central Bank Monetary Policy Minutes
US	07-11	11:30	Fed's Bostic Speaks in Moderated Q&A
US	07-11	13:00	Fed's Musalem Speaks in Q&A on Economy

EUROPE

<u>Country</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
EC	07-06	03:15	ECB's Muller
EC	07-06	08:30	ECB's Villeroy Speaks in Aix
UK	07-08	12:15	BOE's Haskel speaks
IT	07-10	05:00	Istat Releases the Note on Italian Economy
UK	07-10	09:30	BOE's Huw Pill speaks

ASIA PACIFIC

Country	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
NZ	07-09	22:00	RBNZ Official Cash Rate
NZ	07-09	22:00	RBNZ Monetary Policy Review
SK	07-10	00:00	BOK Base Rate
MA	07-11	03:00	BNM Overnight Policy Rate
ΚZ	07-12	03:00	Key Rate

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Country	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	Event
MX	07-11	11:00	Central Bank Monetary Policy Minutes
PE	07-11	19:00	Reference Rate

Sources: Bloomberg, Scotiabank Economics.



Global Central Bank Watch

NORTH AMERICA

Rate	Current Rate	Next Meeting	Scotia's Forecasts	Consensus Forecasts
Bank of Canada – Overnight Target Rate	4.75	July 24, 2024	4.50	4.75
Federal Reserve – Federal Funds Target Rate	5.50	July 31, 2024	5.50	5.50
Banco de México – Overnight Rate	11.00	August 8, 2024	11.00	11.00

Federal Reserve: Federal Reserve Chair Powell will testify in front of the Senate Banking Committee and the House Financial Services Committee for the Semiannual Monetary Policy Report to Congress on Tuesday and Wednesday at 10am EST respectively.

EUROPE

Rate	Current Rate	Next Meeting	Scotia's Forecasts	Consensus Forecasts
European Central Bank – Refinancing Rate	4.25	July 18, 2024	4.25	4.25
European Central Bank – Marginal Lending Facility Rate	4.50	July 18, 2024	4.50	4.50
European Central Bank – Deposit Facility Rate	3.75	July 18, 2024	3.75	3.75
Bank of England – Bank Rate	5.25	August 1, 2024	5.25	5.25
Swiss National Bank – Sight Deposit Rate	1.25	September 26, 2024	1.25	1.25
Central Bank of Russia – One-Week Auction Rate	16.00	July 26, 2024	16.00	16.00
Sweden Riksbank – Repo Rate	3.75	August 20, 2024	3.75	3.75
Norges Bank – Deposit Rate	4.50	August 15, 2024	4.50	4.50
Central Bank of Turkey – Benchmark Repo Rate	50.00	July 23, 2024	50.00	50.00

ASIA PACIFIC

Rate Bank of Japan – Policy Rate	Current Rate 0.10	Next Meeting July 31, 2024	Scotia's Forecasts 0.10	Consensus Forecasts 0.10
Reserve Bank of Australia – Cash Rate Target	4.35	August 6, 2024	4.35	4.35
Reserve Bank of New Zealand – Cash Rate	5.50	July 9, 2024	5.50	5.50
People's Bank of China – 1-Year Medium-Term Lending Facility Rate	2.50	July 14, 2024	2.50	2.50
Reserve Bank of India – Repo Rate	6.50	August 8, 2024	6.50	6.50
Bank of Korea – Base Rate	3.50	July 11, 2024	3.50	3.50
Bank of Thailand – Repo Rate	2.50	August 21, 2024	2.50	2.50
Bank Negara Malaysia – Overnight Policy Rate	3.00	July 11, 2024	3.00	3.00
Bank Indonesia – BI-Rate	6.25	July 17, 2024	6.25	6.25
Central Bank of Philippines – Overnight Borrowing Rate	6.50	August 15, 2024	6.50	6.50

Reserve Bank of New Zealand (RBNZ): RBNZ is unanimously expected to maintain its cash rate at 5.50% on Tuesday for the eighth consecutive time. RBNZ's latest forward guidance shows a hawkish hold for a while with no cuts expected for this year and into much of 2025. Although headline inflation has been easing, it is well above the target range. In addition, the non-tradeable component of CPI has been sticky above 5% q/q annualized. Bank of Korea (BoK): Bank of Korea is expected to hold its base rate at 3.50% on Thursday with a small chance of a cut after inflation eased further with core sitting at the 2% target. Guidance may be more dovish. Bank Negara Malaysia: Bank Negara is expected to hold its overnight policy rate at 3% on Thursday amidst easing inflation. The central bank might change its stance and guide its first rate cut which might put pressure on the stable ringgit.

LATIN AMERICA

<u>Rate</u>	Current Rate	Next Meeting	Scotia's Forecasts	Consensus Forecasts
Banco Central do Brasil – Selic Rate	10.50	July 31, 2024	10.50	10.50
Banco Central de Chile – Overnight Rate	5.75	July 31, 2024	5.50	N/A
Banco de la República de Colombia – Lending Rate	11.25	July 31, 2024	10.75	N/A
Banco Central de Reserva del Perú – Reference Rate	5.75	July 11, 2024	5.75	N/A

Banco Central de Reserva del Peru: After surprising the market at its last meeting, our economists based in Lima expect the central bank to hold the reference rate at 5.75% on Thursday. Since the last meeting, headline inflation has increased while core inflation has stabilized around 3% for a while. In addition, monthly GDP for April rebounded strongly at 5.3% y/y thereby beating expectations.

AFRICA

Rate	Current Rate	Next Meeting	Scotia's Forecasts	Consensus Forecasts
South African Reserve Bank – Repo Rate	8.25	July 18, 2024	8.25	8.25

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