Markets Update

Thursday, 27 August 2026

Key news

- All eyes were on the latest inflation numbers from the US yesterday and they came in slightly above expectations at 3.7% Y/Y in July, unchanged from the previous month. Markets have reacted hawkishly to the print and USD has firmed up against its currency peers as market pricing of a September Fed rate has increased following the release.
- Elsewhere, reports suggest that Russia is preparing to escalate attacks on Ukraine after peace talks reached a dead end and pressure over the war inside Russia increased.
- Starting the session, cable is down slightly to just under $1.36; versus the euro, GBP is approx. €1.1660.
- Looking ahead to today, in the euro area, the minutes from the ECB's July meeting will be published in the afternoon. These should reveal the discussions from the last meeting where the ECB held rates steady. Current market view is for an increase in September which is fully priced in.
- In the US, Fed's annual Jackson Hole conference kicks off. It is anticipated the main market mover during the two day conference is Fed Chairman Warsh's speech on Friday. Markets will look for any hints about monetary policy in September although some analysts are expecting Warsh to continue his pattern of providing little to no forward guidance. Worth noting that if Warsh comes across as hawkish, it could strengthen the dollar and weigh on risk assets globally.

.

Market Rates

CCY pair	Market rate at opening
GBP/USD	1.3586
GBP/EUR	1.1660
EUR/USD	1.1652
EUR/GBP	0.8576
GBP/AUD	1.8924
GBP/CAD	1.8869
GBP/CHF	1.0947
GBP/DKK	8.7157
GBP/HKD	10.6501
GBP/JPY	216.4520
GBP/NOK	12.7184
GBP/NZD	2.2866
GBP/SEK	12.9531
USD/CNY	6.7201

CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact Markets on 028 9089 1111 / 028 9089 1100

We may record or monitor calls to confirm details of our conversations, and for verification and quality purposes. Lines are open 8am to 5pm Monday - Friday except for bank holidays or other holidays in Northern Ireland when the bank is not open for business. Call charges may vary. Please contact your phone company for details. We may record or monitor calls to confirm details of our conversations, and for verification and quality purposes.

EMAIL: *markets@danskebank.co.uk* **WEBSITE: *www.danskebank.co.uk***