Weekly Economic Update

23 June 2023

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UK

- The FTSE 100 closed the week at 7462 down 2.37%. The 10 year UK gilt yield moved from 4.41% to 4.32%.
- The Bank of England raised rates by 50bps last week, due to signs of stubborn inflation persisting (core inflation rose to a 30-year high). The extent of this move surprised many, investors now expect the Bank of England rate to peak at 6%, Bloomberg estimates that the British economy would shrink by 0.3% this year and 1.4% in 2024 if rates were to get to this level.
- UK Chancellor Jeremey Hunt held meetings with CEOs of major UK retail banks last week. As a result, on Friday, Santander, Lloyds, Nationwide, Natwest, and Virgin Money announced that they would postpone home repossessions for borrowers who are behind on mortgage payments for 12 months. This commitment enables mortgage extensions without impacting credit ratings. The government's existing "pre-action protocol" already states that property repossession should be a last resort after exhausting all other reasonable solutions.

GLOBAL

- Last week, a historic event occurred in US markets as cash, bond, and stock yields converged for the first time. Investment grade corporate bonds yield around 5.25%, the expected 12-month forward earnings yield on the S&P 500 is approximately 5.1%, and a three-month US Treasury Bill yields around 5.2%.
- The Turkish central bank brought its era of ultra-loose monetary policy to an end as it rose rates by 650bps to 15%. The official figure of inflation is approximately 40 per cent, but many expect the actual number to be much higher.
- Analysts at Moody cautioned that \$1.4 trillion of private credit faces a "serious challenge" as loans underwritten at the top of the market in 2021 continue to come under strain of rising interest rates.
- Starbucks stocks lost 2.5% on Friday as a Union representing workers announced a strike in response to the company not allowing Pride decorations. 3,500 workers and 150 stores plan to join in the demonstrations.
- The whereabouts of Yevgeny Prigozhin, leader of the Wagner Group, is uncertain after his rebellion against Russian army leaders. Leading a march towards Moscow, his group shot down at least 12 Russian troops on route.

	Index Level 23 Jun 23	Total Return (Sterling)			
Equity Markets		MtD	YtD	1 Year	
FTSE All Share	4054	-0.1%	1.5%	8.6%	
FTSE 100	7462	0.4%	2.3%	10.4%	
FTSE 250	18062	-3.2%	-2.6%	-0.2%	
MSCI World	2902	1.2%	7.6%	12.1%	
MSCI World EM	992	1.3%	0.1%	-0.8%	

Bond Markets	Yield 23 Jun 23	Index % Change (Sterling)			
		MtD	YtD	1 Year	
FTA All Stock Gilt Index	4.43	-0.3%	-3.4%	-14.6%	
FTA All Stock ILG index	0.93	2.6%	-3.1%	-18.8%	
FTA Over 5 Year ILG index	0.91	3.2%	-3.8%	-22.0%	
FTA Under 5 Year FIG Index	4.99	-1.0%	-1.3%	-3.5%	
FTA Over 15 Year FIG Index	4.38	1.3%	-6.0%	-25.7%	

Interest Rates & Yields		Yield 31 May 23		
UK 10 Year Gilt Yield	4.32	4.18	3.67	2.32
UK 15 Year Gilt Yield	4.49	4.44	3.99	2.61
US 10 Year Treasury Yield	3.73	3.64	3.87	3.09
German 10 Year Yield	2.35	2.28	2.57	1.43
Spanish 10 Year Yield	3.31	3.33	3.66	2.52
Greek 10 Year Yield	3.58	3.75	4.57	3.76
Japan 10 Year Yield	0.37	0.43	0.41	0.23

Currencies Exchange Rate	23 Jun 23	31 May 23	31 Dec 22	23 Jun 22
GBP / USD	1.27	1.24	1.21	1.22
GBP / EURO	1.17	1.16	1.13	1.16
GBP / YEN	182.69	173.08	158.48	164.79

Commodities		Price Level 31 May 23		
Oil - WTI \$	69.16	68.09	80.26	104.27
Gold \$	1,921.20	1,962.73	1,824.02	1,822.77
Wheat \$	733.25	594.25	792.00	937.25

Source: Mobius Life, Bloomberg Please Note: Past performance is not a guide to future performance

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Weekly Economic Update Upcoming Data Releases





Date	Region	Event	Survey	Actual	Prior
30/06/2023	UK	GDP QoQ	0.10%		0.10%
30/06/2023	UK	GDP YoY	0.20%		0.20%
26/06/2023	GE	IFO Business Climate	90.7	88.5	91.7
29/06/2023	GE	CPI YoY	6.30%		6.10%
29/06/2023	GE	CPI MoM	0.20%		-0.10%
30/06/2023	FR	CPI YoY	4.60%		5.10%
27/06/2023	IT	Manufacturing Confidence	101		101.4
28/06/2023	IT	CPI EU Harmonized YoY	6.80%		8.00%
29/06/2023	SP	CPI YoY	1.70%		3.20%
29/06/2023	SP	CPI EU Harmonised YoY	1.50%		2.90%
30/06/2023	JN	Industrial Production MoM	-1.00%		0.70%
30/06/2023	JN	Jobless Rate	2.60%		2.60%
30/06/2023	JN	Tokyo CPI Ex-Fresh Food YoY	3.40%		3.20%
30/06/2023	СН	Manufacturing PMI	49		48.8
27/06/2023	US	Conf. Board Consumer Confidence	104		102.3
27/06/2023	US	Durable Goods Orders	-0.90%		1.10%
28/06/2023	US	MBA Mortgage Applications			0.50%
29/06/2023	US	Initial Jobless Claims	265k		264k
29/06/2023	US	GDP Annualized QoQ	1.40%		1.30%
30/06/2023	US	U. of Mich. Sentiment	63.9		63.9

Source: Bloomberg

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