



Market Map MMM

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TODAY'S THEME

- Yen surges past its post-intervention peak to 153.52, its strongest since late February, as Bank of Japan hike bets build ahead of the September 18 decision
- Oil jumps upon reopening amid Saudi strikes and Iranian threats to Gulf energy assets.
- --- A quiet calendar today — only the UK's Monetary Policy Report hearing scheduled, with markets positioning ahead of Thursday's ECB and Friday's US CPI.

KEY NUMBERS

Instrument	Price/Level	Change	Reference Note
DJ30	53,082.7	+0.03%	Prev close 53,068.8 (-0.32% Mon)
S&P 500	7,716.18	+0.18%	Prev close 7,702.63 (-0.08% Mon)
NAS100	29,703.08	+0.44%	Prev close 29,573.20 (+0.27% Mon)
DXY	98.81	-0.06%	Prev close 98.87 (-0.25% Mon)
EURUSD	1.1622	+0.01%	Prev close 1.1621 (+0.08% Mon)
GBPUSD	1.3535	-0.04%	Prev close 1.3540 (+0.19% Mon)
USDJPY	153.52	-0.54%	Prev close 154.35 (-1.20% Mon)
XAUUSD (Gold)	4,433.77	+0.63%	Prev close 4,406.10 (-0.54% Mon)

Instrument	Price/Level	Change	Reference Note
XAGUSD (Silver)	66.93	+1.28%	Prev close 66.08 (-0.12% Mon)
Brent Oil — CFD Cash	99.43	+0.28%	Prev close 99.15 (+1.31% Mon)
WTI Oil — CFD Cash	93.44	+0.36%	Prev close 93.11 (+1.52% Mon)
BTCUSD	78,743.85	-0.56%	Prev close 79,183.95 (-0.88% Mon)

The above levels are indicative as of the time of publication.

MACRO / MICRO & GEOPOLITICAL HEADLINES

Yen surges past its post-intervention peak as BoJ hike bets build

- › The yen strengthened past 155 dollar, the level it reached after Japan and the US staged a joint intervention in July, and has continued to extend those gains into today's session.
- › The move reflects hardening expectations that the Bank of Japan will raise rates at its September 18 meeting, alongside carry-trade unwinding and renewed political pressure from Washington over yen weakness.

Source: NAI 500 / CNBC

Oil holds gains on fresh Saudi strikes amid Hormuz risks and steady OPEC+ output.

- › Today Crude extends the advance after Yemeni missiles and drones struck airport in Saudi Arabia, Fars News Agency reported. Prices were already at six-week highs on Iran threats to hit Gulf energy infrastructure again.
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Source investinglive.

Markets eye Thursday's ECB decision and Friday's US CPI as the week's key catalysts.

- › With the calendar otherwise light today, positioning is building ahead of Thursday's ECB rate decision and Friday's full US CPI suite — both seen as more likely than today's session to set direction for EUR, USD and the September Fed debate.

KEY EVENTS TODAY

- 16:15 (13:15 GMT) GBP Monetary Policy Report Hearing

WEEK AHEAD

- Thursday — ECB Main Refinancing Rate decision — Previous 2.4%, Expected 2.6%
- Friday — US Core CPI m/m — Previous 0.2%, Forecast 0.2%
- Friday — US Core CPI y/y — Previous 2.5%, Forecast 2.4%
- Friday — US CPI m/m — Previous 0.1%, Forecast 0.4%
- Friday — US CPI y/y — Previous 3.4%, Forecast 3.4%
- Thursday — Earnings: Oracle (\$ORCL), Adobe (\$ADBE) and Kroger (\$KR) all report

MARKET PULSE — WHAT'S DRIVING MARKETS

🛢️ **Oil:** Brent (99.43) and WTI (93.44) extend their climb for a third session, building on the weekend's tanker strikes and OPEC+'s decision to hold October quotas flat.

🥇 **Gold & Silver:** Gold (4,433.77) and silver (66.93) both push higher as the yen's sharp move adds a fresh cross-current to precious-metals positioning ahead of Thursday's ECB decision.

China's central Bank consistent Gold buying to diversify its foreign exchange reserves is providing a structural floor for Gold prices. The PBOC announced that it held 76.73 million troy ounces of gold at the end of August, up from 76.08 million ounces in July. That extends the buying streak to 22 months now.

📈 **Equities:** A firm, broad-based session — the Nasdaq leads with the Dow and S&P both modestly higher, in a quiet pre-CPI calendar.

🏦 **FX:** The yen is once again the session's biggest mover, pushing through its post-intervention peak as BoJ hike bets build; meanwhile, the AUD remains notably higher, nearing May's high; the British pound, otherwise, holds steady ahead of this afternoon's UK MPC hearing."

KEY TAKEAWAY

- › The yen's break past its intervention-era peak is a genuine technical and psychological shift — a confirmed hawkish BoJ hike on September 18 could extend the move further, while any hesitation risks a reversal.

- › With OPEC+ holding output flat and Hormuz risk still live, oil's path of least resistance stays higher barring a genuine de-escalation.
- › This week's real catalysts are still ahead — Thursday's ECB decision and Friday's US CPI suite will likely dictate the next directional move across FX and rates.

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