

The week that was

- Equity markets recorded solid gains last week despite a 75bps rate hike from the European Central Bank (ECB), and a 50bps rate increase from the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA).
- Australian shares rose by 1% while European stocks climbed 1.1%. Japanese equities did better, rising 2%, while the US share market performed best last week, rising by 3.6%.
- While equity investors were unfazed by the actions and rhetoric of central banks, bond yields generally moved higher. In the US, 10-year yields rose by 12bps while German yields increased by 17bps.
- Australian bond yields, however, were a notable exception to the pattern with 10-year bond yields falling by 13bps.
- This appeared to reflect a speech from the RBA Governor indicating the RBA was likely to begin raising interest rates in smaller increments. It seems that investors interpreted this to mean that the RBA was coming towards the end of its tightening campaign.

Economic calendar

Monday 12/09	EU: ECB's Schnabel speech
Tuesday	AU: NAB business survey, Aug
13/09	US: Consumer inflation. Aug
Wednesday	EU: Industrial production, Jul
14/09	US: Producer prices, Aug
Thursday	AU: Employment, Aug
15/09	US: Retail sales, Aug
Friday	CH: Retail sales, Aug
16/09	EU: Consumer inflation, Aug

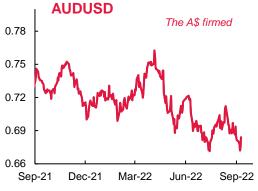
The week ahead

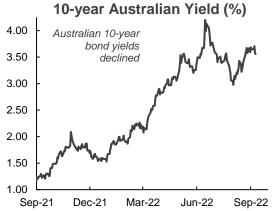
- Inflation dominates the global economic calendar this week, with August consumer prices released in both the US and Europe. With oil prices declining over recent months, US inflation may be modest for a second consecutive month. This could embolden investors to think that the US central bank may soon pause its tightening campaign.
- Lower petrol prices have also supported a modest improvement in consumer confidence in Australia, albeit from very low levels. Consumer sentiment data will reveal whether that has continued to rise in September. Business confidence data will also be released.
- Australian employment was surprisingly weak in July and most forecasters are expecting a strong bounce-back in August. But if figures released this week show this hasn't occurred, it again may lead investors to think that the RBA may be close to pausing its rate hikes.

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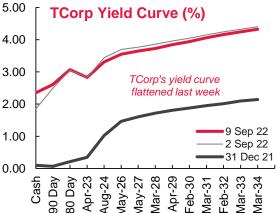
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Financial markets charts









Financial markets data: Week ending 9 September 2022

Interest Rates	Close (%)	1 Week (bps)		YTD (bps)	
RBA Cash Rate	2.35	50	A	225	
90-day BBSW	2.61	12	A	254	A
3-year Australian Bond Yield	3.12	-13	V	221	A
10-year Australian Bond Yield	3.56	-9	V	189	
20-year Australian Bond Yield	3.87	-8	V	160	A
10-year Australian Break-Even Inflation	2.23	-13	V	-4	V
10-year Australian Real Yield	1.33	4		193	A
Fed Funds Rate (lower bound)	2.25	0	_	225	
2-year US Treasury Yield	3.56	17	A	282	
10-year US Treasury Yield	3.31	12		180	
30-year US Treasury Yield	3.45	10	_	154	
10-year German Bund Yield	1.70	17		188	
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NSW TCorp Bonds	Close (%)	1 Week (bps)		YTD (bps)	
4.00% 20 April 2023	2.83	0		249	<u> </u>
1.00% 8 February 2024	3.28	-12	V	245	A
5.00% 20 August 2024	3.31	-13	V	229	A
1.25% 20 March 2025	3.42	-15	V	220	A
4.00% 20 May 2026	3.55	-15	V	208	<u> </u>
3.00% 20 May 2027	3.65	-12	V	204	A
3.00% 20 March 2028	3.73	-14		201	<u> </u>
3.00% 20 April 2029	3.85	-11	V	204	A
3.00% 20 February 2030	3.94	-10	<u> </u>	207	
2.00% 20 March 2031	4.06	-9	T	211	A
1.50% 20 February 2032	4.16	-8	<u> </u>	215	<u> </u>
2.00% 8 March 2033	4.25	-8	T	215	A
3.50% 20 March 2034	4.33	-8	•	218	
2.75% 20 November 2025 CIB	0.37	0	V	140	
2.50% 20 November 2035 CIB	2.04	2	A	200	A
10-year NSW TCorp Bond Yield	4.17	-9	V	219	
10-year TCV (Victoria) Spread	-0.02	0	A	-5	V
10-year QTC (Queensland) Spread	-0.07	0	A	-9	▼
Equities	Close	1 Week		YTD	
S&P/ASX 200 (Australia)	6,894	1.0%	A	-7.4%	V
S&P 500 (US)	4,067	3.6%	A	-14.7%	V
FTSE 100 (UK)	7,351	1.0%		-0.5%	V
DJ Stoxx 600 (Europe)	420	1.1%	A	-13.8%	▼
Nikkei 225 (Japan)	28,215	2.0%	A	-2.0%	V
Shanghai Composite (China)	3,262	2.4%		-10.4%	•
Currencies	Close	1 Week		YTD	
AUD/USD	0.684	0.4%	A	-5.8%	▼
EUR/USD	1.004	0.9%	A	-11.7%	V
USD/JPY	142.47	1.6%	A	23.8%	
GBP/USD	1.16	0.7%	A	-14.4%	▼
US\$ Index	109.00	-0.5%	▼	13.9%	
Commodities	Close	1 Week		YTD	
Brent Oil (US\$/bbl)	92.84	-0.2%	V	19.4%	
Iron Ore (US\$/t)	102.23	7.2%	A	-9.1%	▼
Coking Coal (US\$/t)	2,128.50	0.0%	V	3.7%	A
Gold (US\$/oz)	1,716.83	0.3%	A	-6.1%	•

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