# Daily Market Brief

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## FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKETS *(Sources: Bloomberg / Reuters)*

**EUR/USD**

The EUR/USD pair trades in positive territory near 1.1380 during the Asian trading hours on Tuesday. The Euro (EUR) edges higher to the highest since late April against the US Dollar (USD) after US President Donald Trump delayed the imposition of 50% tariffs on Europe. The US Conference Board's Consumer Confidence for May will be published later on Tuesday.

**GBP/USD**

GBP/USD extends its winning streak for the third successive session, trading above 1.3550 during the Asian hours on Tuesday. The pair is hovering near the 39-month high of 1.3593, which was marked on Monday. The pair continues to appreciate as the US Dollar (USD) weakens due to growing fears over the United States' (US) debt concerns.

**USD/JPY**

The Japanese Yen (JPY) retreats a few pips from over a one-month high touched against a weaker US Dollar (USD) during the Asian session on Tuesday, in reaction to strong domestic inflation data.

| Fx rates | Last | High | Low | % Daily | % Weekly | % YTD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| EUR-USD | 1.1378 | 1.1407 | 1.1375 | -0.08 | 0.84 | 9.89 |
| GBP-USD | 1.3551 | 1.3587 | 1.3548 | -0.10 | 1.18 | 8.27 |
| USD-JPY | 142.99 | 143.03 | 142.12 | 0.10 | 1.06 | 9.94 |
| USD-CHF | 0.8216 | 0.8227 | 0.8188 | 0.06 | 0.82 | 10.44 |

| Commodities | Last | High | Low | % Daily | % Weekly | % YTD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gold | 3330.67 | 3350.03 | 3329.78 | -0.39 | 1.23 | 26.91 |
| Silver | 33.26 | 33.53 | 33.25 | -0.69 | 0.54 | 15.08 |
| Crude Oil | 61.26 | 62.14 | 61.18 | -0.44 | -1.42 | -12.29 |
| Bitcoin | 108850.11 | 109884.20 | 107549.12 | -0.70 | -2.02 | 16.15 |
| Etherium | 2557.00 | 2585.12 | 2510.95 | -0.41 | -3.20 | -23.59 |

| Period | 1M | 3M | 6M | 12M |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| SOFR ($) | 4.33 | 4.33 | 4.27 | 4.07 |
| ESTR (€) | 1.72 | 1.94 | 1.84 | 1.72 |
| SONIA (£) | 4.22 | 4.21 | 4.15 | 4.02 |
| SARON (₣) | 0.09 | -0.06 | -0.15 | -0.25 |
| TONAR (¥) | 0.47 | 0.47 | 0.39 | 0.28 |

| | Rates |
|---|---|
| U.S. Federal Fund Target Rate | 4.50 |
| ECB Main Refinancing Operation Announcement Rate | 2.4 |
| ECB Deposit Facility Announcement Rate | 2.25 |
| ECB Marginal Lending Facility Announcement Rate | 2.65 |
| BOE Official Bank Rate | 4.25 |

## INTERNATIONAL EQUITY MARKETS *(Sources: Bloomberg / Reuters)*

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

US stock futures jumped Monday night following President Trump's decision to delay a broad 50% tariff on all EU products from June to July to allow time for negotiations. With Memorial Day closures delaying market responses to the on-again, off-again levies. Investors are now turning their attention to a busy week of economic data, including reports on durable goods orders, housing, and consumer confidence.

**EUROPE**

European shares were higher on Monday as investors reacted to U.S. President Donald Trump delaying the roll out of 50% tariffs on the European Union. The pan-European Stoxx 600 provisionally ended up 1%, with all sectors in positive territory. U.K. markets were closed for a public holiday.

**ASIA**

Asia-Pacific markets mostly fell Tuesday as investors continued to assess global trade climate after U.S. President Donald Trump deferred 50% tariffs on European Union imports.

| Index | Close | % Daily | % M | YTD | Futures | % Change |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| DJIA | 41603.07 | -0.61 | 3.71 | -2.21 | 42024.00 | 0.82 |
| S&P | 5802.82 | -0.67 | 5.02 | -1.34 | 5870.50 | 0.87 |
| Nasdaq | 18737.21 | -1.00 | 7.79 | -2.97 | 21182.50 | 0.93 |
| DJ EuroStoxx50 | 5395.33 | 1.30 | 4.68 | 10.20 | 5388.00 | 1.20 |
| FTSE 100 | 8717.97 | -0.24 | 3.60 | 6.67 | 8788.50 | 0.81 |
| CAC 40 | 7828.13 | 1.21 | 3.87 | 6.06 | 7816.00 | 1.32 |
| DAX | 24027.65 | 1.68 | 8.03 | 20.69 | 24015.00 | 1.56 |
| IBEX 35 | 14221.60 | 0.83 | 6.49 | 22.65 | 14224.00 | 0.98 |
| FTSE MIB | 39988.48 | 1.30 | 7.07 | 16.97 | 40050.00 | 1.31 |
| Nikkei | 37531.53 | -0.12 | 4.99 | -6.03 | 37520.00 | 0.81 |
| Hang Seng | 23282.33 | -0.18 | 5.73 | 15.86 | 23192.00 | -1.51 |
| DFM General | 5484.46 | 0.37 | 6.23 | 6.32 | N/A | N/A |
| MSCI Tadawoul | 11075.96 | 0.69 | -5.79 | -7.98 | N/A | N/A |

| Leb. Mrkts | Closing Px | High | Low | % Daily | % Weekly | YTD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Solidere A | 90.00 | 90.00 | 83.00 | 10.02 | 2.86 | -25.00 |
| Solidere B | 81.45 | 82.50 | 80.50 | 0.56 | -1.81 | -31.84 |

## MUST READ *(Source: Bloomberg/ Forexlive)*

**Tesla Sales Plunge in Europe Amid EV Market Growth and Rising Competition**

In April, Tesla's car sales in Europe dropped 49% year-over-year, marking the fourth consecutive month of decline. This is notable given the 27.8% growth in battery-electric vehicle (BEV) sales across the region, signaling Tesla's struggle to maintain its foothold amid rising competition and a tarnished brand image. Despite Tesla's recent upgrade of the Model Y, the brand has seen reduced market share—falling from 1.3% to 0.7%—as European consumers shift toward alternative EV manufacturers, particularly from China. Overall car sales in the EU, UK, and EFTA declined slightly by 0.3% to 1.07 million vehicles. Electrified vehicles, including BEVs, plug-in hybrids (PHEVs), and hybrids (HEVs), made up 59.2% of April registrations, up from 47.7% the year before. Notably, SAIC Motor and Mitsubishi recorded strong growth, while Mazda's sales dropped sharply. Country-wise, Spain and Italy saw sales growth, whereas France, Germany, and the UK experienced declines. The European auto industry faces pressure from Chinese competitors, political factors involving Elon Musk, and broader economic uncertainties, including U.S. tariffs and global market slowdowns. Despite eased U.S.-China tensions, manufacturers are contending with shifting demand and preparing for possible plant closures and job cuts.

## MAIN WEEKLY EARNINGS

| Company | Ticker | Market Cap | Date | Time | Estimate | Year Ago |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| OKTA INC | OKTA | $ 21.66 B | 27-May-25 | Aft-mkt | 0.78 | 0.65 |
| NVIDIA CORP | NVDA | $ 3201.84 B | 28-May-25 | Aft-mkt | 0.88 | 0.61 |
| SALESFORCE INC | CRM | $ 262.06 B | 28-May-25 | Aft-mkt | 2.55 | 2.44 |
| HP INC | HPQ | $ 26.38 B | 28-May-25 | Aft-mkt | 0.81 | 0.82 |
| MARVELL TECHN( | MRVL | $ 52.43 B | 29-May-25 | Aft-mkt | 0.61 | 0.24 |

## ECONOMIC CALENDAR

**(27-05-25) US - Durable Goods Orders**
**(27-05-25) US - Conference Board Consumer Comfidence**
**(28-05-25) DE - Unemployment Rate SA**
**(28-05-25) US - MBA Mortgage Applications**
**(29-05-25) JP - Japan Buying Foreigm Bonds/Stocks**
**(29-05-25) US - GDP Annualized QoQ**
**(29-05-25) US - Initial Jobless Claims**

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