

ECONOMIC RELEASE

US

Factory Orders MM, Exp 0.6% Last - 0.3%
ADP National Employment, Exp 48K Last 44K

Believe It Or Not!!

A mysterious island estimated to cover an area of over 105,000 square feet appeared in a British Columbia reservoir before disappearing just as enigmatically.

Locals spotted the tree-covered island in the Williston Reservoir, north of MacKenzie, earlier this month.

B.C. Hydro spokesman Bob Gammer said he was initially skeptical of the reports, as photos can easily be faked with AI.

"It's certainly something we've not heard of before," Gammer told CBC News. "And with not very many people reporting it, it was difficult to locate."

Officials were able to confirm the existence of the island by spotting it in satellite imagery from July 20.

The floating island, estimated to cover an area of about 105,486 square feet, vanished from satellite data by Aug. 5.

"We've been taking more updated snapshots and we can't see the object anymore. So it's disappeared now," Gammer said. "It doesn't mean it's gone to the bottom of the reservoir. It may have returned to a more sheltered area along the shoreline."

Gammer speculated the island likely formed over the course of several years. He said driftwood can accumulate along the shore, and plants and trees can then take root in the decomposing wood, creating a landmass atop the water.

He said the island likely broke free from the shore due to the rising water levels in the reservoir.

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

	SUPPORT		SPOT	Δ	RESISTANCE		COMMENTS
EUR/USD	1.1240	1.1460	1.1580	-0.26%	1.1617	1.1874	EUR/USD declined near 1.1580, pressured by a stronger dollar amid hawkish Fed stance and escalating ME geopolitical tensions. The US factory Orders report will be a focal point today, while market players should keep an eye on US yields, FED rate expectations, ECB remarks and geopolitical developments, as they could drive volatility in the pair.
USD/JPY	159.00	160.00	160.05	0.13%	161.00	162.00	USD/JPY gains ground above 160.00 level, supported by rising US treasury yields, renewed ME tensions and stronger expectations for a September FED hike. Later today, the US economic docket could influence the pair. However, traders should monitor ME developments, FED chatter and BoJ signals with any developments regarding yen intervention.
GBP/USD	1.3380	1.3420	1.3500	-0.33%	1.3653	1.4052	GBP/USD Escalating geopolitical tensions in the ME has led to a risk-off rotation into traditional safe-haven assets, boosting demand for USD. Traders are scaling back bullish exposure to GBP ahead of high impact US economic events (today's ADP Employment report and Friday's NFP), leading to short-term profit taking.
USD/CHF	0.7889	0.8012	0.8125	0.37%	0.8143	0.8207	USD/CHF gathered steam around 0.8130 ahead of US key economic releases due this week. Stronger-than-expected US job growth will likely trigger a breakout above 0.8150; on the flip side, 0.8090 will be exposed. That said, geopolitical risk appetite in global markets should keep acting as dual driver – affecting both the USD and CHF as traditional safe havens.

AROUND THE WORLD

CURRENCY	COUNTRY	RATE	Δ
USD / LBP		89500.00	0.00%
AUD / USD		0.7135	-0.49%
USD / CAD		1.3920	0.40%
USD / BRL		5.1535	-0.56%
USD / AED		3.6725	0.00%
USD / SAR		3.7545	0.00%
USD / KWD		0.3072	0.00%
USD / JOD		0.7090	0.00%
XAU	GOLD	4305.00	-2.82%
XAG	SILVER	63.65	-4.21%
WTI	OIL	90.55	4.11%

INTERBANK RATES

	USD	EUR	GBP	JPY
1 MONTH	3.50	2.07	3.85	0.85
3 MONTHS	3.97	2.54	4.04	1.19
6 MONTHS	4.20	2.73	4.27	1.36
1 YEAR	4.50	3.02	4.64	1.63

BEIRUT STOCK EXCHANGE

USD	CLOSE	Δ	VOLUME	HIGH	LOW
SOL A	70.00	0.00%	12,822	70.50	70.00
SOL B	70.05	0.00%	3,140	70.50	70.00
Ciments Libanais	51.00	0.00%	0	-	-
AUDI GDR	1.83	0.00%	0	-	-
BLOM GDR	7.02	0.00%	0	-	-
BYBLOS	0.65	0.00%	0	-	-

STOCK INDICES

DOW JONES		52,766.88	-0.79%
NASDAQ		26,099.77	-1.03%
S&P 500		7,631.47	-0.71%

CAC 40		8,301.85	-0.39%
FTSE		10,789.28	-0.32%
GDAX		25,970.11	-1.10%

NIKKEI		64,254.59	-2.99%
HANG SENG		25,098.87	-0.76%
SHANGHAI		3,941.47	-1.11%

EUROBONDS

		COUPON	MATURITY	PRICE		YIELD	
				Bid	Ask	Yield-Bid	Yield-Offer
LEBANON APR 21	USD	8.250%	12-Apr-21	29.250	31.250	-	-
LEBANON OCT 22	USD	6.100%	04-Oct-22	27.000	29.000	-	-
LEBANON JAN 23	USD	6.000%	27-Jan-23	27.000	29.000	-	-
LEBANON MAY 23	USD	6.400%	26-May-23	27.000	29.000	-	-
LEBANON APR 24	USD	6.650%	22-Apr-24	27.000	29.000	-	-
LEBANON NOV 24	USD	6.250%	04-Nov-24	27.000	29.000	-	-
LEBANON DEC 24	USD	7.000%	03-Dec-24	27.000	29.000	-	-
LEBANON FEB 25	USD	6.200%	26-Feb-25	27.000	29.000	-	-
LEBANON JUN 25	USD	6.250%	12-Jun-25	27.000	29.000	-	-
LEBANON NOV 26	USD	6.600%	27-Nov-26	27.250	29.250	1109.75%	1010.26%
LEBANON MAR 27	USD	6.850%	23-Mar-27	27.375	29.375	464.54%	423.93%
LEBANON NOV 27	USD	6.750%	29-Nov-27	27.500	29.500	153.73%	143.50%
LEBANON MAR 28	USD	7.000%	20-Mar-28	27.500	29.500	121.25%	113.53%
LEBANON NOV 28	USD	6.650%	03-Nov-28	27.500	29.500	85.26%	80.15%
LEBANON MAY 29	USD	6.850%	25-May-29	27.500	29.500	69.44%	65.42%
LEBANON FEB 30	USD	6.650%	26-Feb-30	27.500	29.500	56.31%	53.12%
LEBANON APR 31	USD	7.000%	22-Apr-31	27.750	29.750	45.80%	43.28%
LEBANON MAR 32	USD	7.000%	23-Mar-32	28.000	30.000	40.41%	38.22%
LEBANON MAY 33	USD	8.200%	17-May-33	29.250	31.250	37.85%	35.85%
LEBANON MAY 34	USD	8.250%	17-May-34	29.250	31.250	35.60%	33.71%
LEBANON NOV 35	USD	7.050%	02-Nov-35	28.500	30.500	30.73%	29.07%
LEBANON MAR 37	USD	7.250%	23-Mar-37	28.500	30.500	29.66%	28.03%

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