

ECONOMIC RELEASE

EZ

Retail Sales YY, Exp 1.1% Last 0.7% Retail Sales MM, Exp 0.3% Last -0.3% S&P
Construction PMI, Last 44.3

US

Non-Farm Payrolls, Exp 56K Last -23K Average Earnings YY, Exp 3.0% Last 3.2%
Unemployment Rate, Exp 4.1% Last 4.1% Private Payrolls, Exp 45K Last 30K

UK

S&P Global PMI: MSC Comp, Last 51.6
S&P Global Construction PMI, Exp 45.5 Last 4.7

Believe It Or Not!!

A Chicago bar gathered 1969 people to simultaneously take shots of iconic local liqueur Jeppson's Malört and set a Guinness World Record in the process.

Recess, a bar located in the West Loop, said the official count from Sunday's Malört World Record event was 1969 people simultaneously downing shots of the locally beloved and widely reviled alcoholic beverage.

Illinois Gov. J.B. Pritzker was in attendance and, at one point, stepped behind the bar to pour shots for attendees.

The event, which was billed as a "bad decision for a good cause," raised funds for Ravenswood Community Services.

Jeppson's Malört, which has been distilled in the Chicago area since the 1930s, is a beskränkt, a wormwood-based Swedish schnapps. Malört is famously a drink purchased by Chicagoans to haze visitors from out of town.

"Drinking Malört is socially acceptable masochism. Having other people drink Malört is socially acceptable sadism. Drinking Malört together is trauma bonding," record attempt participant Lenya Friesner told UPI.

Another attendee at Sunday's event described the flavor of the liqueur to Block Club Chicago as "a mixture of vomit and sweat."

Susana Mendoza, a city comptroller running for mayor of Chicago, was also in attendance at the event, and described the appeal of the bitter drink as "the communal suffering [that] brings us together."

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

	SUPPORT		SPOT	Δ	RESISTANCE		COMMENTS
EUR/USD	1.1460	1.1617	1.1625	0.22%	1.1874	1.2049	EUR/USD gains ground near 1.1630 level on sharp USD selling pressure, following dovish FED remarks. The EZ Retail sales with construction PMI ahead of the US NFP report and unemployment rate will draw investors' attention and provide the next direction. Meanwhile, the ECB and FED chatters, along with geopolitical tensions should also be monitored for further cues.
USD/JPY	155.00	156.00	156.40	-0.60%	157.00	158.00	USD/JPY declined below 157.00 level amid expectations for a BoJ hike increase and Fed hike ease. Later today, the all-important US NFP report will be the big elephant in the room that should trigger high volatility. Market players should also monitor the ME developments, treasury yields and FOMC member commentary for further cues.
GBP/USD	1.3380	1.3420	1.3530	0.30%	1.3653	1.4052	GBP/USD Today is a high-volatility event day dominated entirely by top-tier US labor market releases - US NFP, Unemployment Rate and Average Hourly Earnings. A miss on payrolls or a tick-up in unemployment will reinforce a dovish stance; this will trigger a breakout rally toward 1.3580-1.3650. Conversely, a strong report will likely push prices toward 1.3480-1.3450.
USD/CHF	0.7889	0.8012	0.8080	-0.43%	0.8143	0.8207	USD/CHF Today's directional trend hinges directly on the US NFP report: A hot print and solid wage growth should push yields higher and prices near 0.8150; on the flip side, any dovish shift in US rate expectations will weigh on the pair and expose eventually 0.8050-0.8010 if selling accelerates.

AROUND THE WORLD

CURRENCY	COUNTRY	RATE	Δ
USD / LBP		89500.00	0.00%
AUD / USD		0.7210	0.70%
USD / CAD		1.3790	-0.33%
USD / BRL		5.1005	0.14%
USD / AED		3.6725	-0.01%
USD / SAR		3.7550	0.00%
USD / KWD		0.3070	0.00%
USD / JOD		0.7090	0.00%
XAU	GOLD	4471.50	0.94%
XAG	SILVER	66.70	1.44%
WTI	OIL	91.55	1.50%

INTERBANK RATES

	USD	EUR	GBP	JPY
1 MONTH	3.65	2.10	3.86	0.85
3 MONTHS	3.97	2.55	4.05	1.22
6 MONTHS	4.21	2.75	4.27	1.39
1 YEAR	4.52	3.05	4.65	1.66

BEIRUT STOCK EXCHANGE

USD	CLOSE	Δ	VOLUME	HIGH	LOW
SOL A	70.50	-2.15%	9,520	71.25	70.00
SOL B	70.15	-1.13%	12	70.15	70.15
Ciments Libanais	50.00	0.00%	726	50.00	50.00
AUDI GDR	1.83	0.00%	0	-	-
BLOM GDR	7.02	0.00%	0	-	-
BYBLOS	0.65	0.00%	0	-	-

STOCK INDICES

DOW JONES		53,686.11	1.18%
NASDAQ		26,584.06	1.40%
S&P 500		7,747.71	1.06%

CAC 40		8,286.40	0.07%
FTSE		10,831.52	0.70%
GDAX		26,003.32	0.63%

NIKKEI		65,023.31	1.43%
HANG SENG		25,724.42	1.90%
SHANGHAI		3,966.46	0.58%

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	1161.85%	1057.84%
LEBANON MAR 27	USD	6.850%	23-Mar-27	27.375	29.375	481.09%	438.58%
LEBANON NOV 27	USD	6.750%	29-Nov-27	27.500	29.500	155.35%	144.99%
LEBANON MAR 28	USD	7.000%	20-Mar-28	27.500	29.500	122.26%	114.46%
LEBANON NOV 28	USD	6.650%	03-Nov-28	27.500	29.500	85.69%	80.55%
LEBANON MAY 29	USD	6.850%	25-May-29	27.500	29.500	69.69%	65.65%
LEBANON FEB 30	USD	6.650%	26-Feb-30	27.500	29.500	56.44%	53.24%
LEBANON APR 31	USD	7.000%	22-Apr-31	27.750	29.750	45.88%	43.36%
LEBANON MAR 32	USD	7.000%	23-Mar-32	28.000	30.000	40.47%	38.27%
LEBANON MAY 33	USD	8.200%	17-May-33	29.250	31.250	37.88%	35.88%
LEBANON MAY 34	USD	8.250%	17-May-34	29.250	31.250	35.62%	33.73%
LEBANON NOV 35	USD	7.050%	02-Nov-35	28.500	30.500	30.75%	29.09%
LEBANON MAR 37	USD	7.250%	23-Mar-37	28.500	30.500	29.68%	28.04%

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