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Summary

- Internal and key client use only
- Equities: In Europe, the STOXX 600 and DAX are both up +0.1% over the morning, while the FTSE 250 and CAC 40 have both added +0.2%. In the US, futures for the S&P 500 are up +0.1% this morning, while the Nasdaq closed at an all time high after adding +1.0%. In Asia, the S&P / ASX 200 closed +0.8% higher and both the Hang Seng and the Topix were up +0.1%, while the CSI 300 declined -0.1%.
- VIX: The CBOE market volatility index and the Euro Stoxx 50 volatility price index are currently 21.29 and 22.8, compared to long term averages of 19.9 and 23.9, respectively.
- Bonds: The US 10-year treasury yield and the German 10-year bund yield have both compressed -2bps to 0.67% and -0.47%, while the UK 10-year gilt yield has declined -1bp to 0.21%.
- Currency: Sterling has appreciated to \$1.32, the strongest it has been since January. The euro remains unchanged at \$1.19, albeit since March, the euro has seen an +11% appreciation against the dollar. Hedging benefits for US dollar denominated investors into the UK and the eurozone are 0.28% and 1.11% per annum on a five-year basis.
- Baltic Dry: The Baltic Dry index increased for its 14th consecutive session yesterday, up +0.2% to 1,598. This brings cumulative gains since 28th July to +26%.
- **Oil:** Brent Crude and the West Texas Intermediate (WTI) are currently \$45.41 and \$42.86 per barrel.
- Gold: The price of gold appreciated +2.0% yesterday to \$1,981 per troy ounce, albeit this is still -4% below the record high of \$2,063 reached on 6th August.
- UK Aviation Industry: After increasing flights to 60% of normal schedule over August, Ryanair has announced that it will decrease flights by -20% over the coming two months. Reductions to service will be focussed on countries that have seen worsening COVID-19 outbreaks, including France and Spain. Meanwhile, EasyJet has confirmed that it will close its bases in London Stanstead and Newcastle airport, but still fly a scaled down schedule, while completely pulling out of London Southend Airport.

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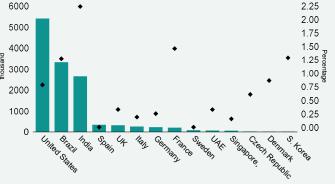
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COVID-19

Cumulative number of global cases World excl US US 23 20 18 15 ຶ້ 13 10 8 [otal 5 3 0 5 121926 4 111825 1 8 152229 6 132027 3 101724 1 8 152229 5 1219 2020 Feb 2020 Mar 2020 Apr 2020 May 2020 Jun 2020 Jul Source: Knight Frank, Macrobond. Last modified: 17 August 2020 11:00 GMT.

The number of total confirmed cases reached 21.3 million on the 16 August, an increase of 268k new cases over the day prior.





Source: Knight Frank, Macrobond, Last modified: 17 August 2020 00:00 GMT

The chart presents the number of cumulative cases (left axis) and the percentage change of new cases against the day before (right axis).

Volatility Index



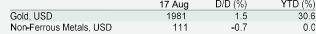
The CBOE VIX (colloquially known as the Investor fear gauge) is an indication of near term S&P 500 stock price volatility based on underlying options.

Commodities

Gold and non-ferrous metals price, USD

-Gold, USD, Ihs -Non-Ferrous Metals Index, USD, rhs





Brent Crude and West Texas Intermediate oil price

-Brent Crude - West Texas Intermediate (WTI)

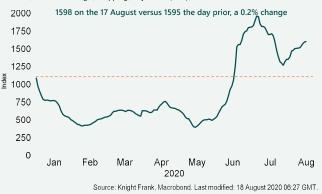


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Brent crude monitors the level of demand for raw materials and is a measure of economic activity. Lately also influenced by Saudi-Russia price war.

Baltic Dry Index (BDI)

-World, Baltic Exchange, Shipping, Dry Index (BDI), USD



Baltic Dry Index is a measure of what it costs to ship raw materials and is a leading indicator of global demand. A lower value means lower demand.

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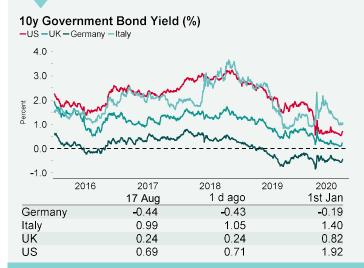
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Bonds and currencies

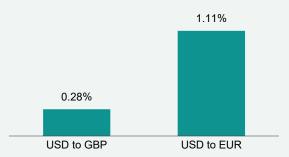


FX Spot Rates -EUR per GBP -USD per GBP



IT Aug 1 d ago 1st Jan EUR per GBP 1.11 1.11 1.18 USD per GBP 1.31 1.31 1.32

Currency hedging benefit p.a. based on a five year forward



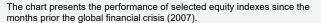
Source: Knight Frank, Investing.com

Approximate additional return per annum that dollar denominated investors may obtain based on five year currency hedge.

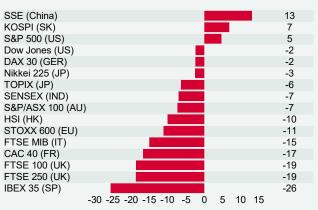
Equity and REIT



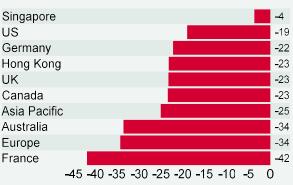
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Equity performance: YTD (%) Local currencies



REIT performance: YTD (%) Local currencies



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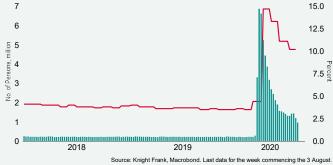
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US indicators

US Unemployment -Monthly Unemployment Rate, rhs New Weekly Jobless Claims, Ihs



The chart presents the number of Americans that each week file for unemployment benefits (left axis) and the overall monthly unemployment rate (right axis)

Central Banks Policy Rates

	Current Rate	Rate at 1/1/2020	YTD Change		
Advanced Economies					
Australia	0.25%	0.75%	-50 bps		
Canada	0.25%	1.75%	-150 bps		
Euro Area	0.00%	0.00%	0 bps		
France	0.00%	0.00%	0 bps		
Germany	0.00%	0.00%	0 bps		
Italy	0.00%	0.00%	0 bps		
Sweden	0.00%	-0.25%	25 bps		
Japan	-0.10%	-0.10%	0 bps		
United Kingdom	0.10%	0.75%	-65 bps		
United States	0.25%	1.75%	-150 bps		
Developing Economies					
Brazil	2.00%	4.50%	-250 bps		
China	4.35%	4.35%	0 bps		
India	4.00%	5.15%	-115 bps		
Mexico	4.50%	7.25%	-275 bps		
Russia	4.25%	6.25%	-200 bps		
Saudi Arabia	1.00%	2.25%	-125 bps		
South Korea	0.50%	1.25%	-75 bps		
Turkey	8.25%	12.00%	-375 bps		
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2020 Presidential Winner (probability of winning, %) -Trump -Biden

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	18 Aug	1 week ago	1 month ago
ump	46%	44%	38%
den	57%	60%	62%

Central Bank Assets Purchasing Programme

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	Lastest (\$)	MoM (%)	YoY (%)					
Advanced Economies								
Australia	199 bn	1.5%	74.5%					
Canada	405 bn	4.8%	351.0%					
Euro Area	7.53 tn	5.9%	43.9%					
France	1.78 tn	15.4%	40.7%					
Germany	2.68 tn	7.5%	37.3%					
Italy	1.49 tn	7.3%	33.1%					
Sweden	142 bn	7.5%	50.4%					
Japan	6.31 tn	3.4%	16.7%					
United Kingdom	783 bn	-0.1%	-1.5%					
United States	6.96 tn	0.2%	83.8%					
Developing Economies								
Brazil	571 bn	7.9%	3.9%					
China	5.11 tn	-0.6%	-1.7%					
India	377 bn	6.1%	31.3%					
Mexico	218 bn	3.7%	13.2%					
Russia	650 bn	2.9%	3.1%					
Saudi Arabia	481 bn	2.9%	-7.8%					
South Korea	471 bn	5.9%	8.2%					
Turkey	102 bn	-3.8%	-3.9%					

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	Fiscal measures details							
	UK	£330bn+: Government backed loans and guarantees equivalent to 15% of UK GDP. SMEs given access to cash grants. Support for furloughed employees of 80% salary ≤£2,500 per month. Furlough scheme extended until October 2020 with employers sharing the cost from August. Taxable grant for self-employed <£50k trading profit, worth 80% of monthly profits up to £2.5k, paid as a lump sum.						
- D /o	USA	\$3.0tn: 2 nd package passed 23 rd April, worth \$483 billon, increasing US stimulus to \$3 trillion (15% GDP).						
	EU	 €1.35tn: This includes €240bn to the European Stability Mechanism, and €200bn in ElB guarantees. On 4th June, the ECB extended the pandemic purchase programme (PEPP) until June 2021, purchasing an additional €600bn in bonds, taking total stimulus to €1.35tn. €750bn: a new recovery package for EU member states announced in July including €390bn in grants and €360 in interest free loans. 						
6	Germany	€880bn: The emergency aid measure approved on Monday 23 rd of March. In June an additional €130bn fiscal stimulus programme including VAT rate cut to 16% from 19% and one off 'children's bonus' payment.						
	Italy	€400bn: The stimulus announced on the 7 th April €25bn: Emergency package to support businesses and families.						
	France	 €45bn: The aid package for SMEs and other hard-hit sectors announced by the French government on 17th of March. Includes deferred corporate tax, social security charges and two months state payments to laid off workers. €300bn: government backed loans. 						
	Spain	€200bn: the aid package includes government loan guarantees to ensure liquidity for SMEs (the government said it would provide businesses with "all the liquidity they need"), other government commitments and private money.						
	Japan	\$2.2tn : Further stimulus announced in late May added \$1.1 trillion to the country's stimulus package, bringing total stimulus to \$2.18 trillion or 40% of GDP.						
	Hong Kong	HK\$10k for every adult citizen (c.£7bn).						

Source: Knight Frank, various sources



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This chart shows the change in severity of containment measures over time, up to the latest data. Green indicates a score of zero or no restrictions, while the darkest red indicates the highest restrictions or complete bans. Where grey, no new data is available.

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Overview of the severity of Covid-19 and the resulting containment measures

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In line with some of the fewest reported cases and the smallest reported deaths attributed to COVID-19, Taiwan has the lowest 'lockdown index' score at 19, indicating the restrictions in place are generally recommendations and are not enforced. Countries including Iraq, Argentina and Colombia have some of the highest 'lockdown index' scores. For most countries, public transport has the most relaxed restrictions. Taiwan, Tunisia, Norway, Poland, Netherlands and Greece are the only countries with no measures implemented on public events. Meanwhile, across the world, there is some measure of restriction on international travel. However, France is the exception, where international travel is freely permitted with no measures implemented.

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Total border closure

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