

Treasury & Investments Division

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Kuwaiti Dinar Rate

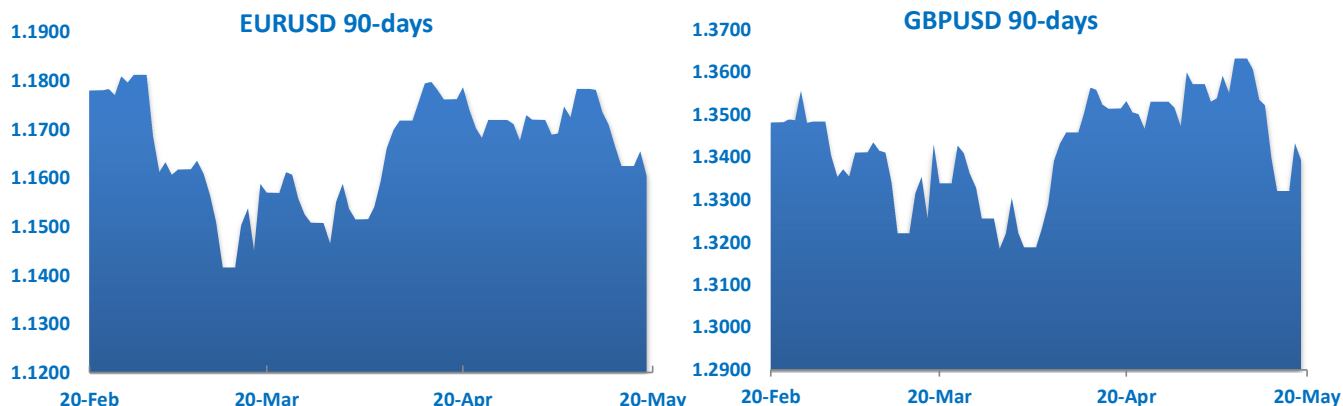
Buying

Selling

Central Bank Fixing

0.30675

0.30685



MARKET NEWS

US STOCKS-Wall St ends lower as inflation worries push up yields

- Wall Street's main indexes closed lower on Tuesday with the Nasdaq leading declines, after the benchmark 10-year Treasury yield climbed to its highest level in more than a year on mounting inflation concerns as oil prices stayed elevated and investors were anxious about the lack of a peace agreement between the U.S. and Iran.
- The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 322.24 points, or 0.65%, to 49,363.88, the S&P 500 lost 49.44 points, or 0.67%, to 7,353.61 and the Nasdaq Composite lost 220.02 points, or 0.84%, to 25,870.71.

Dollar at six-week high on rate-hike bets, Iran war uncertainty

- The U.S. dollar was steady near a six-week high on Wednesday as investors come to terms with the possible need for higher interest rates to tackle inflation due to the Iran war, pushing the Japanese yen back into the intervention zone.
- Against a basket of currencies, the dollar was steady at 99.306. The index is up more than 1% in May due to safe-haven demand and markets pricing in chances of the Federal Reserve hiking interest rates by the end of the year. The euro last bought \$1.1608, having touched its lowest level since April 8 in the previous session.

Oil falls after Trump says US will end Iran war 'very quickly'

- Oil prices eased after Donald Trump again asserted the war with Iran will end "very quickly", though investors remain wary about the outcome of peace talks amid continued disruptions to Middle East supply from the conflict.
- Brent crude oil futures fell 88 cents, or 0.8%, to \$110.40 a barrel, while U.S. West Texas Intermediate futures were down 67 cents, or 0.6%, to \$103.48. U.S. crude stockpiles reported by the Energy Information Administration are expected to have fallen by about 3.4 million barrels in the week to May 15, according to a Reuters poll.

PRECIOUS-Gold falls to 1-1/2-month low on higher US yields, firm dollar

- Gold prices slipped on Wednesday to their lowest point in 1-1/2 months, as high Treasury yields and a firm dollar outweighed optimism over a potential U.S.-Iran peace agreement.
- Spot gold was down 0.4% at \$4,464.64 per ounce having touched its weakest level since March 30. U.S. gold futures for June delivery lost 1% to \$4,466.40. Spot silver fell 0.3% to \$73.59 per ounce.

MARKET FX RATES as of 08:30 am

Currency	Last Price	%CHG 1D	1-Month High	1-Month Low	%CHG YTD
USD Index	99.19	↓ -0.09	99.43	97.6250	↑ 0.89
EUR	1.1594	↓ -0.09	1.1788	1.1604	↓ -1.29
GBP	1.3390	↓ -0.02	1.3636	1.3321	↓ -0.61
JPY	158.9500	↓ -0.06	160.4400	156.3900	↑ 1.46
CHF	0.7898	↑ 0.13	0.7913	0.7763	↓ -0.38
AUD	0.7098	↓ -0.15	0.7259	0.7109	↑ 6.40

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date	Time	Currency	Event	Forecast	Previous
20-May	2:00	JPY	Reuters Tankan N-Man Idx		31
20-May	9:00	GBP	PPI Input Prices YY NSA	5.9%	5.4%
20-May	9:00	GBP	PPI Input Prices MM NSA	1%	4.4%
20-May	9:00	GBP	RPIX YY		4%
20-May	9:00	GBP	PPI Core Output MM NSA		0.2%

GLOBAL INDICES as of 08:30 am

DOW JONES	49,686.12	↑ 0.32	EUROSTOXX	5,849.00	↑ 0.36
S&P 500	7,403.05	↓ (0.07)	CAC 40	7,987.49	↑ 0.44
FTSE 100	10,323.75	↑ 1.26	HANG SENG	25,675.18	↓ (1.11)

REGIONAL INDICES as of 08:30 am

KWT ALL SHARE PRICE	8,681.09	↓ (0.20)	Kuwait Oil	127.93	↓ (0.45)
KSA TADAWUL	10,956.10	↓ (0.11)	Brent	111.28	↓ (0.73)
DUBAI FINANCIAL	5,609.58	↓ (1.74)	West Texas	104.15	↓ (4.15)
EGYPT EXCHANGE 30	52,007.00	↓ (0.68)	Gold	4,481.28	↓ (1.86)

REFERENCE RATES as of 08:30 am

	O/N	1M	3M	6M		Currency	Rate
KWD (KIBOR)	2.4375	3.4375	3.5625	3.7500	Central Bank of Kuwait	KWD	3.50
USD (LIBOR)	--	--	--	--	Federal Funds Rate	USD	3.63
USD (CME SOFR)	3.5500	3.6226	3.6563	3.7313	European Central Bank	EUR	2.15
GBP (SONIA)	3.7299	3.7348	3.7458	3.8032	Bank of England	GBP	3.75
EUR (EURIBOR)	-	1.9680	2.2190	2.5940	Bank of Japan	JPY	0.75
-	-	-	-	-	Swiss National Bank	CHF	0.00

CENTRAL BANK RATES

GOVERNMENT YIELDS as of 08:30 am

	2-Years	5-Years	10-Years	30-Years
United States	4.12	4.33	4.68	5.19
United Kingdom	4.51	4.67	5.13	5.79
Germany	2.74	2.88	3.19	3.72
Japan	1.45	2.04	2.78	4.10

DEPOSIT RATES as of 08:30 am

Kuwaiti Dinar		KWD						
Minimum	Maximum	Tenor						
		< 1M	1M	3M -5M	6M-8M	9M-12M	1YR	2YR
5,000	25,000	2.500	3.125	3.375	3.375	3.4375	3.500	3.250
25,001	100,000	2.500	3.125	3.375	3.375	3.4375	3.500	3.250
100,001	250,000	2.500	3.125	3.375	3.375	3.4375	3.500	3.250
250,001	500,000	2.500	3.125	3.375	3.375	3.4375	3.500	3.250
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FOREIGN EXCHANGE TRANSFER RATES

as of 20th May 2026 - 08:30 AM

Currency	Against KWD	
	ABK Buy	ABK Sell
USD	0.306250	0.308350
EUR	0.354021	0.359560
GBP	0.408746	0.415211
CHF	0.386458	0.392587
CNY	0.044325	0.045675
JPY	0.001920	0.001950
AUD	0.216811	0.220180
CAD	0.221786	0.225331
SGD	0.238104	0.241794
INR	0.003142	0.003207
SAR	0.081409	0.082304
BHD	0.808814	0.818607
AED	0.083170	0.084182
QAR	0.083646	0.085258
OMR	0.793417	0.802231
EGP	-	0.005977
JOD	0.429408	0.438818
TRY	0.006432	0.006834

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