

# Euro wrap-up

### Overview

- On a better day for risk appetite Bunds made very modest losses and southern periphery bonds made gains, while euro area retail sales data disappointed.
- Gilts made losses on a quiet day for economic news in the UK. •
- Tuesday will bring IP data from Germany and the UK, and goods trade • data from Germany and France.

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Daily bond market movements						
Bond	Yield	Change*				
BKO 0 09/18	-0.634	+0.004				
OBL 0 10/21	-0.421	+0.007				
DBR 0 08/26	0.150	+0.015				
UKT 1¼ 07/18	0.188	+0.030				
UKT 3¾ 09/21	0.538	+0.046				
UKT 11/2 07/26	1.198	+0.069				
*Change from close as at 4.30pm GMT.						

Source: Bloomberg

## Euro area

#### Retail sales consistent with weaker consumption trend

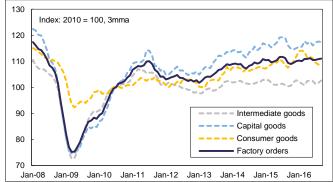
According to the preliminary estimate, euro area GDP growth in Q3 was sustained at the 0.3%Q/Q rate registered in Q2. But while there is no expenditure breakdown available, today's euro area retail sales figures for September suggested that consumer spending might have struggled even to match the 0.2%Q/Q growth rate of the second quarter, and was certainly well down on the 0.5%Q/Q average rate of the preceding six quarters. In particular, retail sales fell for the second successive month in September, down 0.2% M/M, to leave them unchanged over the third guarter as a whole from Q2. The drop at the euro area level was unsurprising not least given that we already knew that German retail sales fell 1.4% M/M, the most in more than two years, that month. But had it not been for increased spending on food, drinks and tobacco, which rose 0.6% M/M, sales would have been significantly weaker than the headline figure implied. Indeed, euro area 'core' retail sales (i.e. excluding sales of food and fuel) fell 1.0% M/M, the most in two years, leaving them down 0.2% Q/Q in Q3. Admittedly, overall consumer spending in Q3 was likely stronger than these retail figures suggest, with signs of support from other categories (e.g. new car registrations were up 0.5%Q/Q in Q3). But today's figures add to evidence of a slowdown in the trend of consumer spending growth in the euro area since the first quarter, likely related at least in part to an easing in real disposable income growth as inflation moves gradually higher. And with consumer confidence still down from its recent multi-year highs reached at the turn of the year, we certainly do not anticipate a marked acceleration in growth of consumer spending over the near term.

#### Softness in German factory orders likely temporary

Meanwhile, the first of numerous economic data releases related to the performance of the euro area's industrial sector due this week saw German factory orders miss expectations, falling in September by 0.6%M/M, the most since April. The detail was also somewhat disappointing, with the decline entirely concentrated in orders of capital goods, reflecting softer demand both at home and abroad. Looking through the recent volatility, however, the underlying trend still looks favourable, with factory orders still up 0.5% Q/Q in third guarter and capital goods orders up more than 1% Q/Q. While the industrial production figures for the same month, due tomorrow, are expected to show a modest drop on the month following a surge in August, overall IP likely returned to positive growth in Germany in the third quarter following a drop in Q2. And with economic surveys for October having signalled highly favourable conditions in the sector, e.g. with the new orders and output PMIs at their highest since early 2014 and the Ifo expectations index for the sector similarly the highest in two years, we are looking for a strengthening in German manufacturing production growth in the final quarter of the year.



#### Germany: Factory orders



Source: Thomson Reuters and Daiwa Capital Markets Europe Ltd.



#### The day ahead in the euro area and US

Tuesday brings the aforementioned German industrial production figures for September. We expect to see a decline of about  $\frac{1}{2}$  M/M partly as payback from the strong August reading (+2 $\frac{1}{2}$  M/M), which would still leave output in the sector up over the third quarter as a whole. German and French goods trade figures for September are also due.

All eyes, of course, will be on the US Presidential election, with the final polls to close – in Alaska and Hawaii – at midnight EST (5am GMT, Wednesday), the time shortly after which the defeated candidates in each of the past two elections made their televised concession speeches. Also in the US, the September JOLTS job openings report is also due and the US Treasury will sell 3Y Notes.

## UK

#### The day ahead in the UK

After a quiet start to the week in the UK today, which saw no notable economic data releases, tomorrow brings the latest industrial production figures for September. Having fallen by 0.4%M/M in the previous month, industrial output is expected to have been unchanged at the end of the third quarter, despite a reported improvement in business conditions in the manufacturing sector, where output is expected to have increased by 0.4%M/M, the fastest monthly pace since April. Meanwhile, the BRC's retail sales survey for October is also due tomorrow, while BoE Chief Economist Andy Haldane is scheduled to speak in London.

## European calendar

Economic data							
Country		Release	Period	Actual	Market consensus/ Daiwa forecast	Previous	Revised
EMU	$\langle \langle \rangle \rangle$	Retail sales M/M% (Y/Y%)	Sep	-0.2 (1.1)	-0.3 (1.2)	-0.1 (0.6)	-0.2 (1.2)
	300	ECB public sector asset purchases €bn	Weekly	17.1	<u>16.2</u>	17.2	-
Germany		Factory orders M/M% (Y/Y%)	Sep	-0.6 (2.6)	0.2 (3.5)	1.0 (2.1)	0.9 (2.0)
Spain	-E	Industrial production M/M% (Y/Y%)	Sep	-1.4 (0.8)	-0.5 (2.5)	1.4 (4.0)	1.6 (4.3)
UK		Halifax house price index M/M% (3M/Y%)	Oct	1.4 (5.2)	0.2 (4.9)	0.1 (5.8)	0.3 (-)
Country		Auction					
UK	NN NN	BoE APF operation purchased £1bn of 3-7Y Gilts (2.94 cover ratio)					

Source: Bloomberg and Daiwa Capital Markets Europe Ltd.



#### Tomorrow's data releases

Country		GMT	Release	Period	Market consensus/ Daiwa forecast	Previous
Germany		07:00	Industrial production M/M% (Y/Y%)	Sep	-0.5 (2.0)	2.5 (1.9)
		07:00	Trade balance €bn	Sep	22.4	20.1
		07:00	Current account balance €bn	Sep	24.5	17.9
		07:00	Imports (exports) M/M%	Sep	-0.2 (-0.8)	1.9 (3.4)
France		07:45	Trade balance €bn	Sep	-4.2	-4.3
		07:45	Current account balance €bn	Sep	-	-2.1
UK		00:01	BRC Sales like-for-like Y/Y%	Oct	0.6	0.4
		09:30	Industrial production M/M% (Y/Y%)	Sep	0.0 (0.8)	-0.4 (0.7)
		09:30	Manufacturing production M/M% (Y/Y%)	Sep	0.4 (-0.1)	0.2 (0.5)
		15:00	NIESR GDP 3M/3M%	Oct	-	0.4
Auctions ar	nd even	ts				
Country		GMT	Auction / Event			
Germany		10:30	Auction: To sell €500mn of 0.1% 2026 index-linked bonds (15-Apr-2026)			
UK		10:30	Auction: To sell £2.5bn of 1.75% 2037 bonds (07-Sep-2037)			
		14:50	BoE APF operation: To purchase 15Y+ Gilts			
		17:00	BoE's Haldane scheduled to speak in London			

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