

## Today's economic highlights...

### Dollar drifting as traders turn to central bankers

- SINGAPORE (Reuters) - The dollar hovered near recent lows on Tuesday as traders braced for a slew of central bank meetings from Australia to Europe and Canada this week, looking for any signs that they are making progress towards policy normalization.
- The possibility of a tapering delay in the United States, after weaker-than-expected jobs data on Friday, has put extra focus on policymakers elsewhere and put pressure on the dollar.
- First up is Australia, where an announcement is due at 0430 GMT. The Australian dollar has paused a recent rally as markets wait to see whether lockdowns in Sydney and Melbourne have derailed plans to taper bond purchases. [Read more...](#)

### Oil mixed, fears of slower demand weigh on sentiment

- TOKYO (Reuters) - Oil prices were mixed on Tuesday in quiet trade as some investors scooped up bargains following the recent losses while growing fears over slower demand after Saudi Arabia's sharp cuts to crude contract prices for Asia weighed on sentiment.
- [Brent crude](#) futures for November rose 31 cents, or 0.4%, to \$72.53 a barrel by 0452 GMT, after falling 39 cents on Monday.
- U.S. West Texas Intermediate crude for October was at \$69.14 a barrel, down 15 cents, or 0.2%, from Friday's close, with no settlement price for Monday due to Labor Day holiday in the United States. [Read more...](#)