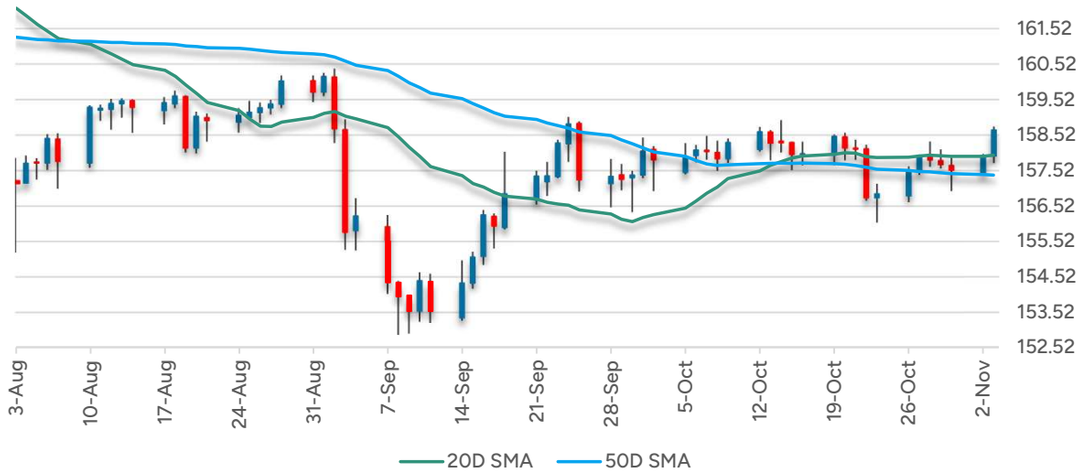
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Forex Market

JAPANESE YEN



CLOSE	1M %chg	3M %chg
158.66	0.53%	0.60%

USD/JPY as low as 157.70 on potential US Blue Wave
04 Nov 2026 05:56:08 AM
* USD/JPY through 158.00 to as low as 157.70 EBS on US midterm results
* Potential Blue Wave with Democrats making gains in Republican districts
* US Governors races also eye with Democrats doing better than eyed
* USD/JPY from 158.72 early high, to area of 157.48-76 hourly Ichi cloud
* Through 100-HMA at 157.85 and maybe towards 157.62 200-HMA in cloud
* Some option expiries today between 157.50-55, larger $1.4 bln 157.00-25

EURO



CLOSE	1M %chg	3M %chg
1.1193	-0.53%	-2.91%

EUR pairs mostly bid early Asia, heavy later
04 Nov 2026 07:41:10 AM
* EUR/USD 1.1187 to 1.1262 EBS before steadying, best since 1.1269 Oct 16
* Resistance seen to 1.1285 October 2 and ahead of 1.1300
* Distances itself away from 1.1187-96 hourly Ichimoku cloud
* Possible US Blue Wave favouring Democrats weighing on USD across the board
* Nearby option expiries today 1.1100-90 E2.7 bln, 1.1200-10 E2 bln
* Also between 1.1220-50 E2.9 bln, 1.1255-90 E2.4 bln, 1.1300-50 E1.5 bln

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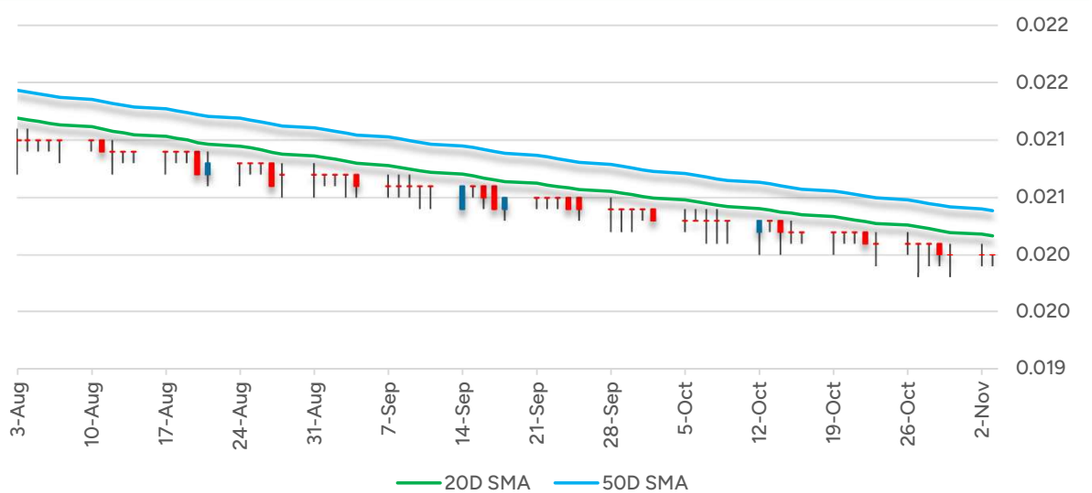
POUND STERLING



CLOSE	1M %chg	3M %chg
1.3411	1.28%	-0.28%

GBP/USD-Tests key Fibo as dollar index hits 5-week low
04 Nov 2026 06:58:56 AM
* GBP/USD up 0.4% in Asia on strong early Democrat showing in midterms
* Wall St futures drop as Democrats gain ground in battle for Congress
* Nasdaq futures -1.8% as regulatory risks for AI trade could increase
* USD sold broadly as results could complicate debt ceiling negotiations
* Focus shifts to BoE rate decision Thu, 25 bps hike fully priced in
* BoE vote split, Monetary Policy Report, guidance key for policy clues
* GBP tests 61.8% Fibo of Aug-Oct drop at 1.3469, clear break opens 1.3548
* Interim resistance 1.3500,1.3525-30, support 1.3430-35, 1.3400-05
* Tuesday range 1.3397-1.3432; Asia 1.3412-1.3474

TURKISH LIRA

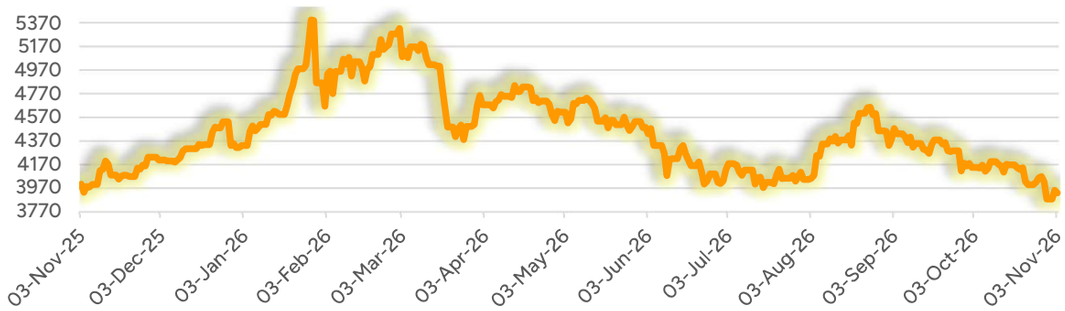


CLOSE	1M %chg	3M %chg
0.0200	-1.48%	-4.76%

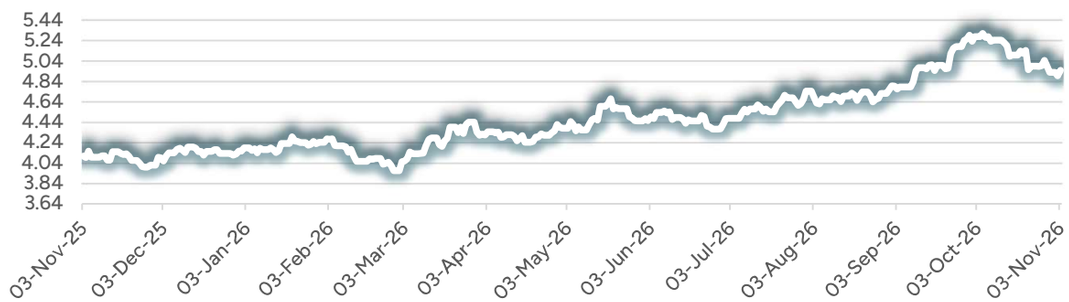
Turkey's October trade deficit narrows 11.4% to $6.7 billion
03 Nov 2026 11:50:32 AM
ISTANBUL, Nov 3 (Reuters) - Turkey's foreign trade deficit dropped by 11.4% year-on-year in October to $6.7 billion, Trade Minister Omer Bolat said on Tuesday. Exports rose by 8.1% year-on-year to $25.9 billion and imports rose 3.4% to $32.58 billion in October, data from the Trade Ministry showed. Turkey's foreign trade deficit widened 3.9% in January–October to $77.67 billion, data also showed.

Gold, US Treasury & Dollar Index

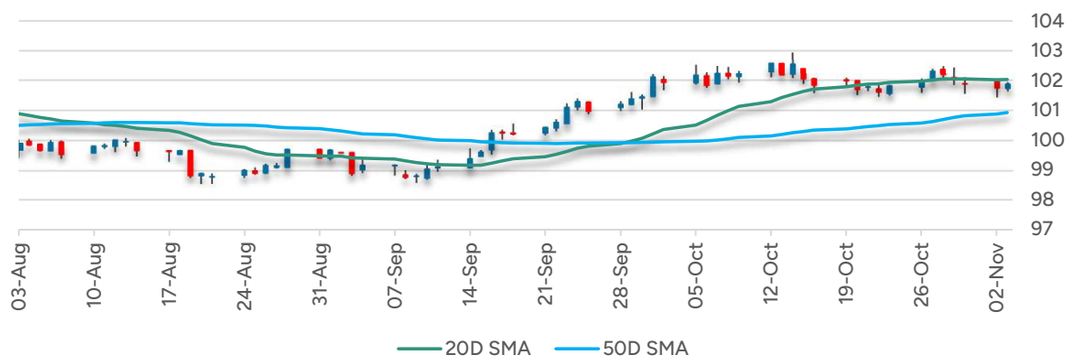
GOLD



10Y US-TREASURY



DOLLAR INDEX



US 10YT YIELD	1M %chg	3M %chg
4.90	-7.14%	5.90%

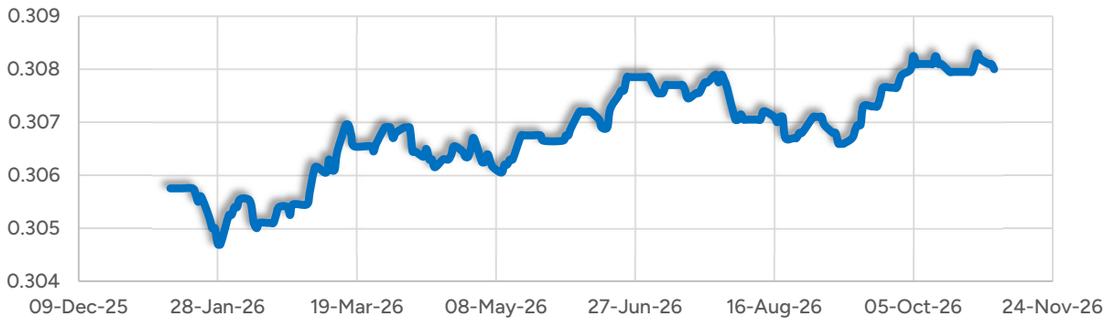
PRECIOUS-Gold rises as dollar weakens; Democrats score early wins in US midterm elections
04 Nov 2026 08:35:27 AM
Nov 4 (Reuters) - Gold prices rose on Wednesday, supported by a softer US dollar after Democrats scored early wins in the US midterm elections, while investors awaited the non-farm payrolls data later this week for clues on the Federal Reserve's policy path. Spot gold XAU= was up 0.5% at $3,947.49 per ounce, while US gold futures GCcv1 for December delivery rose 0.5% to $3,958.00. "$4,000 is the obvious resistance level — and a break (on) either side of that range could dictate gold's next decent move," said Matt Simpson, senior market analyst at StoneX. India's gold demand is expected to fall to a six-year low in 2026, as elevated prices weigh on jewellery sales and investment demand moderates, the World Gold Council (WGC) said on Tuesday. Among other metals, spot silver XAG=fell 0.8% to $49.38, platinum XPT= slipped 1.2% to $1,399.72 and palladium XPD= dropped 0.2% to $932.07.

UPCOMING KEY ECONOMIC INDICATOR RELEASES

INDICATOR	Ctry / Regn	Time	For	Prior	Consensus
Monetary Base YY	JP	04/Nov 02:50	Oct	-15.21%	
S&P Composite Final PMI	EU	04/Nov 12:00	Oct	51.9	51.9
S&P Services Final PMI	EU	04/Nov 12:00	Oct	51.7	51.7
Reserve Assets Total	GB	04/Nov 12:30	Oct	225911.02Mn$	
S&P GLOBAL PMI: COMPOSITE - OUTP	GB	04/Nov 12:30	Oct	53.1	53.1
HICP Flash YY	EU	04/Nov 13:00	Oct	3.80%	4.00%
HICP-X F, E, A, T Flash MM	EU	04/Nov 13:00	Oct	0.20%	
HICP-X F,E,A&T Flash YY	EU	04/Nov 13:00	Oct	2.50%	2.50%
S&P Global Comp Op Final SA	JP	05/Nov 03:30	Oct	52.3	
S&P Global SVC PMI Final SA	JP	05/Nov 03:30	Oct	52	
S&P GLOBAL PMI: MSC COMPOSITE -	GB	05/Nov 12:30	Oct	51.5	

Daily Market Report

KWD - CBK FIX



MARKET SUMMARY

INSTRUMENT	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE	%CHG 1D
EUR	1.1183	1.1206	1.1174	1.1193	0.07%
GBP	1.3405	1.3435	1.3392	1.3411	0.04%
JPY	157.93	158.76	157.73	158.66	0.46%
TRY	0.02	0.02	0.0199	0.02	0.00%
Dollar Idx	101.731	101.942	101.624	101.867	0.12%
Brent	104.45	107.24	100.8	103.6	-1.12%
WTC	99.18	100.46	97.09	99.64	-0.42%
Gold	3947.37	3970.52	3893.31	3928.25	-0.49%
KWSE Index	8370.44	8432.13	8369.88	8430.34	1.00%

KIBOR RATES

Tenor	Value	Tenor	Value
ON	2.81	3M	3.56
SW	3.31	6M	3.81
1M	3.38	1Y	4.00

CENTRAL BANK OF KUWAIT

KWD (CBK FIX) CLOSE	3M% CHG
0.30805	0.28%

POLICY RATES INDICATOR	As of	Value	Prior	Change
ON Repo Rate	11/Dec/'25	3.13	3.38	-0.25
1W Repo Rate	11/Dec/'25	3.38	3.63	-0.25
1M Repo Rate	11/Dec/'25	3.63	3.88	-0.25
KWD ON Rate	11/Dec/'25	10.00	10.00	0.00
Discount Rate	11/Dec/'25	3.50	3.75	-0.25

SOFR RATES

Tenor	Value	Tenor	Value
1M	3.90	6M	4.16
3M	4.04	1Y	4.38

OTHER C-BANK RATES

INDICATOR	As of	Value	Prior	Change
FED Target Rate	16/Sep/'26	4.00	3.75	0.25
ECB Refinancing Rate	29/Oct/'26	2.65	2.65	0.00
BOE Bank Rate	19/Jun/'25	4.25	4.25	0.00
BOJ Prime Rate	09/Oct/'26	3.70	3.70	0.00
TRY ON Lending Rate	23/Oct/'26	39.00	40.00	-1.00

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KEY INTERNATIONAL STORIES

US job openings jump in September; layoffs lowest in 1-1/2 years

WASHINGTON, Nov 3 (Reuters) - US job openings surged in September while layoffs fell to the lowest level in 1-1/2 years, supporting economists' views that the labor market remained on firmer footing despite tepid employment gains during that month. The Labor Department's Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey, or JOLTS report, on Tuesday also showed the largest number of resignations in nearly 3-1/2 years. There were 1.06 job openings for every unemployed person in September. This ratio was up from 1.02 in August. Economists polled had forecast 7.100 million unfilled positions in September.

UK's new tax break for entrepreneurs is "dreadful" policy, IFS boss says

Nov 3 (Reuters) - A new tax break for company founders announced by British finance minister John Healey last week is a "dreadful" way to support entrepreneurship, the head of the Institute for Fiscal Studies think tank said on Tuesday. From April, Britain will implement a "founders' relief" tax break, which offers a reduced 10% capital gains tax rate on up to £10 million ($13.4 million) of lifetime gains for qualifying founders of high-growth companies. The finance ministry predicted the founders' relief would cost taxpayers £1.3 billion in total from the 2027/28 financial year to 2031/32.

Canadian factory PMI shows sector contracting for first time in 2026

TORONTO, Nov 2 (Reuters) - Canada's manufacturing sector contracted in October for the first time this year as tariffs and geopolitical uncertainty weighed on activity, and after inflation pressures intensified. The S&P Global Canada Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index fell to 49.6 last month from 51.5 in September, marking the first move below the 50 threshold since December. A reading below 50 indicates contraction in the sector. The output index fell to 48.4 from 50.8 in September, while the new orders measure was at 46.5, down from 49.3 and the lowest reading since September 2025.

China's services growth slows to three-month low as confidence weakens

BEIJING, Nov 4 (Reuters) - China's services activity in October expanded at its slowest pace since July, with business confidence easing as firms grappled with fierce competition and rising costs, a private-sector survey showed on Wednesday. The RatingDog China General Services PMI fell to 50.8 in October from 51.6 in September, remaining above the 50 mark that separates growth from contraction but marking its weakest reading since July. However, increased competition led services firms to lower their average selling prices for the second month, with the week-long Golden Week holiday offering little support.

Brazil economists raise inflation, rate forecasts after Lula reelection

SAO PAULO, Nov 3 (Reuters) - Private-sector economists raised their forecasts for Brazil's inflation and interest rates in the first weekly central bank poll since left-wing President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva's reelection on October 25, the survey showed on Tuesday. The forecast for inflation at the end of 2027 rose to 4.76% from 4.34%, while expectations for the central bank's benchmark interest rate increased to 13.50% from 13.25% for end-2026 and to 12.50% from 11.75% for end-2027. GDP growth forecasts for 2026 and 2027 fell to 1.76% and 1.2%, respectively, from 1.8% and 1.31% in the previous survey.

Oil edges down as investors await US midterm election results

BEIJING, Nov 4 (Reuters) - Oil prices slipped in early trade on Wednesday as investors awaited the results of the US midterm elections and their potential impact on peace talks in the Middle East, even after industry data showed US crude stocks unexpectedly fell last week. Brent futures LCOc1 fell 26 cents, or 0.25%, to $103.34 a barrel. US West Texas Intermediate crude futures CLc1 fell 53 cents, or 0.55%, to $95.56. Meanwhile, crude stocks fell by 5.27 million barrels in the week ended October 30, market sources said on Wednesday, citing data from the American Petroleum Institute.

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