## **Bank Dhofar Morning Market Update**

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## **Global Update**

Global stocks paused after a record-breaking run, with a sharp selloff in heavyweight technology shares dragging markets lower and futures indicating further declines. Contracts for the Nasdaq 100 index declined 0.5% after the gauge had its second-worst drop since April's tariff shock on stock rotation. Futures for the S&P 500 retreated 0.3% and those for European stocks fell 0.7% after Asian shares tumbled the most in more than two weeks. Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. and SoftBank Corp. led the declines. Oil rose 0.2%, recouping some losses from the prior session. A gauge of the dollar extended its gains to a third day. The New Zealand dollar weakened and bonds rallied after the central bank lowered rates by 25 basis points and suggested there was scope for more cuts. Investors pared back positions in technology stocks — the market's longtime leaders — amid growing concern that the rally since April has advanced too far and too quickly. That momentum will be further tested this week as focus turns to Jackson Hole, Wyoming, where Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell is set to speak on Friday with traders firming up bets on a September cut.

The yen edges slightly higher against the dollar. Japanese government bonds are expected to gain, mirroring moves in US Treasuries, as traders hold on to expectations for US rate cuts as early as September. The collapse in the yen's linkage to interest-rate differentials over the last year is the largest among all Group-of-10 currencies, according to Goldman Sachs analysts who argue that the end of the Bank of Japan's yield-curve control program early last year explains the waning sensitivity to spreads.



Source: Reuters, Bloomberg

Currencies				Rates			
	Open	High	Low		Last Price	Previous Day Close	
EURUSD	1.1647	1.1651	1.1622	O/N SOFR	4.340	4.340	
GBPUSD	1.3491	1.3493	1.3462	1 month SOFR	4.340	4.340	
USDJPY	147.67	147.8200	147.42	3 month SOFR	4.204	4.204	
USDINR	87.17	87.17	87.00	6 months SOFR	4.050	4.050	
USDCNY	7.1873	7.1893	7.1841	12 month SOFR	3.822	3.822	
USDCHF	0.8077	0.8093	0.8070	3 years IRS	3.425	3.423	
AUDUSD	0.6454	0.6462	0.6429	5 years IRS	3.468	3.466	
NZDUSD	0.5893	0.5900	0.5821	S&P 500 futures fell 0.3% as of 1:23 p.m. Tokyo time. Japan's Topix fell			

The Bloomberg Dollar Spot Index was little changed. The euro fell 0.1% to \$1.1635. The Japanese yen rose 0.1% to 147.52 per dollar. The offshore yuan was little changed at 7.1888 per dollar. Bitcoin was little changed at \$113,631.44. Ether rose 0.2% to \$4,164.75. West Texas Intermediate crude was little changed. Spot gold was little changed

0.6%. Australia's S&P/ASX 200 rose 0.5%. Hong Kong's Hang Seng fell 0.6%. The Shanghai Composite was little changed. Euro Stoxx 50 futures fell 0.7%. The yield on 10-year Treasuries was little changed at 4.31%. Japan's 10-year yield was little changed at 1.595%. Australia's 10-year yield declined four basis points to 4.29%

				Global Markets			
CBO Repo Rate			Current Levels 5		Level	1-Day Change (%)	YTD (%)
O/N OMIBOR			4.285	S&P 500	6411	-0.586	9.01
			4.25	Euro Stoxx 600	558	0.686	9.89
*Bank Deposit Rates for 1 years		ShanghaiComposite Index		3725	-0.056	11.14	
Bank Deposit Rates for 5 years			3.93	MSX-30	4918	-0.250	7.45
*Amount>500k OMR				NIFTY-50	24993	0.051	5.70
Calendar			Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	65.99	0.319	-8.76	
Key Data Watch	Time (GST)	Expected	Prior	Gold (\$/oz.)	3320	0.132	26.51
MBA Mortage Aplications (US)	15:00	-	3.1%	DXY	98	0.092	-9.34
CPI YoY (UK)	22:00	3.4%	3.4%	Silver(\$/oz.)	37	-0.561	28.65

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