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Key Market Highlights:

- The latest data from S&P Global shows that the US manufacturing and services sectors performed better than anticipated in October. The preliminary Manufacturing PMI reached 47.8, slightly above the expected 47.5 and the previous month's 47.3. Meanwhile, the Services PMI rose to 55.3, exceeding the forecast of 55 and September's 55.2. Despite prior economic challenges due to tight monetary policy, these improved PMI readings suggest signs of recovery, closely watched by markets for potential impacts on the U.S. dollar. In the PMI system, readings above 50 indicate growth, while those below 50 signal contraction.
- The University of Michigan's US consumer sentiment index for October 2024 was revised up to 70.5, marking its highest level in six months and a third consecutive monthly increase. Improvements were seen in both economic conditions (64.9) and expectations (74.1), driven by better buying conditions for durable goods amid easing interest rates. Consumer sentiment was also influenced by the upcoming election. Year-ahead inflation expectations remained steady at 2.7%, while five-year expectations edged down to 3%, aligning with earlier estimates.

Technical Levels	Support 2	Support 1	Spot	Resistance 1	Resistance 2
EUR	1.0700	1.0760	1.0790	1.0880	1.0900
GBP	1.2850	1.2900	1.2950	1.3000	1.3040
JPY	152.40	153.05	153.60	153.90	154.60
CHF	0.8580	0.8635	0.8695	0.8725	0.8800

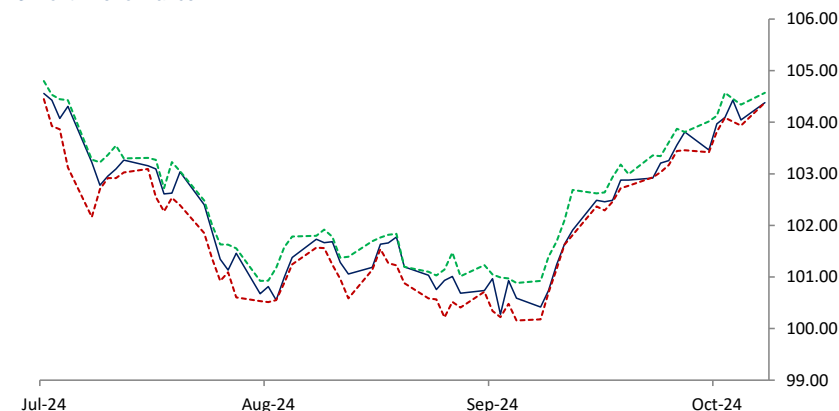
Brief Technical Commentary

The EURUSD price shows more bearish bias to approach 1.0760 level to suggest resuming the main bearish trend, breaking this level will push price towards 1.0700 and 1.0650 levels.

The USDJPY price bounced upwards strongly in today's open, bullish trend is expected to continue today targeting 154.60 and 155.00 levels.

Economic Events	Country	Event	Actual	Forecast	Previous
29-Oct-24	USD	CB Consumer Confidence		99.2	98.7
29-Oct-24	USD	JOLTS Job Openings		7.92M	8.04M
30-Oct-24	AUD	CPI q/q		0.3%	1.0%
30-Oct-24	AUD	CPI y/y		2.3%	2.7%
30-Oct-24	EUR	German Prelim CPI q/q		0.2%	0.0%
30-Oct-24	USD	ADP Non-Farm Employment Change		101K	143K
30-Oct-24	USD	Advance GDP q/q		3.0%	3.0%
31-Oct-24	CNY	Manufacturing PMI		50.0	49.8
31-Oct-24	JPY	Monetary Policy Statement			
01-Nov-24	USD	Non-Farm Employment Change		111K	254K

US Dollar Index
3-Month Performance



Currencies	Closing	YTD %	Closing	YTD %	
EUR/USD	1.0793	2.15	EUR/GBP	0.8330	3.95
GBP/USD	1.2959	1.86	GBP/JPY	197.37	10.76
USD/JPY	152.30	8.72	EUR/JPY	164.43	6.41
USD/CHF	0.8665	3.16	EUR/CHF	0.9355	0.97

Commodities	Last Price	% Change	Global Indices	Last Price	% Change
Kuwait Oil	74.32	2.77	Dow Jones	42,114.40	0.61
Brent	72.75	3.30	Nikkei 225	38,605.53	1.82
West Texas	68.54	3.24	S&P 500	5,808.12	0.03
Gold	2,741.79	0.22	KuwaitSE	7,611.82	1.98

Local & Global Rates (%)	O/N	1-Month	3-Month	6-Month	1-Year
KWD	3.44	3.69	3.94	4.13	4.31
USD	4.83	4.71	4.60	4.43	4.15
EUR	3.15	3.13	3.06	2.89	2.57
GBP	4.95	4.82	4.70	4.54	4.26

Government Yields (%)	1-Year	2-Year	5-Year	10-Year	30-Year
United States	4.25	4.13	4.10	4.28	4.54
Germany	2.36	2.18	2.16	2.34	2.64
United Kingdom	4.39	4.13	4.08	4.23	4.72
Japan	0.33	0.45	0.59	0.97	2.21

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