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## MARKET ALERT

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CURRENCIES	Spot	6mths	
NZD/USD	0.6382	-0.0007	
NZD/AUD	0.9367	-0.0010	
NZD/JPY	68.16	-0.27	
NZD/EUR	0.5703	-0.0030	
NZD/GBP	0.5168	-0.0010	
NZD/CNH	4.5171	0.0370	
AUD/USD	0.6813	0.0000	
AUD/EUR	0.6090	-0.0026	
EUR/USD	1.1187	0.0047	
USD/CNH	7.1227	0.0655	
GBP/USD	1.2348	0.0012	
EUR/GBP	0.9060	0.0030	
INT RATES	NZ Australia		
OCR/Cash	0.25%	0.25%	
90 day bills	0.29%	0.11%	
2 year swap	0.22%	0.19%	
10 year Govt	0.89%	0.86%	

## We will recover ... and retain our rating

Fed Chairman, Jerome Powell, was on the news wires as we entered the weekend stating the "US will recover but it will take time and work." Interestingly, he then added that the pandemic has seen outsized effects on many areas that were already suffering, and it has exposed a range of inequalities.

Moody's has affirmed the US of A's sovereign credit rating at Aaa, with a stable outlook. And it's probably not surprising given that in 2013, the US

government sued the S&P rating agency in 'retaliation' for its downgrade of the country's credit rating. S&P may have been right, but it did apparently cost them USD1.5 billion when they eventually settled.

New COVID-19 cases and re-opening surges seem to be the story of the day. Apple has announced they're closing some US stores again because of virus spikes and Israel warned it may have to renew lockdown restrictions.

An interesting pandemic related positive has been a record USD2 trillion surge in cash that has hit the deposit accounts of US banks. In April alone, deposits grew by USD865 billion, more than the previous record for an entire year. Unfortunately, deposit gains were concentrated at the very top of the banking industry as JPMorgan Chase, Bank of America and Citigroup grew much faster than smaller firms in the first quarter.

Foreign purchases of Chinese bonds doubled to USD19.4 billion in May as 'hot money' flows sought to trade on the yield differential. Chinese banks also reported a 61% rise in FX trading, to USD23.8 billion, during the month as firms and individuals converted USD into yuan.

In New Zealand, a local investigation has found 73 companies, who received

a total of NZD8 million of wage subsidy payments, have gone into receivership or liquidation.

Following last weeks subdued close, this morning markets have opened a touch softer, with the NZD and AUD at 0.6385 and 0.6815 respectively against the USD.

## Where's the loose change jar?

Wirecard's, a German payments company that has often been espoused as the future of Germany's finance industry, saw its shares plunge 72% last week after a disclosure that it was unable to locate EUR1.9 billion, about a quarter of its balance sheet. Best they have a look down the back of the company sofa!

In the weekend's most unsurprising political news Russian President, Vladimir Putin, has announced he'll consider running for a fifth presidential term in 2024, as any hunt for a successor risks paralyzing the Russian government.

In the week ahead, from the US we have GDP, personal consumption, durable goods, existing and new home sales and PMI's. Elsewhere, we have monetary policy decisions from China and New Zealand, as well as PMI readings from the UK, Eurozone, Japan and Australia.

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## DAILY RATES

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EV	Spot FECs (mid)				Spot Mid			
FX	Mid	1mth	3mths	6mths	12mths		NZD/	AUD/
NZ TWI	71.33					CAD	0.8688	0.9275
NZD/USD	0.6382	-0.0001	-0.0003	-0.0007	-0.0013	CHF	0.6076	0.6487
NZD/AUD	0.9367	-0.0002	-0.0005	-0.0010	-0.0015	CNY	4.5311	4.8372
NZD/JPY	68.16	-0.04	-0.13	-0.27	-0.62	DKK	4.2536	4.5410
NZD/EUR	0.5703	-0.0004	-0.0015	-0.0030	-0.0062	FJD	1.3958	1.4902
NZD/GBP	0.5168	-0.0001	-0.0005	-0.0010	-0.0021	HKD	4.9447	5.2789
						KRW	777.01	829.52
<b>AU TWI</b>	60.00					MYR	2.7477	2.9334
AUD/USD	0.6813	0.0001	0.0001	0.0000	-0.0004	NOK	6.1418	6.5568
AUD/NZD	1.0676	0.0002	0.0006	0.0011	0.0017	SEK	6.0246	6.4317
<b>AUD/JPY</b>	72.76	-0.03	-0.09	-0.21	-0.55	SGD	0.8918	0.9521
<b>AUD/EUR</b>	0.6090	-0.0004	-0.0012	-0.0026	-0.0057	TWD	18.96	20.24
AUD/GBP	0.5517	-0.0001	-0.0002	-0.0005	-0.0014	ZAR	11.1368	11.8894
USD Index	97.62							
<b>EUR/USD</b>	1.1187	0.0008	0.0024	0.0047	0.0099	EQUITIES		
USD/JPY	106.80	-0.06	-0.15	-0.31	-0.75			Index
<b>GBP/USD</b>	1.2348	0.0002	0.0006	0.0012	0.0025	NZX50		11,255
<b>EUR/GBP</b>	0.9060	0.0005	0.0014	0.0030	0.0062	ASX2	00	5,943
						<b>Dow Jones</b> 25,871		
INTEREST		New Ze	New Zealand Australia		ralia	S&P 500		3,098
RATES		Borrow	Invest	Borrow	Invest	FTSE	100	6,293
						DAX 3	30	12,331
30 day bank b	ills	0.29%	0.25%	0.09%	0.09%	Nikkei	i	22,479
90 day bank b	ills	0.31%	0.27%	0.13%	0.09%			
FRA 90d in 31	mths	0.32%	0.29%	0.18%	0.13%	COMMODITIES		
FRA 180d in 6	ómths	0.24%	0.21%	0.24%	0.20%			USD
1 year swap*		0.27%	0.24%	0.15%	0.14%	Dubai	Light	41.46
2 year swap*		0.24%	0.21%	0.19%	0.18%	Brent Crude 42		42.19
3 year swap*		0.26%	0.23%	0.24%	0.23%	Gold 1,7		1,742.28
5 year swap*		0.38%	0.34%	0.43%	0.42%	Silver	Silver 17.	
10 year swap*	•	0.75%	0.72%	0.86%	0.85%	CRB I	ndex	146.52
10 year Govt l	bond		0.88%		0.86%			
* Semi-annual rate resets except AUD 1.2.3 year quarterly						SOURCE	E: Bloomberg	

<sup>\*</sup> Semi-annual rate resets except AUD 1,2,3 year quarterly

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