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# uro wrap-up



#### **Overview**

- Bunds were little changed as the Commission survey signalled a
  widespread deterioration in euro area economic sentiment but flash French
  inflation figures surprised on the upside.
- Gilts were also little changed ahead of the resumption of the EU-UK negotiations tomorrow.
- The coming week brings the flash November estimate of euro area inflation as well as new data on car registrations and retail sales, while ECB policymakers will make final public comments before the next policy meeting.

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Daily bond market movements								
Bond	Yield	Change						
BKO 0 12/22	-0.769	+0.001						
OBL 0 10/25	-0.772	-0.003						
DBR 0 08/30	-0.589	-						
UKT 1¾ 09/22	-0.056	+0.001						
UKT 05% 06/25	-0.013	+0.002						
UKT 4¾ 12/30	0.285	+0.007						

\*Change from close as at 4:30pm GMT. Source: Bloomberg

#### Euro area

#### Commission survey underscores likelihood of drop in GDP in Q4 despite manufacturing resilience

Consistent with the <u>flash PMIs</u> and national sentiment surveys from <u>Germany and France</u> released earlier this week, the European Commission's business and consumer survey flagged a clear deterioration in confidence for the first time since April to underscore the likelihood of a drop in euro area GDP in Q4. The headline Economic Sentiment Index (ESI) dropped 3.5pts to a level broadly in line with that in August. The ESIs for each of the four largest member states also fell back, with Italy (down more than 8pts) and France (down almost 5pts) seeing the most notable declines.

Given the impact of pandemic containment measures, the most notable weakening was predictably recorded in services, for which the headline index fell more than 5pts – the most since April – to -17.3, the lowest since July. Demand expectations in services notably fell, as firms in many sub-sectors expect restrictions to be extended into the New Year. Sentiment in retail, construction and financial services was also weaker. And the significant deterioration in the flash estimate of consumer confidence, to the lowest level since May, was confirmed. In contrast, the equivalent measure of industrial confidence fell less than 1pt to -10.1, still above the range from March to September, as a further improvement in orders partly offset a worsening in manufacturing production expectations, which might well reflect concerns that services weakness will soon result in reduced demand for goods. Among other disappointing detail, the Commission's Employment Expectations Indicator fell for a second successive month to the lowest since June, due particularly to the weaker conditions in retail trade, services and construction. And while consumer price expectations firmed, selling price expectations fell in all sectors.

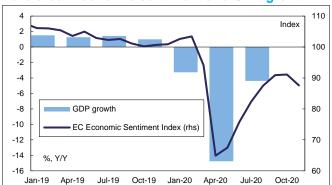
#### French spending on goods was strong in October ahead of closure of non-essential stores

Despite weaker sentiment among consumers and retail firms, French spending on goods remained strong in October benefiting from money that would previously have been spent on face-to-face services. Broadly tallying with the <u>Bank of France's</u> estimate of retail sales, consumption of goods rose 3.7%M/M to be up 2.7%Y/Y, as households appeared to stock up on food items (7.1%M/M) ahead of this month's closure of non-essential items. While spending on manufactured goods was stable, car purchases picked up after two months of decline, but expenditure on clothing again fell markedly.

#### Q3 GDP growth revised up, consumption close to pre-Covid level, as savings rate snapped back

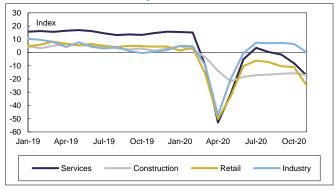
Meanwhile, updated Q3 national accounts data showed that French GDP growth was 0.4ppt stronger than previously thought last quarter, rising 18.7%Q/Q to be down 3.9%Y/Y. All components of final domestic demand rebounded sharply, with household consumption up a vigorous 17.9%Q/Q to be down just 1.3%Y/Y. Growth in spending on engineered goods (39.4%Q/Q) beat that on services (20.4%Q/Q) while spending on food slipped back (-3.3%Q/Q). Despite a rebound of

#### **Euro area: Economic sentiment and GDP growth**



Source: Refinitiv and Daiwa Capital Markets Europe Ltd.

#### Euro area: Sectoral expectations indices\*



\*Assessment of orders for construction. Source: European Commission, Refinitiv and Daiwa Capital Markets Europe Ltd.



23.9%Q/Q, gross fixed investment was down 4.8%Y/Y. Exports (up 22.1%Q/Q) outpaced imports (up 16.8%Q/Q). So, net trade made a positive contribution of 0.7ppt to GDP growth having subtracted 2.3ppts from the drop in Q2. Inventories contributed negatively for a second successive quarter. Household gross disposable income rebounded at the strongest pace since 1983, rising 3.7%Q/Q in Q3 following a drop of 2.6%Q/Q previously to be up 1.0%Y/Y, supported by increased jobs and pay as workers returned from furlough. As consumer spending rebounded vigorously, the household savings rate fell an extremely steep 10ppts to 16.5% in Q3, but nevertheless remained 1.6ppts above its 2019 average (14.9%).

#### French inflation in November surprises on the upside

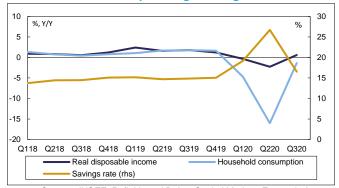
France also today published the first of the flash estimates of consumer price inflation in November from the member states. Contrary to expectations of a slight decline, inflation rose for a second successive month, with the EU-harmonised measure rising 0.1ppt to 0.2%Y/Y. The limited detail published on the national measure – which rose 0.2ppt, also to 0.2%Y/Y – showed that higher prices of services (up 0.7%Y/Y, the most in three months) and fresh food (up 10.6%Y/Y, the most since June) were the cause of the rise in headline inflation. In contrast, inflation of manufactured goods fell the most in five months (-0.4%Y/Y), while the pace of decline in energy prices was steady at -7.8%Y/Y. We note, however, that due to the pandemic containment measures, 40% of items in the inflation basket – largely of services – needed to be imputed by the statisticians, and so these data will not necessarily have provided an accurate guide to French inflation this month.

#### The week ahead in the euro area

The economic news-flow from the euro area is unlikely to make many big headlines in the coming week. Nevertheless, in terms of new data, the flash estimates of November inflation from Germany, Italy and Spain are due on Monday ahead of the euro area figures on Tuesday. Despite today's upside surprise from France, we expect the euro area headline rate of inflation to remain at -0.3%Y/Y, the lowest rate since February 2015, with the core rate holding at 0.2%Y/Y. We caution, however, that, given pandemic containment measures, a large share of the data will need to be imputed by the statisticians, rendering the inflation rates a less reliable guide to price movements than usual. Among the other data, retail sales data from Germany and the euro area are due on Wednesday and Thursday respectively. As in France, retail sales are expected to have risen further in October. However, car registrations data from the four largest member states for November are likely to be weak, with the closure of showrooms in some member states acting as a restraint. Meanwhile, German factory orders data for October are due on Friday. And survey results for November to be published in the coming week include the final manufacturing PMIs on Tuesday, final services and composite measures on Thursday and the construction PMIs on Friday.

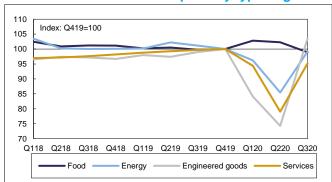
Policy-wise, ahead of the "quiet period" before the ECB's next monetary policy announcement on 10 December, Christine Lagarde will speak publicly on Monday and Tuesday while Chief Economist Lane will speak publicly on Wednesday. In addition, the Eurogroup of Finance Ministers will hold a videoconference on Monday with topics to be discussed including reforms to the ESM and the backstop to the Single Resolution Fund.

#### France: Household spending, saving and incomes



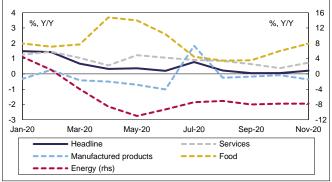
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#### France: Household consumption by type of good



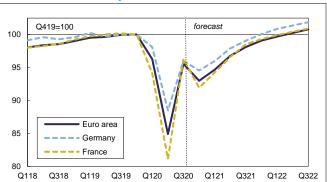
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#### France: Consumer price inflation\*



\*National measure. Flash estimates for November 2020. Source: Refinitiv and Daiwa Capital Markets Europe Ltd.

#### **Euro area, Germany and France: GDP forecasts**



Source: Refinitiv and Daiwa Capital Markets Europe Ltd.

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#### UK

#### The week ahead in the UK

The focus in the UK over the coming week will undoubtedly be on the Brexit negotiations, with talks set to resume in London from tomorrow. Outstanding difficulties remain on the level playing field, governance and fisheries, with differences of opinion also on the role that further transition periods and review clauses could play. Irish media reports today suggested that, in a bid to break the deadlock, the EU will propose that between 15-18% of the EU's current roughly quota of fish caught in UK waters (worth roughly €650mn) would be restored to UK trawler-men. But that will not prove big enough for the UK, which will also resist demands to subject that agreement to a future review.

Data-wise, no top-tier releases are due from the UK. BoE bank lending data for October will be published on Monday, followed by the final manufacturing, services and construction PMIs for November on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday respectively. Nationwide house price data for November are also due on Tuesday, while new car registration numbers for the same month are due on Friday.

### **Daiwa economic forecasts**

			2020			2021		2020	2021	2022	
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	2020	2021	2022	
GDP growth, %, Q/Q											
Euro area		-3.7	-11.8	12.6	-2.7	1.8	2.2	-7.4	5.1	3.5	
Germany		-1.9	-9.8	8.5	-1.5	1.5	2.0	-5.7	4.2	3.4	
France		-5.9	-13.8	18.7	-4.5	2.5	2.5	-9.1	6.9	3.6	
Italy		-5.5	-13.0	16.1	-3.0	2.1	2.4	-8.9	6.5	3.2	
Spain	(E)	-5.2	-17.8	16.7	-4.0	3.5	2.5	-11.8	6.6	5.4	
UK	3	-2.5	-19.8	15.5	-2.5	1.8	3.2	-11.3	5.9	5.9	
Inflation, %, Y/Y								•			
Euro area											
Headline CPI	$-\langle \langle \rangle \rangle_{-}$	1.1	0.2	0.0	-0.3	0.0	0.6	0.2	0.6	1.1	
Core CPI		1.1	0.9	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.8	
UK											
Headline CPI	$\geq$	1.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.9	1.9	0.9	1.6	1.6	
Core CPI		1.6	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.6	2.1	1.4	1.8	1.4	
Monetary policy											
ECB											
Refi Rate %	$\{(0,1)\}$	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Deposit Rate %		-0.50	-0.50	-0.50	-0.50	-0.50	-0.50	-0.50	-0.50	-0.50	
PEPP envelope (€bn)		750	1350	1350	1850	1850	1850	1850	1850	1850	
BoE											
Bank Rate %		0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	
Bond purchases (£bn)	$\geq$	645	745	745	895	895	895	895	895	895	

\*Monthly target €bn, end of period. \*\*Monthly target £bn, end of period. Source: Bloomberg, ECB, BoE and Daiwa Capital Markets Europe Ltd.



## Coming week's data calendar

Europe

Country		GMT	Release	Period	Market consensus/ <u>Daiwa forecast</u>	Previous
			Monday 30 November 2020			
Germany		08.00	Preliminary CPI (EU-harmonised CPI) Y/Y%	Nov	-0.2 (-0.4)	-0.2 (-0.5)
Italy		10.00	Preliminary CPI (EU- harmonised CPI) Y/Y%	Nov	-0.2 (-0.5)	-0.3 (-0.6)
Spain	(C)	08.00	Preliminary CPI Y/Y% (Y/Y%)	Nov	-0.8 (-0.7)	-0.8 (-0.9)
UK	36	00.01	Lloyds business barometer	Nov	-	-18
	36	09.30	Net lending secured on dwellings (mortgage approvals '000s)	Oct	4.5 (82.0)	4.8 (91.5)
	25	09.30	Net consumer credit £bn (Y/Y%)	Oct	0.2 (-)	-0.6 (-4.6)
	36	09.30	M4 money supply Y/Y%	Oct	-	6.1
			Tuesday 01 December 2020			
EMU		09.00	Final manufacturing PMI	Nov	53.6	54.8
		10.00	Preliminary CPI (core CPI) Y/Y%	Nov	<u>-0.3 (0.2)</u>	-0.3 (0.2)
Sermany		08.55	Final manufacturing PMI	Nov	57.9	58.2
		08.55	Unemployment change '000s (rate %)	Nov	8.0 (6.3)	-35.0 (6.2)
France		08.50	Final manufacturing PMI	Nov	49.1	51.3
		-	New car registrations* Y/Y%	Nov	-	-9.5
Italy		08.45	Manufacturing PMI	Nov	52.0	53.8
		09.00	Final GDP Q/Q% (Y/Y%)	Q3	16.1 (-4.7)	-12.8 (-17.7)
		17.00	New car registrations Y/Y%	Nov	-	-0.2
Spain	(E)	08.15	Manufacturing PMI	Nov	50.5	52.5
	/E	-	New car registrations* Y/Y%	Nov	-	-21
UK	36	00.01	BRC shop price index Y/Y%	Nov	-1.3	-1.2
	$\geq$	09.30	Final manufacturing PMI	Nov	55.2	53.7
-	36	07.00	Nationwide house price index* M/M% (Y/Y%)	Nov	0.2 (5.5)	0.8 (5.8)
			Wednesday 02 December 2020	_		
EMU	100	10.00	PPI Y/Y%	Oct	-2.5	-2.4
_	(,,,)	10.00	Unemployment rate %	Oct	8.4	8.3
Germany		07.00	Retail sales M/M% (Y/Y%)	Oct	0.5 (5.2)	-1.9 (7.0)
Italy		09.00	Preliminary unemployment rate %	Oct	9.9	9.6
Spain	E CONTRACT	08.00	Unemployment change '000s	Nov	-	49.6
UK	38	00.01	BRC shop price index Y/Y%	Nov	-1.3	-1.2
EMU	25.00	09.00	Thursday 03 December 2020 Final services (composite) PMI	Nov	41.3 (45.1)	46.9 (50.0)
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Sermony	3.7.5	10.00	Retail sales M/M% (Y/Y%)	Oct Nov	0.5 (2.4)	-2.0 (2.2)
Germany		08.55	Final services (composite) PMI  New car registrations* Y/Y%	Nov	46.2 (52.0)	49.5 (55.0) -3.6
France		08.50	Final services (composite) PMI	Nov	- 38.0 (39.9)	-3.6 46.5 (47.5)
Italy		08.45	Services (composite) PMI	Nov	40.8 (43.5)	46.7 (49.2)
Spain	-	08.15	Services (composite) PMI	Nov	36.6 (40.2)	40.7 (49.2)
UK		09.30	Final services (composite) PMI	Nov	45.8 (47.4)	51.4 (52.1)
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EMU	(())	08.30	Construction PMI	Nov	-	44.9
Germany		07.00	Factory orders M/M% (Y/Y%)	Oct	1.2 (0.5)	0.5 (-1.9)
,		08.30	Construction PMI	Nov	-	45.2
France		08.30	Construction PMI	Nov	-	42.7
Italy		08.30	Construction PMI	Nov	-	48.1
,		09.00	Retail sales M/M% (Y/Y%)	Oct	-0.2 (0.4)	-0.8 (1.3)
UK	38	09.30	Construction PMI	Nov	- (0)	53.1
J11		09.00	New car registrations Y/Y%	Nov		-1.6

\*Approximate date of release. Source: Bloomberg and Daiwa Capital Markets Europe Ltd.



The comi	ng wee	k's key	v events & auctions			
Country		GMT	Event / Auction			
			Monday 30 November 2020			
EMU		10.30	ECB President Lagarde speaks at European Policy Centre Forum			
		-	Eurogroup videoconference			
UK	36	14.30	BoE's Tenreyro scheduled to speak			
Tuesday 01 December 2020						
EMU		10.00	OECD publishes Economic Outlook			
		17.00	ECB President Lagarde scheduled to speak			
UK	36	10.00	Auction: £3bn of 0.125% 2026 bonds			
	36	11.30	Auction: £2.25bn of 1.25% 2041 bonds			
			Wednesday 02 December 2020			
EMU		14.00	ECB's Chief Economist Lane scheduled to speak			
Germany		10.30	Auction: €2bn of 0% 2025 bonds			
UK	26	10.00	Auction: £1bn of 0.125% 2028 index-linked bonds			
	36	11.30	Auction: £2.75bn of 0.25% 2031 bonds			
			Thursday 03 December 2020			
France		09.50	Auction: 5.75% 2032 bonds			
		09.50	Auction: 1.25% 2036 bonds			
		09.50	Auction: 2% 2048 bonds			
		09.50	Auction: 4.5% 2041 bonds			
UK	36	09.30	BoE's Monthly Decision Maker Panel data published			
			Friday 04 December 2020			
Germany		-	German sovereign debt rated by DBRS			
Italy		-	Italian sovereign debt rated by Fitch			
UK	20	09.30	BoE's Tenreyro scheduled to speak			

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Today's results										
Economic	data									
Country		Release	Period	Actual	Market consensus/ <u>Daiwa forecast</u>	Previous	Revised			
EMU	$ \langle \langle \rangle \rangle $	European Commission economic confidence	Nov	87.6	86.0	90.9	91.1			
	$ \langle \langle \rangle \rangle $	European Commission industrial (services) confidence	Nov	-10.1 (-17.3)	-10.9 (-16.3)	-9.6 (-11.8)	-9.2 (-12.1)			
	$ \langle \langle \rangle \rangle $	European Commission final consumer confidence	Nov	-17.6	-18.0	-15.5	-			
France		Final GDP Q/Q% (Y/Y%)	Q3	18.7 (-3.9)	18.2 (-4.3)	-13.8 (-18.9)	-			
		Preliminary CPI (EU-harmonised CPI) Y/Y%	Nov	0.2 (0.2)	0.1 (0.0)	0.0 (0.1)	-			
		PPI Y/Y%	Oct	-2.0	-	-2.4	-2.3			
		Consumer spending M/M% (Y/Y%)	Oct	3.7 (2.7)	3.5 (1.8)	-5.1 (-1.3)	-4.4 (-0.8)			
Italy		Istat economic sentiment	Nov	82.8	-	92.9	92.2			
		Istat consumer (manufacturing) confidence	Nov	98.1 (90.2)	99.5	102 (95.6)	101.7 (94.7)			
		PPI Y/Y%	Oct	-2.9	-	-3.8	-			
Spain	· E	Retail sales Y/Y%	Oct	-2.7	-3.9	-3.3	-			
Auctions	;									
Country		Auction								
Italy		Auction: €2.5bn of 0.5% 2026 bonds at an average yield of 0.01%								
		Auction: €3bn of 0.9% 0.9% 2031 bonds at an average yield	l of 0.59%							
		Auction: €2.5bn of 2026 floating-rate bonds at an average yield of -0.02%								

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