Yields ease, Bitcoin slips
Central banks hold, US growth firm

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Week 44 brought lower US Treasury yields, a softer Bitcoin and a busy calendar of central bank decisions. The US advance GDP reading rose, while the Federal Reserve and the ECB left rates unchanged. Filings and sanctions data add three further themes.

MARKETS

Treasury yields fall over the week
Bitcoin loses most ground

The US 2-year yield ended at 4.56% on 30 October, down 13 bp from 4.69% a week earlier. Most of the drop came in the last two days of the week, after readings between 4.67% and 4.70% earlier. The US 10-year yield closed at 4.94%, down 6 bp from 5.00%.

The US 30-year mortgage rate from Freddie Mac stood at 7.24% on 29 October, against 7.32% on 22 October. EUR/USD finished at 1.1172, down 0.2% on the week, after touching 1.1130 on 29 October.

Bitcoin fell 4.9% to $76,803 on 30 October from $80,739 a week earlier. It had traded near $81,247 on 28 October, so the decline came mainly in the final two days.

MARKET	LEVEL	DATE	7 DAYS	52 WEEKS
US 2-year yield	4.56 %	30 Oct	−13 bp	3.38 – 4.92
US 10-year yield	4.94 %	30 Oct	−6 bp	3.97 – 5.31
US 30-year mortgage rate	7.24 %	29 Oct	−8 bp	5.98 – 7.40
EUR/USD	1.1172	30 Oct	−0.2 %	1.1130 – 1.1974
Bitcoin	76,803 $	30 Oct	−4.9 %	58,525 – 110,033

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MARKETS

US 2-year yield · 90 days



U.S. Treasury

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US 30-year mortgage rate · 90 days



Freddie Mac, Primary Mortgage Market Survey®

DATA RELEASES

Fed and ECB hold, US GDP rises
Canada raises its rate

The Federal Reserve kept the federal funds rate at 3.75–4.00% on 28 October. The ECB left its deposit facility rate at 2.50% on 29 October. The Bank of Canada raised its overnight rate to 2.50% from 2.25%.

US advance GDP came in at 3.4% quarter on quarter, up from 2.2%. Core PCE prices rose 0.3% on the month, unchanged from before. Personal spending rose 0.5% after 0.9%, and personal income rose 0.2% after 0.3%. Weekly unemployment claims were 194K, as in the prior week.

In the euro area, flash GDP growth was 0.4% quarter on quarter, down from 0.6%. The unemployment rate stayed at 6.5%.

DAY	RELEASE	ACTUAL	PREVIOUS
27 Oct	USD · HPI m/m	0.3%	0.2%
28 Oct	CAD · Overnight Rate	2.50%	2.25%
28 Oct	USD · Crude Oil Inventories	−1.9M	−3.1M
28 Oct	USD · Federal Funds Rate	3.75–4.00%	3.75–4.00%
29 Oct	USD · Advance GDP q/q	3.4%	2.2%
29 Oct	USD · Core PCE Price Index m/m	0.3%	0.3%
29 Oct	USD · Personal Income m/m	0.2%	0.3%
29 Oct	USD · Personal Spending m/m	0.5%	0.9%
29 Oct	USD · Unemployment Claims	194K	194K
29 Oct	USD · 30-Year Fixed Mortgage Rate	7.24%	7.32%
29 Oct	EUR · ECB Deposit Facility Rate	2.50%	2.50%
30 Oct	CAD · GDP m/m	0.0%	0.0%
30 Oct	EUR · Prelim Flash GDP q/q	0.4%	0.6%
30 Oct	EUR · Unemployment Rate	6.5%	6.5%

Official releases (BLS, BEA, Census, Fed, EIA and others)

SANCTIONS

Russia: new US sanctions listings
OFAC list grows by 11 entries

The OFAC list for Russia stood at 5,403 entries on 30 October, 11 more than on 25 October. The EU count was 1,924, unchanged on the week.

On 28 October the US Treasury announced sanctions on facilitators of IT worker fraud linked to North Korea. The action named 10 individuals and 1 company, including one person listed under Russia.

> **What is OFAC?**
> OFAC is the US Treasury office that administers sanctions lists. Listed persons and firms are cut off from the US financial system.

COMPANY FILINGS

Getty Images files bankruptcy items

Getty Images filed an SEC Form 8-K under item 1.03, Bankruptcy or Receivership, on 26 October. A similar filing followed the one on 21 October, alongside item 2.04 on events that accelerate a direct financial obligation.

On 1 October the company had filed item 3.01, a notice of delisting or failure to meet a listing rule.

> **What is a Form 8-K?**
> A Form 8-K is a report US listed companies file with the SEC to disclose material events. Item numbers show the type of event.

DEALS

EQT files material agreement
Media report Range Resources deal

EQT filed an SEC Form 8-K under item 1.01, Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement, on 26 October.

The coverage spans 11 articles from 10 sources over 30 days.

> **What is item 1.01?**
> Item 1.01 of Form 8-K covers a company entering a significant contract outside its normal business, such as a merger agreement.

NEXT WEEK

Next week: jobs data and rate decisions

US payrolls on 6 November

On 3 November, US JOLTS job openings and the Reserve Bank of Australia cash rate decision are due. The last JOLTS reading was 7.1M, and the cash rate stands at 4.60%.

The euro area flash CPI follows on 4 November, with the prior reading at 3.8%. The Bank of England sets its Bank Rate on 5 November, currently 3.75%.

On 6 November the US jobs report is scheduled. The last reading showed 29K payroll growth, a 4.2% unemployment rate and 0.1% hourly earnings growth. Canada also reports employment data that day.

DAY	RELEASE	LAST	RELEASED
3 Nov	USD · JOLTS Job Openings	7.1M	29 Sept
3 Nov	AUD · Cash Rate	4.60%	29 Sept
4 Nov	EUR · CPI Flash Estimate y/y	3.8%	2 Oct
5 Nov	GBP · Official Bank Rate	3.75%	17 Sept
6 Nov	USD · Non-Farm Employment Change	29K	2 Oct
6 Nov	USD · Unemployment Rate	4.2%	2 Oct
6 Nov	USD · Average Hourly Earnings m/m	0.1%	2 Oct
6 Nov	CAD · Employment Change	−68.3K	9 Oct
6 Nov	CAD · Unemployment Rate	6.5%	9 Oct

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