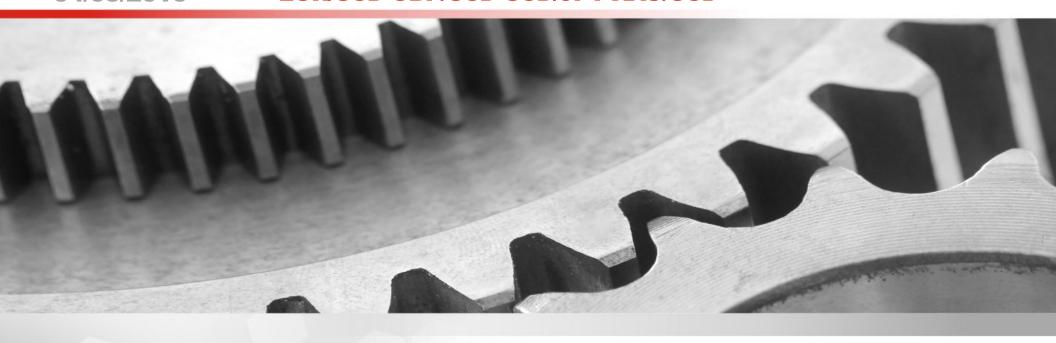


04/03/2016

EUR/USD GBP/USD USD/JPY XAU/USD









EUR/USD spikes back to reach 55-day SMA

"People reduced expectations that the ECB is going to be so dramatic next week with their policy decision."
- BMO Capital Markets (based on Reuters)

■ Pair's Outlook

In the run up to Friday's US payrolls data, the EUR/USD cross skyrocketed the most since February 9 and retested the January-February uptrend line. The bulls were limited by the 55-day SMA, currently at 1.0970. This moving average is succeeded by another bunch of resistances including the 20-day SMA, weekly and monthly pivot points. Ultimately, there is the 200-day SMA placed at 1.1045. An advance above all of them should neutralise our outlook for next week, also noting that weekly technical indicators are expecting a sideways movement starting March 7.

■ Traders' Sentiment

More SWFX traders have decided to join the bullish camp and push the number of open positions from 51% up to 53%. However, commands are now set to sell the Euro against the Buck in 57-58% of all cases.

Sentiment	Today	Yesterday	5 days ago	10-day avg.
Open Positions	6%	2%	2%	3%
Orders (±50 pips)	-14%	-4%	-8%	-8%
Orders (±100 pips)	-16%	-8%	-14%	-9%

Indicator	Day	Week	Month
MACD (12; 26; 9)	Sell	Buy	Buy
RSI (14)	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
Stochastic (5; 3; 3)	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
ADX (14)	Sell	Neutral	Sell
CCI (14)	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
AROON (14)	Sell	Buy	Sell
Alligator (13; 8; 5)	Neutral	Neutral	Sell
SAR (0.02; 0.2)	Sell	Sell	Sell
Aggregate	R	\rightarrow	Ŕ

Friday, March 04, 2016 08:30 GMT



ala	Level	Rationale
■ R3	1.1201/27	Weekly R2; monthly R1
■ R2	1.1021/65	Monthly PP; 200-day SMA; weekly R1
■ R1	1.0970/99	55/20-day SMAs; weekly PP
■ S1	1.0920	100-day SMA
■ S2	1.0852	Weekly S1
■ S3	1.0809/1.0775	Feb low; weekly S2
		•





GBP/USD endeavours to climb over 1.42

Friday, March 04, 2016 08:30 GMT



"The U.S. dollar has been responding to the improving tone of U.S. data, which has brought forward market expectations for the timing of the next Fed hike. The ADP report suggested the risks to Friday's nonfarm payrolls report are on the upside."

- Bank of America Corp. (based on Bloomberg)

Pair's Outlook

The British Pound appreciated for the fourth consecutive day against the US Dollar yesterday, piercing the immediate resistance around 1.4155. This area is now providing support and could spark a Sterling buying spree, which would then lead to a retake of the 1.42 level and, consequently, to a breach of the nearest resistance, namely the 20-day SMA at 1.4222. However, the main Cable driver today will be the US NFP results, a stronger figure of which could cause the pair to retreat from its one-week high and slump back under 1.41, possibly even putting the weekly PP at 1.4012 to the test.

Traders' Sentiment

Bulls are barely outnumbering the bears, as only 52% of all open positions are currently long (previously 40%). At the same time, the portion of orders to sell the Sterling decreased from 70 to 63%.

Sentiment	Today	Yesterday	5 days ago	10-day avg.
Open Positions	4%	-20%	26%	22%
Orders (±50 pips)	-32%	-38%	36%	20%
Orders (±100 pips)	-26%	-40%	10%	7%

Indicator/Period	Day	Week	Month
MACD (12; 26; 9)	Sell	Buy	Sell
RSI (14)	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
Stochastic (5; 3; 3)	Sell	Neutral	Buy
ADX (14)	Neutral	Sell	Sell
CCI (14)	Neutral	Buy	Buy
AROON (14)	Sell	Sell	Sell
Alligator (13; 8; 5)	Sell	Sell	Sell
SAR (0.02; 0.2)	Buy	Sell	Sell
Aggregate	N/A	Я	Я



Level	Rationale
1.4625/4662	Weekly R3; Bollinger band
1.4425/67	55-day SMA; monthly R1; weekly R2
1.4222	20-day SMA
1.4170/41	Weekly R1; monthly PP
1.4012	Weekly PP
1.3825/1.3782	Down-trend; Bollinger band
	1.4625/4662 1.4425/67 1.4222 1.4170/41 1.4012

Feb 15

Feb 05

1.3738





USD/JPY takes another shot at retaking 114.00

Friday, March 04, 2016 08:30 GMT



"Investors will find it difficult to take strong positions on one side. The dollar will unlikely gain much against the yen in either case [depending on NFP results]."

- Minori Uchida, Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ (based on Reuters)

■ Pair's Outlook

A set of poor fundamentals caused the American Dollar to retreat from its intraday high and close trade relatively unchanged against the Yen, adding only 20 pips on Thursday. The USD/JPY currency pair remains supported by the weekly PP at 113.00, which is now also bolstered by the 20-day SMA. As a result, we expect the bullish momentum to prevail, but gains are likely to be limited by a strong resistance area around 115.00, represented by the weekly R1, the monthly PP and the Bollinger band. On the other hand, daily technical indicators are now giving bearish signs, suggesting that with sufficient impetus from weak NFP data the nearest support could be pierced.

Traders' Sentiment

Exactly three quarters of all open positions are long, while the share of purchase orders returned to its Wednesday's level of 57%.

Sentiment	Today	Yesterday	5 days ago	10-day avg.
Open Positions	50%	46%	46%	46%
Orders (±50 pips)	-14%	50%	34%	3%
Orders (±100 pips)	14%	-2%	2%	-7%

Indicator/Period	Day	Week	Month
MACD (12; 26; 9)	Buy	Buy	Sell
RSI (14)	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
Stochastic (5; 3; 3)	Sell	Neutral	Neutral
ADX (14)	Neutral	Sell	Sell
CCI (14)	Neutral	Buy	Buy
AROON (14)	Sell	Sell	Sell
Alligator (13; 8; 5)	Sell	Sell	Buy
SAR (0.02; 0.2)	Sell	Sell	Sell
Aggregate	И	Z	Й



ala	Level	Rationale	
■ R3	116.95	55-day SMA	
■ R2	115.95	Weekly R2	
= R1	114.96/115.38	Weekly R1; monthly PP; Bollinger band	
■ S1	113.50/00	Weekly PP; 20-day SMA	
■ S2	112.01/111.62	Weekly S1; Bollinger band	
S 3	110.05	Weekly S2	

Feb 15

Feb 05





Gold at new annual highs on weaker Greenback

Friday, March 04, 2016 08:30 GMT



"Gradual pace of tightening will be maintained in the context of China risks, global financial volatility and the knock-on impact on the U.S. economy."

Mizuho Bank (based on CNBC)

Pair's Outlook

Yellow metal brought substantial returns on March 3 when the price surged to almost the 1,270 mark from 1,240 in one day. With markets becoming more volatile ahead of NFP data from the US, the Dollar pared gains and provided gold with upward momentum. The high of Feb 11 at 1,263 was penetrated and now the price is hovering at peaks last seen in February 2015. Today is a highly data-dependent day. Disappointing payrolls may push the bullion to weekly R2 (1,277) with a possibility of growing even closer to 1,300. Alongside, good data will help the bears to reclaim the weekly R1 at 1,249.

Traders' Sentiment

Sentiment

Open Positions

24 hours ago the bullish market portion dropped back to 41% from 50% seen back on Wednesday. Over the last trading session they have regained only one percent to 42%, meaning the bears are managing to

Yesterday

Open i ositions	1070	4070	3470
Indicator	Day	Week	Month
MACD (12; 26; 9)	Sell	Buy	Buy
RSI (14)	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
Stochastic (5; 3; 3)	Neutral	Sell	Neutral
ADX (14)	Buy	Buy	Buy

RSI (14)	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral
Stochastic (5; 3; 3)	Neutral	Sell	Neutral
ADX (14)	Buy	Buy	Buy
CCI (14)	Sell	Sell	Neutral
AROON (14)	Buy	Buy	Sell
Alligator (13; 8; 5)	Buy	Neutral	Sell
SAR (0.02; 0.2)	Buy	Buy	Buy
Aggregate	7	7	\rightarrow



ala	Level	Rationale
■ R3	1,353	Monthly R2
■ R2	1,295/1,307	Monthly R2; weekly R3; 2015 high
= R1	1,277	Weekly R2
■ S1	1,259	Bollinger band
■ S2	1,249	Weekly R1
S 3	1,227/25	Weekly PP; uptrend

Feb 15

Feb 05

10-day avg.





EXPLANATIONS

Signals

- Buy the pair shows a clear uptrend
- Sell the pair shows a clear downtrend
- Neutral no specific trend for the pair

Chart

- SMA (55) Simple Moving Average of 55 periods
- SMA (200) Simple Moving Average of 200 periods

Indicators

- MACD Moving average convergence divergence momentum indicator
- RSI Relative strength index compares the magnitude of recent gains to recent losses in attempt to determine 'overbought' and 'oversold' conditions of the asset
- Stochastic technical momentum indicator that compares a currency pair's closing price to its price range over a given time period
- ADX Average directional index trend strength indicators
- CCI oscillator used in technical analysis to help determine when a currency has been overbought or oversold
- SAR trending indicator shows the direction of a trend
- AROON measures strength of a trend and likelihood that it will continue
- Alligator trending indicator demonstrates presence of a trend and its direction

Forecasts

Third Quartile – separates 25% of the highest forecasts

Second Quartile – the median price based on the projections of the industry

First Quartile – separates 25% of the lowest forecasts





DUKASCOPY

Expert Commentary







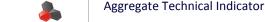












Additional information: **Dukascopy Group Home Page** Market News & Research **FXSpider** Live Webinars **Dukascopy TV Daily Pivot Point Levels Economic Calendar** Daily Highs/Lows SWFX Sentiment Index Movers & Shakers FX **Forex Calculators Currency Converter**

Newest releases and archive:

Fundamental Analysis

Technical Analysis Press Review

Market Research **Expert Commentary Dukascopy Sentiment Index**

Trade Pattern Ideas

Commodity Overview Economic Research Quarterly Report

Global Stock Market Review





Social networks:

Currency Index CoT Charts





Everything in this article, including opinions and figures, is provided for informational purposes only and may not be interpreted as financial advice or solicitation of products. Dukascopy group assume no responsibility for the completeness or the accuracy of any data contained in this article. Financial figures indicated in this article have not been verified by the Dukascopy group. Views, opinions and analyses are those of the author of the article, and are not endorsed by the Dukascopy group.

Dukascopy group waive any and all warranties, express or implied, regarding, but without limitation to, warranties of the merchantability or the fitness for a particular purpose, with respect to all information in this article. Dukascopy group shall under no circumstances be responsible for any direct, indirect, consequential, contingent or any other damages sustained in connection with the use of this article.

