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Economic calendar

Tuesday, April 15, 2025:

Saudi Consumer Price Index for March (monthly and annual).

Canadian Consumer Price Index for March (annual).

Wednesday, April 16, 2025:

China's Q1 GDP.

Chinese Retail Sales for March.

UK Consumer Price Index for March.

European Consumer Price Index for March.

US Retail Sales for March (monthly).

Bank of Canada Interest Rate Decision.

US Crude Oil Inventory Data.

US Federal Reserve Chairman Speech.

Thursday, April 17, 2025:

US Unemployment Claims Rate.

Philadelphia Manufacturing Index.

ECB Meeting and Interest Rate Decision.

Friday, April 18, 2025:

Good Friday holiday in many countries.

China Halts Exports of Key Rare Earth Minerals, Impacting Tech and Defense Industries

China has stopped exporting several rare earth minerals critical to tech, automobile, and defense industries, effective April 3. The halt includes seven heavy rare earth metals and rare earth magnets. Elements like dysprosium and yttrium are essential for the U.S. industries, especially in technology and defense.

This move, which affects all countries, comes after China's ongoing threats to leverage its dominance in rare earth materials. The new restrictions also require special export licenses for these materials, a process China has just started setting up, causing concerns about supply shortages.

April 15, 2025

Currency pair: EUR/

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JPMorgan: Strong Opportunities Ahead!

Currency pairs forecasts

EUR/USD (Euro / US Dollar)
Trend: Bullish in the short term
Support: 1.12 – 1.10
Resistance: 1.14 – 1.15
Outlook: A break above 1.14 could lead to further upside toward 1.16, while a drop below 1.129 might trigger a corrective decline.

GBP/USD (British Pound / US Dollar)
Trend: Sideways to slightly bullish

Support: 1.26 – 1.255
Resistance: 1.275 – 1.28
Outlook: Holding above 1.275 may lead to a test of 1.29, but a break below 1.255 would open the door for more downside.

USD/JPY (US Dollar / Japanese Yen)
Trend: Bullish
Support: 152.20 – 151.50
Resistance: 154.00 – 155.20
Outlook: A push above 154.00 may target 155.20, while a drop below 152.20 could suggest the start of a short-term correction.

USD/CHF (US Dollar / Swiss Franc)
Trend: Bearish in the short term

Support: 0.8950 – 0.89

Resistance: 0.9070 – 0.91

Outlook: Ongoing downside pressure could drive the pair toward 0.89, unless a recovery in USD demand occurs.

USD/CAD (US Dollar / Canadian Dollar)
Trend: Bearish

Support: 1.3520 – 1.3470

Resistance: 1.3630 – 1.37

Outlook: A break below 1.3520 may trigger further downside, while regaining 1.3630 could ease the bearish pressure.

Crypto Currencies

Bitcoin Rises Amid Trump's Tariff Reduction Hints

Bitcoin surged to $85,478 following former President Donald Trump's hints at easing tariffs. This move has reignited discussions about using tariff revenues to purchase Bitcoin. However, tensions with China persist, and the full impact of these policy changes remains to be seen.

JPMorgan

A recent report by JPMorgan suggests that the second half of 2025 could present an ideal opportunity to enter the financial markets, especially for investors seeking relative stability amid current market volatility.

Analysts emphasized that defensive sectors such as healthcare and consumer staples continue to offer attractive opportunities due to their resilience during economic slowdowns. These sectors have demonstrated stability in times of financial and political pressure.

The report also noted that the recent pullback in some global stock markets may not signal the end of a cycle, but rather a natural correction that could precede a new upward trend—particularly with central banks potentially moving toward easing policies.

JPMorgan described the current phase as a period of watchful calm, adding that major investment opportunities may start to emerge as economic outlooks improve and inflation rates gradually decline, which could help restore market confidence in the coming months.

Message to investors: Don't rush in just yet—but be prepared. The opportunities are coming.

European markets

European markets saw a slight increase today, with the STOXX 600 index rising by 0.6%, driven by investor optimism over the potential easing of U.S. tariffs on automobile imports, as hinted by former U.S. President Donald Trump. The automotive and parts sector performed the best, rising by 2.5%, becoming the most profitable among sectors.

In Germany, the DAX index rose by 0.9%, while the FTSE 100 in the UK gained 0.8%. In contrast, the CAC index in France declined by 0.2%, impacted by a sharp 7.1% drop in shares of LVMH, which reported weak Q1 earnings due to reduced consumer spending in the U.S. and ongoing weak sales in China.

On the other hand, shares of BE Semiconductor Industries, based in the Netherlands, rose by 7.1% after U.S. company Applied Materials acquired a 9% stake. Ericsson's shares jumped by 6.9% following strong financial results for the first quarter.

Markets are now awaiting the European Central Bank's meeting scheduled for Thursday, where analysts expect a 25 basis point rate cut to 2.25%, amid concerns over the impact of the rising euro on inflation and economic growth in the Eurozone.

Today's Top News
4-14-2025

-Global Markets
Global markets saw a notable rise today:
Dow Jones climbed by 0.78% to 40,546.15 points
Germany's DAX rose by 1.23% to 21,164.10 points
UK's FTSE 100 increased by 0.70% to 8,190.93 points

- Saudi Market
The TASI (Tadawul All Share Index) closed up by 0.31% at 11,633.30 points.
Key movers:
Zain KSA rose by 1.15% to SAR 12.36
Aramco remained flat at SAR 25.95

- Cryptocurrency
The crypto market recorded notable gains:
Bitcoin surpassed $85,000, up 0.80% in the past 24 hours
Ethereum rose by 1.5%, reaching $3,200

-Oil Prices
Oil prices remained steady, with Brent crude at $64.96 per barrel, up $0.48.
Markets are watching developments related to trade tensions and the potential easing of sanctions on Iranian oil exports.

- UAE Markets
The Dubai Financial Market index closed higher:

Supported by Dubai Islamic Bank shares rising 3.19%

Emaar Properties also gained 1.24%

- Gold
Gold prices climbed today, with the ounce reaching $3,225.91.

Saudi market

Noatum Logistics Expands Fleet with 152 New Trucks to Boost Regional Growth
Noatum Logistics, part of AD Ports Group, has added 152 Mercedes-Benz Actros trucks to its fleet, bringing the total to over 600 vehicles. The move supports growing land freight operations across the Middle East and aligns with sustainability goals through fuel-efficient Euro 5 engines.

Investors are advised to closely monitor geopolitical and economic developments, as they could significantly impact market performance in the coming period.

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