

The Week Ahead

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Key Macro Events 17 – 21 June 2024

- **United States** – On Tuesday we expect Retail Sales to come in relatively weak at 0.1% m/m. While earnings growth picked up in April, there are signs that borrowers are less likely to borrow to pay for purchases. Similarly, we expect Industrial production to have risen by 0.1% m/m, held back by manufacturing of new cars. The end of the week sees the release of the Manufacturing and Services PMIs, which surprised on the upside last month. We expect both to partially reverse the large increase last month, with manufacturing dropping to 50.7 and services back to 53.0.
- **Eurozone** – Next Friday eurozone as well as French and German PMI's will be published. We expect the eurozone services PMI to indicate continued expansion in the services sector, helped by real wage gains of consumers. The eurozone manufacturing PMI is expected to stay below neutral but increase on a monthly basis as global demand for industrial goods is showing early signs of picking up and headwinds such as the energy crisis are easing a bit. As a result the composite PMI will stay roughly stagnant compared to the May reading and remain above the neutral level, consistent with our view of positive second quarter growth for the eurozone economy.
- **The Netherlands** – The unemployment rate is expected to have marginally increased to 3.8% in May (up from 3.7% in April) as underlying labour market tightness continues to ease slightly. From a historical perspective the labour market remains tight, with a net participation rate at record levels of 73.4% of the population between the ages 15 and 75 are working, while the remaining labour supply is limited. Labour demand, including from the government, remains strong at 1.1 vacancies per job seeker. We expect the unemployment rate to average 3.8% in 2024, up from 3.6% in 2023.
- **China** – We still expect the PBoC to come with further (mini) policy rate cuts and RRR cuts in the coming months to help propping up sluggish domestic demand, also given the still subdued pace of inflation. With Fed rate cut expectations having been delayed and the yuan still at relatively weak levels versus USD, we concur with the (median) consensus expectation that the PBoC will wait for another month or so. Still, the fact that some major central banks (ECB, BoC) have started cutting may have created an opportunity for the PBoC to come with another mini rate cut already next week. Meanwhile, (annual growth of) retail sales is expected to have picked up somewhat in May after a weak April number, while industrial production is estimated to have slowed a bit following a strong April reading.

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	Date	Time	Country	Market indicator	Period	Latest outcome	Expectation consensus	ABN AMRO
Monday	17/06/2024	01:50:00	JP	Machinery orders private sector - % mom	Apr	2.9	-3.1	
Monday	17/06/2024	03:20:00	CN	1-yr Medium-term lending facility rate - %	Jun 17	2.50	2.48	2.50
Monday	17/06/2024	04:00:00	CN	Fixed investment - % yoy ytd	May	4.2	4.2	
Monday	17/06/2024	04:00:00	CN	Retail sales - % yoy	May	2.3	3.0	
Monday	17/06/2024	04:00:00	CN	Industrial production - % yoy	May	6.7	6.2	
Monday	17/06/2024	10:00:00	EZ	ECB's Lane Speaks				
Monday	17/06/2024	11:00:00	EZ	ECB's Knot Speaks in Dutch Parliament				
Monday	17/06/2024	14:30:00	US	Empire State PMI - Manuf. general business conditions - index	Jun	-15.6	-13.0	
Monday	17/06/2024	19:00:00	US	Fed's Harker Speaks on Economic Outlook				
Tuesday	18/06/2024	06:30:00	AU	Policy rate - %	Jun 18	4.4		
Tuesday	18/06/2024	11:00:00	EZ	HICP Core inflation - % yoy	May F	2.9		
Tuesday	18/06/2024	11:00:00	DE	ZEW index (expectation economic growth)	Jun	47.1		
Tuesday	18/06/2024	14:00:00	HU	Base rate - %	Jun 18	7.3		
Tuesday	18/06/2024	14:00:00	EZ	ECB's Cipollone Speaks				
Tuesday	18/06/2024	14:30:00	US	Retail sales - % mom	May	-0.1	0.3	0.1
Tuesday	18/06/2024	15:15:00	US	Industrial production - % mom	May	0.0	0.4	0.1
Tuesday	18/06/2024	15:30:00	EZ	ECB's Guindos Speaks				
Tuesday	18/06/2024	16:00:00	EZ	Business inventories - % mom	Apr	-0.1	0.3	
Tuesday	18/06/2024	16:00:00	US	Fed's Barkin Discusses US Economy, Fed				
Tuesday	18/06/2024	18:00:00	EZ	Villeroy speaks in Paris				
Tuesday	18/06/2024	19:00:00	US	Fed's Logan Speaks in Q&A				
Tuesday	18/06/2024	19:00:00	US	Fed's Kugler Speaks on Economy, Monetary Policy				
Tuesday	18/06/2024	19:20:00	US	Fed's Musalem Gives Speech on Economy, Monetary Policy				
Tuesday	18/06/2024	20:00:00	US	Fed's Goolsbee Speaks in Panel Discussion				
Tuesday	18/06/2024	22:00:00	US	Trade balance - USD bn	Apr	102.1		
Wednesday	19/06/2024	01:50:00	JP	Merchandise trade exports - % yoy	May	8.3	12.8	
Wednesday	19/06/2024	08:00:00	GB	CPI - % yoy	May	2.3	2.0	2.2
Wednesday	19/06/2024	16:00:00	US	NAHB home builders' confidence index	Jun	45.0		
Wednesday	19/06/2024	23:30:00	BR	Policy rate - %	Jun 19	10.5	10.4	
Thursday	20/06/2024	03:15:00	CN	Loan Prime Rate 1 year - %	Jun 20	3.45	3.43	3.45
Thursday	20/06/2024	06:30:00	NL	Consumer confidence - index	Jun	-22		
Thursday	20/06/2024	06:30:00	NL	Unemployment - %	May	3.7		3.8
Thursday	20/06/2024	09:30:00	CH	Policy rate - %	Jun 20	1.50		
Thursday	20/06/2024	10:00:00	NO	Policy rate - %	Jun 20	4.50		
Thursday	20/06/2024	13:00:00	GB	Policy rate - %	Jun 20	5.25	5.25	5.25
Thursday	20/06/2024	14:30:00	US	Housing starts - % mom	May	5.7	1.1	
Thursday	20/06/2024	14:30:00	US	Philadelphia Fed - business confidence - index	Jun	4.5	4.5	
Thursday	20/06/2024	16:00:00	EZ	Consumer confidence - index	Jun P	-14.3		
Thursday	20/06/2024	22:00:00	US	Fed's Barkin Speaks on Economic Outlook				
Friday	21/06/2024	01:01:00	GB	GfK Consumer confidence - index	Jun	-17.0		
Friday	21/06/2024	01:30:00	JP	CPI - % yoy	May	2.5	2.9	
Friday	21/06/2024	08:00:00	GB	Retail sales - % mom	May	-2.3		
Friday	21/06/2024	08:45:00	FR	Business confidence manuf. - index	Jun	99.2		
Friday	21/06/2024	10:00:00	EZ	PMI manufacturing - index	Jun P	47.3	48.8	47.6
Friday	21/06/2024	10:00:00	EZ	Composite PMI output	Jun P	52.2		
Friday	21/06/2024	10:00:00	EZ	PMI services - index	Jun P	53.2	53.7	53.4
Friday	21/06/2024	10:30:00	GB	PMI manufacturing - index	Jun P	51.2		
Friday	21/06/2024	15:45:00	US	S&P Global US Manufacturing PMI	Jun P	51.3	51.0	50.7
Friday	21/06/2024	15:45:00	US	S&P Global US Services PMI	Jun P	54.8	53.4	53.0
Friday	21/06/2024	15:45:00	US	S&P Global US Composite PMI	Jun P	54.5		
Friday	21/06/2024	16:00:00	US	Existing home sales - % mom	May	-1.9	-1.2	

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