

## LATITUDEGT MORNING REPORT

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2010

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### Major Developments:

AUD Westpac Consumer sentiment: 0.2% (prev -2.6%)

AUD Home Sales: 1330 NZT -7.9% (exp 2.1%)

GBP manufacturing production: 2230 NZT -0.9% (exp 0.3)

### Upcoming events:

NZD OFFICAL CASH RATE 0900:

NZD RBNZ PRESS CONFERENCE: 0900

AUD Employment Change 1330 NZT

AUD Unemployment 1330 NZT

CNY CPI 1500 NZT

**NZD:** Positive global sentiment saw the NZD reach higher yesterday, trading from lows of 0.7022, breaking through the 0.7060 mark to climb to highs of 0.7097. The NZDJPY cross also posted gains trading from lows of 63.17 to highs of 64.30. GBPNZD traded from highs of 2.1332 to lows of 2.1060. The market is waiting in anticipation of this morning's **RBNZ Official Cash Rate (OCR)** announcement and **Monetary Policy Statement (MPS)** 9:00AM NZDT. A **no change** is expected in the OCR rate remaining at 2.5%, while the MPS should give an indication of when the RBNZ is likely to hike rates later in the year.

**AUD:** The AUD attempted to climb higher in yesterday's trading, bouncing several times from the 0.9130 mark to trade to a high of 0.9191 mark, before overnight trading saw sellers take control taking off most of the session gains to finish slightly above the open. The AUDJPY strengthened from 82.14 to 83.30. The AUDNZD weakened considerably coming off from highs of 1.3000 trading to lows of 1.2923. Today AUD Inflation Expectations 1:00PM NZDT, AUD Employment Change 1:30PM NZDT, AUD Unemployment Rate 1:30PM NZDT, RBA Bulletin 1:30PM NZDT.

**EUR:** Some good news... German CPI printed better than expected showing that people are spending in Germany and not all is doom and gloom for the EU. French and Italian Industrial production also showing there is some light at the end of the tunnel. EUR traded directly higher off its low of 1.3544 to 1.3678 before retracing slightly to open today at 1.3696.

**GBP:** Initially traded lower off the back of some weak GBP manufacturing production finding a base around 1.4870 in the London session. As the US traders came to work the dollar was offered and the GBP found itself heading north as shorts were squeezed. GBP found a high of 1.4992 before retracing and consolidating as the US session winds up, opening today at 1.4956.

**This morning's midrates:**

NZD/USD: 0.7060	AUD/USD: 0.9145
NZD/AUD: 0.7724	AUD/NZD: 1.2946
NZD/EUR: 0.5174	AUD/EUR: 0.6700
NZD/JPY: 63.95	AUD/JPY: 82.85
NZD/GBP: 0.4721	AUD/GBP: 0.6115

**O/N FX Ranges:**

NZD/USD	0.7035 – 0.7097
AUD/USD	0.9124 – 0.9191
NZD/JPY	63.32 – 64.30
AUD/NZD	1.2924 – 1.2991
GBP/NZD	2.1060 – 2.1229
EUR/USD	1.3536 – 1.3678
USD/JPY	89.92 – 90.81
GBP/USD	1.4870 – 1.7992
USD/CHF	1.0683 – 1.0792
USD/CAD	1.0214 – 1.0290
EUR/JPY	121.44 – 123.99
EUR/GBP	0.9076 – 0.9132
EUR/CHF	1.4609 – 1.4628

**World Markets**

	Level	Change
Dow	10573.07	+8.69
Oil	81.60	+0.11
Gold	1108.20	-14.10

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