TOOLS FOR THE FX MARKET

FOR BASICS

Market Quotes
- ALLQ Bid/Offer – Run ALLQ BBO <GO> to see Best Bid/Offer from the various contributors within 1sec/15mins/1hr.
- FX Quote & FX Quote Stream – Add the Best Bid/Offer or a streaming live quote component to your launchpad. Type FX QUOTE <GO> into the Bloomberg Professional service, and select “Launchpad FX Quote or FX Quote stream” from the Autocomplete menu.
- Fixings – Run BFIX <GO> for half hourly Bloomberg Fixings. Use FIXI <GO> to locate all fixings from ISDA, FED Buying, WMR, ECB, etc.
- EBS Rates – Enable your self for EBS Premium Rates. Run EBS <GO>, click on the properties tab, at the bottom of the component, and click the link to request access.

News
- First Word – Leverage FIRST <GO> for realtime news provided by our dedicated desk summarized into bullet points for quick reading. Select the options on the left side to dig deeper.
- Daybook – Find out what happened overnight, and what’s happening in the FX market for the day ahead. Key views from banks/brokers, eco release schedules.
- Options – See where large option expiries are for the NY cut based on DTCC data.
- Inside Country Series – For a country specific deeper dive, receive a daily alert summarizing key events of the day for that country. From FIRST <GO>, click on 3) Actions, then Show Suggested Alerts. Select the countries you want to focus on.
- Twitter – Leverage TWTR <GO> and create a custom twitter feed to stay on top of what hedgefunds, investors and other players in the market are saying.

Charting on GP, GIP, GPC, GOC, G
- Events – Visualize impacts of economic releases in your charts
- Studies – Apply popular and Bloomberg proprietary indicators to your analysis. Leverage TECH <GO> as your go-to technicals resource. See G BBTA 540 <GO> as a sample chart of popular studies.
- Monitor intraday FX price and technical signals with alerts. Set alert levels directly on the chart by right-clicking the line.
- World Trends – Visualize price activity across global markets and asset classes so you can gauge the significance of price movements at WT <GO>.

ALERTS

Use ALRT <GO> to create alerts on chart levels including intraday, spot levels, sovereign credit, ratings. Alerts only when there is a significant deviation from survey.

MACRO ECONOMICS FOR DIFFERING TIME HORIZONS

- Economic Calendar – Leverage the ECO <GO> surprise alert to know if a release is 1 Standard Deviation away from the mean release value.
- Whisper Calculator – Use WHIS <GO> to see what Bloomberg user’s estimates are for economic data releases.
- World Interest Rate Probability – WIRP <GO> allows you to observe and explore the probabilities implied by futures and options.
- Economic Surprise – Leverage ECMI <GO> and ECSU <GO> to see how currencies have reacted to economic releases over the last year.
- Communicate trade ideas – Use IDEA FX <GO> to create trade ideas including details such as currency pair recommendation, conviction, target price and horizon date. Build communities and send/receive trade ideas from your internal and client network.
NDF AND OPTIONS TRADING ACTIVITY

» Swaps Data Repository activity from the DTCC includes NDFs and Options.
» Leverage SDRV <GO> to see volumes on the notional.
» Use OMST <GO> to see where options will expire vs. the spot in the next week. Go to EUR Curncy OMST <GO>, select Expiry report on the top left.

VOLATILITY

» Volatility and Correlation Analysis – Use VCA <GO> to compare spreads against actual volatility levels and implied vols quoted in the market. Find rich/cheap vols compared to the historical average.
» Volatility Comparison – Leverage VOLC <GO> to graphically plot implied vs realized volatility over time.
» Volatility Surface – Leverage OVDV <GO> to see the entire volatility surface based on multiple market participants, create synthetic surfaces for illiquid pairs based on your correlation assumptions or see how the surface changes based on your change to the ATM, RR or BF.
» Option Quick Pricing Tails – In Instant Bloomberg (IB) chat, type OVML followed by your contract details within curly brackets to quickly send a link of a customized option strategy. Example – {HYPERLINK OVML GBPUSD P 1.6 31-12-14 <GO>}. See DOCS 2057074 <GO> for more details.

FORECASTING

» Economic Forecasts & Rankings – Use ECFC <GO> to see quarterly/annual forecasts, and ECOS <GO> to break down forecasts on a single economic indicator.
» FX Forecasts & Rankings – FXFC <GO> evaluates foreign exchange forecasts from individual forecast providers to show relative performance.
» FX Rate Forecast Model – FXFM <GO> translates implied volatility levels from the FX option market into probability, so you can determine the chances that an FX scenario will be realized during the selected date range.

FORWARDS AND RATES

» Forward Calculator – Drag and drop multiple price indications from excel to FRD <GO>.
» Interest Rate Swap Rates – IRSB <GO> displays real-time prices for interest rate swap yields and spreads for a selected country, so you can compare intraday market data to historical data in a single view.

TRADING FUTURES

» Use Bloomberg Tradebook to execute orders on Currencies and futures. Leave orders based on ECO releases. See TBH <GO> for details.
» Leverage the free EMSX platform as an added avenue for liquidity in the FX and Interest rate futures market. See BEMS <GO> for details.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

» Leverage the Bloomberg Helpdesk 24/7 for assistance with functionality and troubleshooting.
» Desktop Build Group support for Excel sheet build outs.
» Availability of onsite support with currency market and economics specialists.
» More on Bloomberg –
  » FXGO <GO> – Foreign Exchange Resource Center
  » BPS <GO> – Bloomberg Resource Center
  » NEW <GO> – New Bloomberg Enhancements
  » DRVD <GO> – Derivatives Documentation Center

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