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Net USD Short Extends

Data in this report cover up to Tuesday Jun 23 and were released on Friday Jun 26.

- CFTC net non-commercial positioning data for the major currencies show that investors increased their net USD short by USD1.3bn to USD17.35bn in the key currencies that we track, following the previous week's large USD7.3bn build-up, to remain at a two-year-plus high as markets build a more negative view of the greenback in light of economic reopenings and an overabundance of dollar liquidity thanks to the Fed's stimulus measures.
- Across the key currencies, the JPY saw the biggest week-to-week change in its net position vis-à-vis the USD with the net JPY long rising by USD647mn—accounting for practically half of the increase in the USD's net short for the week. The JPY recorded an unusually sharp gain on the final day covered by the CFTC's report to reach its strongest point since early-May before stabilizing during in the days since. Speculative adjustment in the yen was not mirrored by its safe-haven peer, the CHF, with its net long declining by USD19mn amid a neutral risk backdrop during the data week. A worsening of market optimism through Thursday and Friday amid US contagion concerns may have pushed investors toward CHF and JPY, although their performance in the spot market would not imply such a move.
- The CAD's net short shrank by USD345mn to its lowest point since mid-March at USD1.53bn as investors mainly reduce their short contracts exposure amid stabilization in financial markets while gross longs remain steady. Positioning for its commodity peers the AUD and MXN saw relatively minor adjustments in their favour against the USD at +USD117mn and +USD22mn, respectively, with the peso's net position relatively neutral at USD517mn compared to the sizeable net long that persisted in the MXN through 2019 and early-2020. On the flip side, the AUD's net short is at its lowest point since April 2020 at USD333mn. Its antipodean neighbor, the NZD, saw a USD124mn in net shorts that took the kiwi's net aggregate position to –USD1mn, just short of neutral.

	Sent	USD mns				
23-Jun	Bias	Trend	Position	w/w chg.		
CAD	bearish	decreasing	-1,538	345		
EUR	bullish	increasing	16,743	250		
GBP	bearish	neutral	-1,449	-192		
AUD	neutral	neutral	-333	117		
NZD	neutral	neutral	-1	124		
MXN	bullish	neutral	517	22		
CHF	neutral	neutral	192	-19		
JPY	bullish	increasing	3,222	647		
Gold	bullish	increasing	44,556	5,822		
Total US	D position e	-17,352	-1,293			

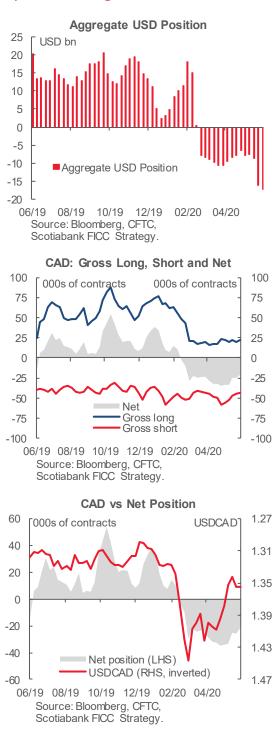
CAD - NON-COMMERCIAL POSITIONING

	(USD mn)	Positic					
Date	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	Open Int.	
23-Jun	-1,538	22,852	-43,686	-20,834	-4,652	105,412	
16-Jun	-1,882	19,695	-45,181	-25,486	657	125,654	
9-Jun	-1,851	22,298	-47,127	-24,829	-8,309	120,459	
2-Jun	-2,451	19,774	-52,912	-33,138	-816	128,476	

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Source: Bloomberg, CFTC, Scotiabank FICC Strategy.

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Net Long/Short Position vs USD

- Current net position

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CAD EUR GBP JPY AUD NZD MXN CHF

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JPY: Gross Long, Short and Net

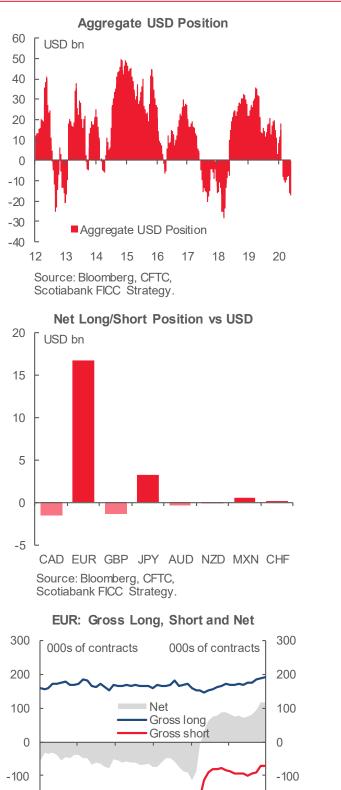
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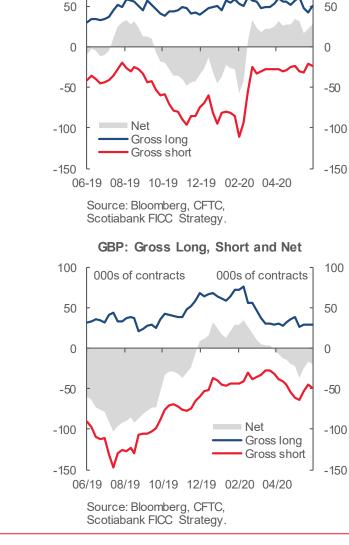
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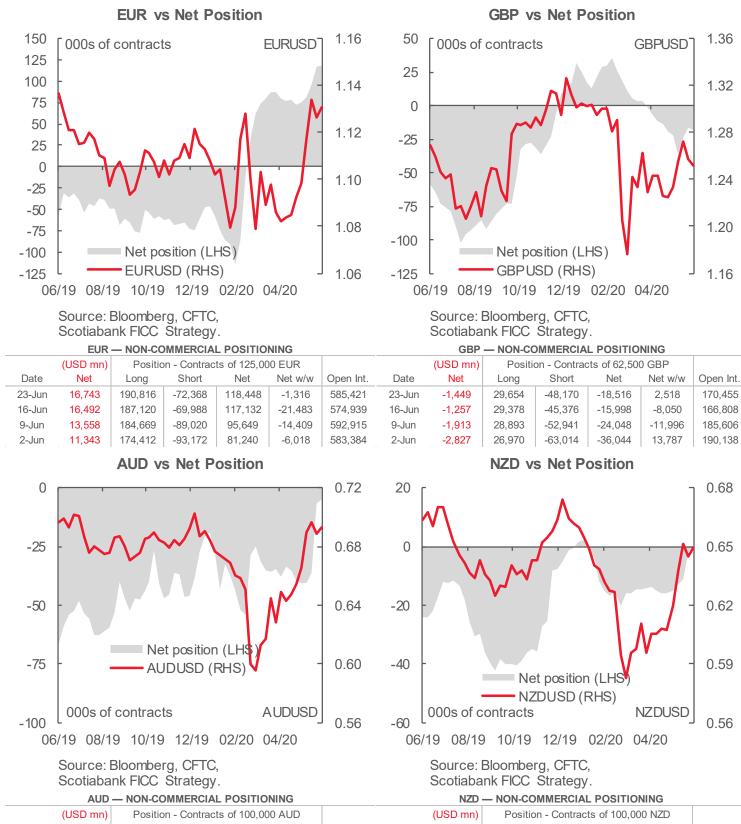




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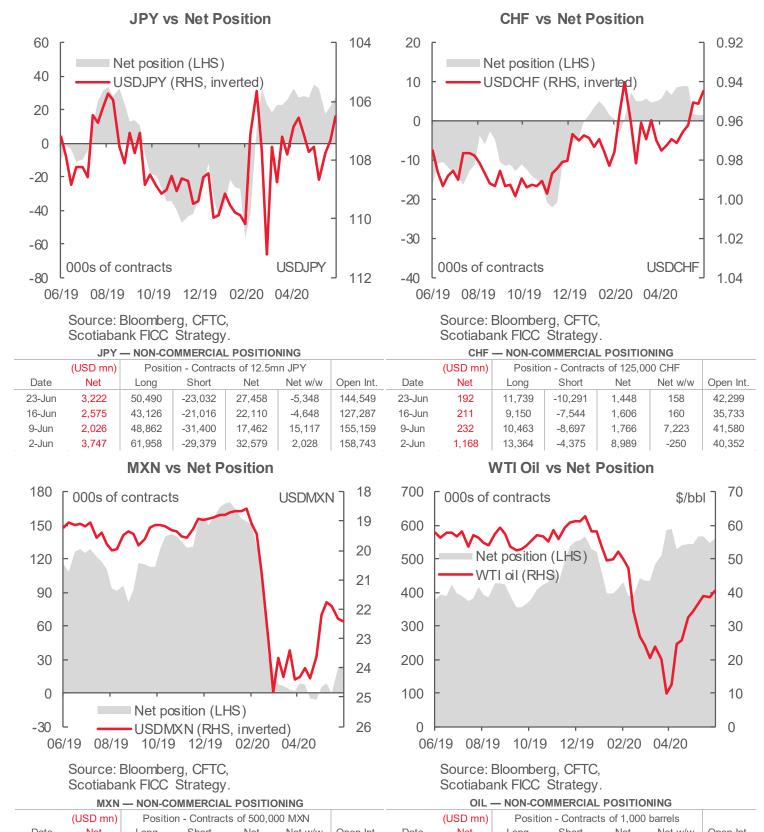


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	Date	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	Open Int.	Date	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	Open Int.
:	23-Jun	-333	35,974	-40,784	-4,810	-1,722	93,782	23-Jun	-1	16,174	-16,189	-15	-1,917	29,351
	16-Jun	-450	31,685	-38,217	-6,532	-30,043	90,803	16-Jun	-125	14,452	-16,384	-1,932	-9,309	27,321
	9-Jun	-2,546	29,912	-66,487	-36,575	-4,216	138,936	9-Jun	-732	15,165	-26,406	-11,241	-1,682	46,711
	2-Jun	-2,813	26,571	-67,362	-40,791	253	135,378	2-Jun	-823	14,318	-27,241	-12,923	-2,120	46,537

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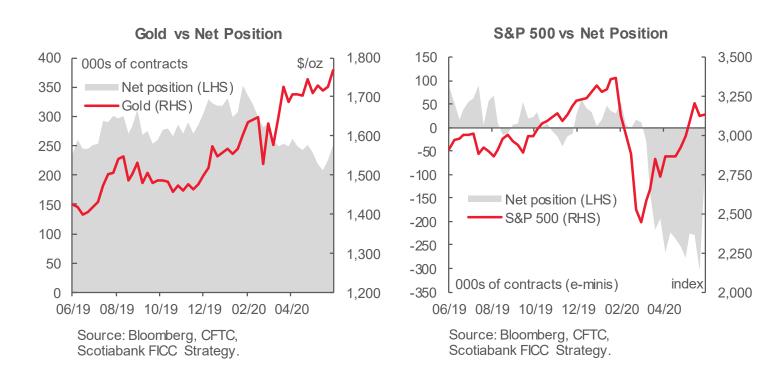


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Date	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	Open Int.	Date	Net	Long	Short	Net	Net w/w	Open Int.
23-Jun	517	51,601	-28,423	23,178	-1,072	113,290	23-Jun	22,643	711,257	-150,374	560,883	-14,611	2,003,477
16-Jun	495	49,258	-27,152	22,106	-22,952	109,329	16-Jun	20,966	706,483	-160,211	546,272	21,637	2,076,990
9-Jun	-19	58,953	-59,799	-846	9,163	135,937	9-Jun	22,114	732,934	-165,025	567,909	421	2,126,629
2-Jun	191	56,663	-48,346	8,317	-3,626	122,614	2-Jun	20,920	729,172	-160,842	568,330	-25,756	2,127,664

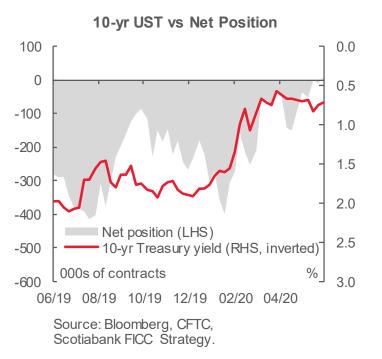
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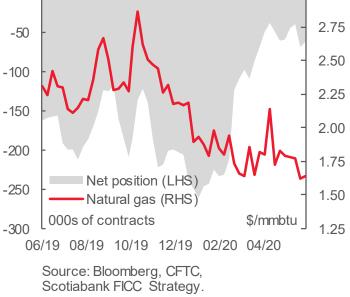


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Natural Gas vs Net Position



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