

DM Headlines

- Powell Says Economy Making Real Progress, But Not for Everyone
Fed chair says U.S. economic outlook has 'clearly brightened'
Rebound slower for Americans on lower wages, less education
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJPGADWLU7J>
- U.S. Factory Growth Settles Back as Supply Snags Linger
ISM index eased in April from highest level since 1983
Order backlogs, costs of materials continue to build
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJNOUDWLU6F>
- Treasury Quadruples Borrowing Estimates to Pay for Stimulus
Treasury continues to work down cash stockpile from record
U.S. to release quarterly debt issuance plan on Wednesday
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJS0IDWRGG0>
- U.S. WEEK AHEAD: Fed Taper Timing Hangs on a 'String'
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSIZPTDWLU6J>
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- Rate Hike Cycle Uncertainty Bets Appear in Swaptions: Barclays
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJKIVDWLU6E>
- Oil Holds Advance Above \$64 as Traders Bet on Improving Demand
Steps toward reopening in Europe, U.S. offset crisis in India
WTI little changed after 1.4% rise on first trading day of May
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSKDWZDWX2PU>
- Productivity Is Looking Up, and the Gains Could Lift Growth
The pandemic normalized WFH and accelerated adoption of new technologies such as automation, all of which could translate into a meaningful boost for GDP.
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSKDTYT0G1L4>
- Rental Companies Buy Up Used Cars as Chip Crisis Get Worse (2)
Hertz, Enterprise turn to auctions with new cars scarce
Car crunch will boost rates for companies -- and hurt renters
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJZVMDWRGG1>
- Europe Is Casting Aside Double-Dip Slump as Growth Restarts (2)
EU-funded fiscal stimulus is coming closer to reality
Economy prospects are brighter than any prior moment of crisis
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJ65MDWX2Q1>
- Italy Minister Says Recovery Plan Hinges on Private Sector Boost
Infrastructure minister envisages mix of EU, private funding
Country creating 'favorable environment' for outside backers
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJ71BDWX2PV>
- China Tensions Spill Over as Europe Moves Toward Biden's Side
The biggest shift could come later this year if Germany's Greens take on a role in government after the September election.
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJZY0DWRGG2>
- EU Looks to Open Borders After a Year of Pandemic Isolation (1)
Bloc plans quarantine-free travel for inoculated visitors
New system for non-essential travel could be in place by June



- <https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJ8LHDWRGG0>
- Guindos Says Economy Key for ECB Crisis Measure Exit: Repubblica
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSIMCYDWLU6D>
- BMO Notes ECB's de Guindos Comments on Bond Purchases
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJ803BP8R28>

- BOE Weighs When to Taper Its Stimulus as U.K. Economy Rebounds
Central bank on track to buy \$209 billion of bonds this year
Investors are starting to anticipate when policy will tighten
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSBOJIDWLU6R>
- Scottish Question Hangs Over U.K. Assets From Pound to Banks
'Long U.K.' trade could unravel on referendum risk, UBS warns
But 'Mr. Brexit' Jordan Rochester isn't hedging for losses yet
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QR6TM6T0G1L4>
- Boris Johnson Predicts Lockdown Ending June 21 as He Seeks Votes
Elections in Scotland, Wales, English local districts Thursday
Premier says indoor hospitality likely to resume from May 17
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJWMMT0AFB6>

- Australia Central Bank Upgrades Outlook, to Review YCC in July
RBA keeps cash rate, 3-year yield target unchanged as expected
Central bank sees unemployment at 4.5% at the end of next year
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSKFLKDWX2PV>
- Australia Net Exports to Drag on First Quarter GDP, Capital Says
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSK7YYDWX2PS>
- Fade RBA Rate Hike Pricing With Swap Curve Steepeners: Goldman
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSI6QJDWRGQA>
- RBA cash rate 0.10% vs est. 0.10%
- RBA 3-year target 0.10% vs est. 0.10%
- Australia March trade balance A\$5574m vs est. A\$8200m
- Australia March home loans value +5.5% m/m vs revised -0.3% prior

- Japan's PM Says Revising Constitution an Election Issue: Sankei
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSI6P2DWLU68>

EM Headlines

- Modi Fights Pressure to Lock Down India as Virus Deaths Rise
One of nation's biggest industry bodies seeks strict measures
Economic cost weighs on ordering a nationwide lockdown
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSKBDFDWX2PW>
- India Crisis Reveals Complacency, Lack of Foresight: Rajan (1)
Former RBI chief says central bank 'accommodative as possible'
U.S. Fed may 'rethink' policies, which could surprise markets
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSKCXSDWX2PV>
- Rupee Bond Traders to Await \$2B State-Debt Sale: Inside India
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSK89CDWRGG0>
- INDIA INSIGHT: Rupee to Weaken Further as Outbreak Continues
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSK37KDWX2PW>
- China Huarong Seeks to Reassure Investors That It Can Repay Debt
Board secretary says Huarong is in a good financial position
Government support for firm hasn't changed, executive says
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSIYJSDWRGG0>
- Australia Probe of China Port Signals Trouble for Beijing (1)
Morrison's government review may lead to forced sale of lease
U.S. pushing countries to shun China for strategic investments
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSK1WCDWLUF1>
- Won Rises as Higher CPI Signals Economic Recovery: Inside Korea
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSK4RCDWX2Q2>
- Korea Inflation Hits Four-Year High as Pandemic's Grip Eases
Reading surpasses economists' median estimate of 2.1%
Base effects from pandemic boosted inflation amid recovery
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSK235DWRGG1>
- IDR Rises on Heavy Inflows, Sukuk Sale Watched: Inside Indonesia
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSK3ZCDWLU68>
- Indonesian Bonds Compare Poorly to Mexican and Russian Yields
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSK5P5DWLU6H>

- Mexico Hits Remittances Record in March as U.S. Stimulus Flows
Citizens sent home \$4.15 billion in March, up 31% m/m
Money is lifeline amid absence of government aid in Mexico
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJCWBDWLU6C>
- AstraZeneca's Mexico Production to Be 3m to 6m A Week: Herrera
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSK22RDWRGG6>
- Brazil Traders Risk Being Too Hawkish Still on Future Rate Hikes
Real has climbed after resolution of nation's budget gridlock
Inflation readings more muted than expected before BCB meeting
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSDX0UT0AFBA>
- Brazil's Tax Reform Report to Be Read Tmrw at Congress Committee
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJHZSDWLU6D>
- Chile Economic Activity Posts Monthly Drop Amid Virus Surge
March economic activity -1.6% m/m and +6.4% y/y: central bank



RUBRICS

- Data coincides with expansion of quarantines against Covid
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSDX8LDWRGG7>
- Colombian Peso Dives on Reports of Finance Minister Quitting (2)
Reports add to growing sense in Colombia amid mass protests
Investors fear downgrade as plan to raise taxes shelved
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJPVZDWLU70>
- Polish Govt May Return to Pension Fund Revamp in June: DGP
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSKHV9DWLU6G>
- Polish Inflation Surges Even Before Virus Curbs Are Eased (1)
Consumer prices jumped 4.3% y/y in April; analysts saw 3.9%
Loosening lockdown is likely to further stoke inflation
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSDN1VDWX2QM>
- Poland's Inflation Surprise Piles Pressure on Bonds: Inside CEE
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSDB0IDWX2Q2>
- Hungary Reopens for People Holding COVID-19 Immunity Cards
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSFK2I3V2800>
- Czech Rate Hike Bets Boosted by Resilient Economy: Inside CEE
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSIRJWDWRGGA>
- Biggest Yield Spike in EU Is Over for \$13 Billion Czech Investor
Erste AM's Smid says Czech bond yields are 'near the peak'
Domestic demand may mitigate possible JPMorgan index outflows
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSBQ08DWX2PX>
- Czech Rep. April PMI 58.9 vs 58 in March; Est. 59
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSISRPT0AFB6>
- Russia Hikes Oil Output in April as Its OPEC+ Quota Rises (1)
Crude and condensate output was 10.46 million barrels a day
OPEC+ deal lets Russia raise output further from May to July
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSGYBODWRGG1>
- South African Bonds Gain as Treasury Cuts Back on Auctions
It's the second reduction in bond auctions since March
Long-dated government bonds climb after the announcement
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSJCQYDWX2PS>
- South Africa Manufacturing PMI Dips First Time in Four Months
Absa PMI fell to 56.2 in April from 57.4 in the previous month
Index tracking mood in six months' time at three-year high
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSIMORDWLU69>
- J&J Delay Is Latest Setback to South Africa Vaccination Plans
Safety verification process holding up dispatch of shots
Delivery is now expected by mid-May, government says
<https://blinks.bloomberg.com/news/stories/QSIZP1T1UM1M>