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Main drivers for the financial markets today...

- **Mixed stock markets with S&P Futures down, USD up and mixed government bond yields amid a relief rally and inflation concerns even after the Fed raised its interest rate 50bps, to rein in runaway price growth, signaling similar moves for the upcoming couple of meetings**
- **The Bank of England raised its reference rate by 25bp, placing it at 1.0%. The decision was not unanimous with 6 of the 9 members voting in favor and 3 supporting a more aggressive 50bp hike. The latter were especially concerned about the rise in wages. Although the central bank considers that the economy will avoid a recession, they anticipate growth of only 1.0% in 4Q22**
- **Later, the monetary policy decision of the Central Bank of Chile is expected, where a moderation in the pace rate hikes is estimated. Although inflation is shaping up to reach double digits, there are also signs of a slowdown in economic activity. After two consecutive hikes of 150bp, an increase of 100bp is anticipated**
- **OPEC and its allies are meeting, and it is being recommended that the group stick to its plan to increase production by 432,000 barrels per day by June, ignoring calls to increase production due to a surge in China’s demand**
- **Regarding economic data, in the US, jobless claims will be published for the week ending April 30. We estimate they will remain below the level of 200k that was observed prior to the pandemic, confirming that the recovery of the labor market continues**
- **In Mexico, attention on the Citibanamex expectations survey**

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The most relevant economic data...

	Event/Period	Unit	Banorte	Survey	Previous
<i>UK</i>					
7:00	Monetary policy decision (BoE)	%	--	1.000	0.750
<i>United States</i>					
8:30	Initial jobless claims* - Apr 30	thousands	185	180	180
<i>Mexico</i>					
15:30	Survey of expectations (Citibanamex)				
<i>Chile</i>					
18:00	Monetary policy decision (BCCh)	%	--	--	7.00

Source: Bloomberg and Banorte. (P) preliminary data; (R) revised data; (F) final data; * Seasonally adjusted; ** Seasonally adjusted annualized rate.

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A glimpse to the main financial assets

	Last	Daily chg.
<i>Equity indices</i>		
S&P 500 Futures	4,268.25	-0.6%
Euro Stoxx 50	3,782.50	1.5%
Nikkei 225	26,818.53	0.0%
Shanghai Composite	3,067.76	0.7%
<i>Currencies</i>		
USD/MXN	20.12	0.5%
EUR/USD	1.05	-0.7%
DX	103.31	0.7%
<i>Commodities</i>		
WTI	108.70	0.8%
Brent	111.28	1.0%
Gold	1,897.65	0.9%
Copper	432.65	0.0%
<i>Sovereign bonds</i>		
10-year Treasury	2.95	1pb

Source: Bloomberg

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Equities

- **Stock markets, with a positive bias, with investors assessing the expectation of a less aggressive monetary policy by the Fed, while concerns about inflationary pressures continue**
- **Futures in the US anticipate a negative opening with the S&P500 trading 0.6% below its theoretical value. Meanwhile, Europe trades with a rise of 1.3% on average, driven by the technology and real estate sectors. In turn, Asia closed mixed, highlighting the increase in the Shanghai of 0.7% and the fall of the Hang of 0.4%, while the markets in Japan and South Korea were closed for holidays**
- **Out of the 39 S&P500 companies scheduled to report today, 17 have already updated their numbers, most of them better than expected, including ConocoPhillips. In Mexico, yesterday Volaris reported April's passenger figures reflecting a strong demand supported by Easter Week, while Gap confirmed a solid dynamism in its traffic and Oma reached pre-pandemic levels**

Sovereign fixed income, currencies and commodities

- **Sovereign bonds with mixed performance, European assets adjusting +/-2bp while the US Treasury curve is flattening with 5bps pressure on the short-end and few changes on the long-end. Yesterday the Mbonos' curve closed with gains of 4bps on average and the Mbono May'31 closed at 9.09% (-3bps)**
- **USD strengthens (DXY +0.4%) as developed and emerging currencies trade with negative bias. In the G-10 group, GBP (-1.4%) is the weakest as it assimilates the BoE decision. In emerging markets, trading is capped by THB (+1.3%) and ZAR (-1.4%), while the Mexican peso depreciates 0.3% to 20.09 per dollar**
- **Crude oil prices advance 0.3% with markets attentive to the OPEC+ ministerial meeting. In metals, gold advances 1.0% to 1,899 \$/ozT while industrials trade with negative bias**

Previous closing levels

	Last	Daily chg.
<i>Equity indices</i>		
Dow Jones	34,061.06	2.8%
S&P 500	4,300.17	3.0%
Nasdaq	12,964.86	3.2%
IPC	51,432.63	0.7%
Ibovespa	108,343.74	1.7%
Euro Stoxx 50	3,724.99	-1.0%
FTSE 100	7,493.45	-0.9%
CAC 40	6,395.68	-1.2%
DAX	13,970.82	-0.5%
Nikkei 225	26,818.53	0.0%
Hang Seng	20,869.52	-1.1%
Shanghai Composite	3,047.06	0.0%
<i>Sovereign bonds</i>		
2-year Treasuries	2.64	-14pb
10-year Treasuries	2.93	-4pb
28-day Cetes	6.88	3pb
28-day TIIE	6.76	0pb
2-year Mbono	8.93	-5pb
10-year Mbono	9.12	-3pb
<i>Currencies</i>		
USD/MXN	20.02	-1.3%
EUR/USD	1.06	1.0%
GBP/USD	1.26	1.1%
DXY	102.59	-0.8%
<i>Commodities</i>		
WTI	107.81	5.3%
Brent	110.14	4.9%
Mexican mix	104.18	2.1%
Gold	1,881.22	0.7%
Copper	433.80	1.3%

Source: Bloomberg

Corporate Debt

- **S&P Global Ratings downgraded the rating for Demex 1’s issuance, DMXI 15 to ‘mxCCC-’ from ‘mxCCC+’ and placed it on Negative Credit Watch due to a decline in the project’s liquidity position and its free cash Flow generation capacity. The agency considers that there’s a high probability of a default on its financial obligations in July 2022**
- **HR Ratings affirmed Grupo Profuturo’s ratings at ‘HR AAA’ with a Stable Outlook. The ratification was based on the adequate performance of its main business liness, which resulted in a net profit generation of MXN 3.14 billion in 4Q21**

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