

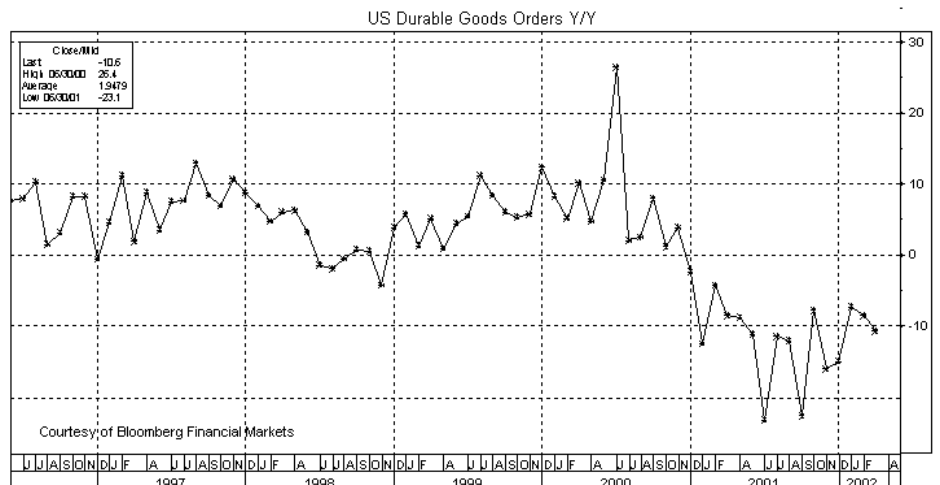
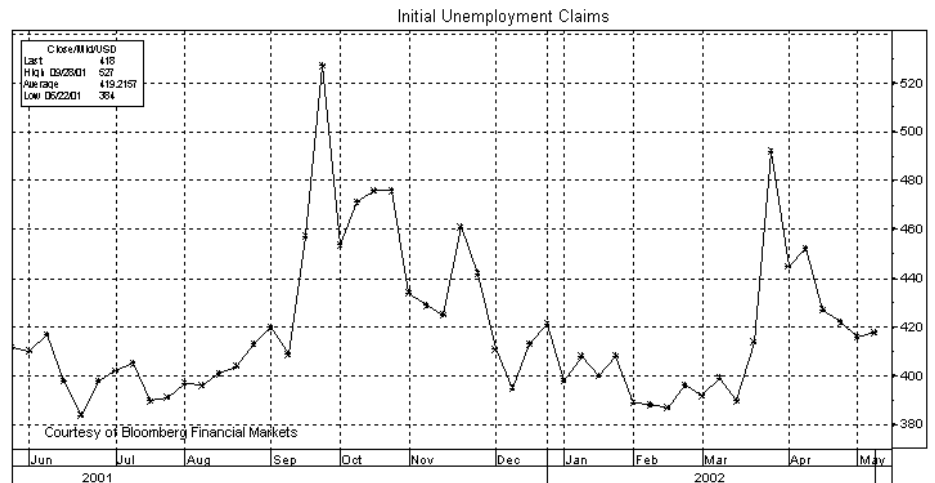
**Thursday 5/23/02 -- Americas**

**Comment** -- The US markets will focus on (1) this morning's US durable goods and unemployment claims reports, (2) any developments on the US government's terrorist warnings, (3) the tense situation in the Middle East and between India and Pakistan, (4) the dollar which continued to show weakness yesterday despite a round of BOJ intervention, (5) the stock market which recovered mildly yesterday, (6) the US credit market which continued to rally yesterday, and (7) gold prices which posted another new 2-year high yesterday.

**Durable goods orders expected to show modest +0.5% gain** -- Today's April durable goods orders report is expected to show a gain of +0.5% m/m, reversing March's -0.5% decline. March durable goods orders were down -10.6% on a year-on-year basis but should start to improve significantly on a year-on-year basis in coming months due to the weak year-earlier base. On a year-on-year basis, the series hit a cyclical low of -22.6% back in September. Durable goods orders are expected to firm up in coming months as businesses are forced to replenish low inventories and as demand is confirmed. April retail sales soared by +1.2% which depressed inventory levels. Excluding transportation orders, which are expected to be weak, April goods orders are expected to rise +1.0% after March's -0.1% decline.

**Claims are expected to move lower** -- Unemployment claims in the week ended 18 are expected to fall -8,000 to 410,000. Claims in the past 2 weeks have remained around the 420,000 area versus the 390,000 area seen before the mid-March surge to 492,000 tied to the extension of unemployment benefits. The slow decline in claims in the past several weeks is evidence of continued softness in the US labor market.

**Gold edges to another new 2-year high** -- Cash gold yesterday rallied to another new 2-year high of \$319.65. Gold has rallied by about \$12 in the past week and by more than \$50 in the past



year. June gold futures yesterday closed -\$2.80 at \$318.90. Gold rallied yesterday on continued strong technicals, the ongoing tensions related to terrorism and to the Middle East and Indian subcontinent, and yesterday's continued weakness in the dollar.

**Crude oil continues lower from last week's 8-month high** -- July crude oil prices yesterday fell -13 cents to \$26.30 and posted a new 2-week low of \$26.15. The market is now down \$2 from last Tuesday's 8-month high of \$29.45 on the weekly nearest futures chart. That sell-off was mainly due to Russia's rejection of the export restrictions it had agreed to as part of a deal with OPEC. The market slid yesterday on the late-Tuesday API report

which showed a 5.6 million barrel rise (+1.8%) in US oil inventories, the first rise in 3 weeks. Gasoline inventories fell 0.5% and distillate fuel inventories fell 0.1%. Refiners were running at 91.4% of capacity, down 1.1 percentage points from the previous week.

**US Interest Rates -- US credit market continues higher** -- **Futures closes:** USM02 +0-18 at 101-26; TYM02 +0-120 at 106-000; FVM02 +0-090 at 106-225; TUM02 +0-037 at 104-247; EDZ02 +.0550 at 97.0400. Cash closes (3PM NY): cash 30-yr +0-15 at 96-13; cash 30-yr yield -.034 at 5.629; cash 10-yr +0-11 at 98-09; cash 10-yr yield -.045 at 5.102; cash 5-yr +0-08 at 99-26; cash 5-yr yield -.057 at 4.418; cash 2-yr +0-170 at

002-200; cash 2-yr yield -.059 at 3.165; 3-mo T-bill -.020 at 1.690.

June T-bonds yesterday posted a 1-1/2 week high and are now in the upper half of the range established by the early-May sell-off from the 2-1/2 month high of 103-04 (May 1) and last Tuesday's 1-month low of 99-27. Dec Euros yesterday posted a new 2-week high of 97.090 and stopped just 1 bp shy of the early-May 6-1/2 month high of 97.100.

**Bullish factors** included (1) early weakness in US stocks, (2) continued nervousness about the spate of terrorist warnings by US officials and about whether there may be an attack over the Memorial Day weekend, (3) additional flight-to-quality support from another suicide bombing in Israel (which increases the chances for another Israeli incursion into the Palestinian territories) and from the high tensions between India and Pakistan who continue shell each other across the Line of Control in Kashmir, (4) another coupon pass yesterday which soaked up more secondary supply, and (5) lower crude oil prices.

**Bearish factors** included (1) yesterday's upward rebound in stocks, (2) yesterday's new lows in the dollar which discourages foreign investment in US securities and contributes to US import inflation, (2) yesterday's continued rally in gold prices to a new 2-year high, and (3) the \$2 billion boost in the size of the 2-year T-note auction to \$27.0 billion.

The Treasury yesterday announced that next week's 2-year T-note auction will be \$27.0 billion, up from the \$25.0 billion size seen in the past 4 monthly auctions. That was on the higher end of expectations. The larger 2-year was made necessary by the Treasury's cut in this week's 4-week T-bill auction to \$18 billion (from \$25 billion) and by the Treasury's poor revenue situation.

**US Stock Market -- US Stock Index Settles:** Dow Industrials +52.17 at 10157.9; S&P 500 +6.14 at 1086.02; SPM2 +2.00 at 1085.10; NASDAQ Composite +9.26 at 1673.45; Russell 2000 -1.55 at 493.91. NYSE volume yesterday remained light at 1.14 billion, below the 3-month average of 1.31 bln shares. Market breadth was slightly bullish with 1,614 advancing shares versus 1,549 declining shares.

June S&Ps and the cash S&P index yesterday extended the 3-session downmove from last Friday's 1-month highs of 1109.10 and 1106.59,

respectively, to new 1-1/2 week lows but then recovered modestly. The indexes are still well above the recent 7-month lows of 1045.80 and 1048.96, respectively, posted in early May. The cash Nasdaq 100 yesterday remained well below last Wednesday's 1-month high of 1350.54. The Dow Industrials remained well below last Friday's 1-1/2 month high of 10,353.43.

**Bullish factors** included (1) some short-covering after the sharp sell-off seen early this week, (2) a rally in Johnson & Johnson (+\$1.36 to \$62.00) on a positive study on its drug-coated artery stent, (3) the continued rally in the US credit market with Dec Euros nearly posting a new 6-1/2 month high.

**Bearish factors** included (1) continued concern about the terrorist warnings and whether they will damage consumer and business confidence, (2) underlying concerns about weaker than expected US economic growth and lackluster earnings, and (3) yesterday's continued weakness in the dollar which deters foreign investors from investing in the US stock market.

**Forex -- Dollar closes (3PM NY):** Dollar closes (3PM NY): cash dollar index -.44 at 112.33; dlr/yen +.11 at 124.21; dlr/Swiss -.0082 at 1.5686; stlg/dlr -.0017 at 1.4582; USD/CAD -.0053 at 1.5332. Euro closes: euro/dlr +.0063 at .9263; euro/yen +.85 at 115.01; euro/Swiss +.0023 at 1.4532. Futures closes: DXM02 -.48 at 112.46; JYM02 -.0020 at .8062; ECM02 +.00620 at .92520; SFM02 +.0032 at .6377; BPM02 -.0008 at 1.4566; CDM02 +.0022 at .6518.

The **dlr/yen** yesterday posted another new 5-month low of 123.53 before recovering somewhat on the BOJ's intervention. The **euro/dlr** yesterday posted a new 7-month high of .9276, which was only about 1/2 cent below the 14-month high of .9331 posted last September.

Bearish factors for the dollar included (1) continued technical weakness with the new low in the dollar/yen and the new high in the euro/dollar, (2) continued capital flows into the yen as investors seek investment bargains if the Japanese economy is in fact bottoming, and (3) underlying concerns about weaker than expected US economic growth and the massive US current account deficit.

The dollar/yen yesterday closed just slightly higher despite BOJ intervention that was confirmed by Japanese Minister Shiokawa. The inability of the dollar/yen to

hold the initial gain on the intervention exposed the extent of the dollar/yen's underlying weakness and will only encourage more selling in coming days.

The BOJ's intervention yesterday was the first since last September. Yesterday's intervention was not surprising given the warnings by top Japanese officials early this week. The Japanese government is desperate to keep the yen's value down since it is relying on exports to be the engine to drive the Japanese economy out of recession. Mr. Shiokawa yesterday said that Japan sold yen because the yen's rise was "too rapid" and "abnormal." He said that, "Such a rapid rise is troublesome to everyone." He also said that Japan doesn't plan to ask other nations to join in the yen intervention effort. The US would be unlikely to join the intervention in any event given the US Treasury's hands-off policy toward the currency markets. However, the Fed could sell yen for the BOJ's account if the BOJ wants to extend the intervention into the US trading session.

**European Comment -- Euro zone** -- German March construction orders rose sharply by +5.8% m/m for the third consecutive monthly rise. On a year-on-year basis, construction orders turned positive at +5.7% y/y for the first time in the current business cycle.

**UK** -- The Bank of England at its meeting earlier this month on May 8-9 voted unanimously 9-0 to leave interest rates unchanged, according to the minutes of the meeting released yesterday. The minutes said, "The prospects for the world economy now appeared to be a little less strong than had seemed likely a month ago.... The rapid recovery in the United States, associated in large part with the stock cycle, had faltered in the past month and it seemed probable that the pace of the recovery there would not moderate." The minutes suggest that the MPC is not close to raising interest rates and that a rate hike is not likely until July or August.

**European closes** -- Closes: June Bunds +.11 at 105.80, Dec Liffe Euribor +4 bp at 95.840, June gilts +.08 at 111.59, Dec short-sterling +7 bp at 94.880, Eurotop 100 -42 at 2666 (-1.53%).

**Asian Comment -- Japan** -- Optimism that Japan's economy may have bottomed grew yesterday after Japan's all-industry index, which is designed to track GDP, rose by +1.2% in March and by +0.6% for Q1 as a whole. The services index rose sharply by +1.2% m/m in March. The report supported expectations for a positive Japanese Q1 GDP report.

However, the agency that compiles the industry index, the Ministry of Economic, Trade and Industry (METI), said that, "It's too early for us to judge whether the tertiary industry activity has hit bottom."

The BOJ in its monthly report released yesterday joined the government in upgrading its assessment of the economy for the third straight month. The BOJ said that, "The pace of deterioration in Japan's economy has moderated.... Production is starting to pick up, reflecting the increase in exports and progress" in reducing inventories. However, the BOJ said that a recovery will be "modest" because of weak consumer spending and because business investment will continue "follow a down-trend for a while." The BOJ

did not go as far as the government in declaring that the recession is over.

Japan's Q1 GDP was up sharply by +2.2% q/q and 8.9% y/y, according to a survey of six research companies polled by the *Nihon Keizai* newspaper. The poll showed average expectations for a 7% y/y rise in exports and a 2% q/q rise in consumer spending. The government will release the Q1 GDP report on June 7.

**Japanese Markets** -- June SGX 10-year JGBs yesterday closed -.01 at 138.62, posting a new 3-week low and falling farther from last Thursday's 6-month high of 139.12. Bearish factors centered on the strong industry index report. However, JGBs were supported by the

BOJ's less optimistic view of the economy than the government and by today's very strong auction of \$10.4 billion in 10-year JGBs yesterday where the bid cover ratio was more than 10 to 1 versus the last auction's cover of 2.3 times. Dec SGX Euroyen yesterday closed +0.5 bp at 99.870, slightly below the contract high of 99.885.

The Nikkei index yesterday closed +161 at 11,962, edging to a new 2-month high of 11,963. That was only mildly below the 9-month high of 12,034 posted on March 11. Japanese stocks were boosted by the favorable industry index report which boosted banking, telecom and retail stocks. Stocks were also supported by the BOJ's intervention to curb the yen's strength which is hurting Japanese profits.

**OPTIMA FINANCIAL NEWS SCHEDULE**^ Thu 5/23/02

**A. Today's News** (ET & GMT release time shown)

Thu	US	0830 ET	1230	Initial unemployment claims for week ending May 18 expected 410,000 previous 418,000.
		0830 ET	1230	Apr durable goods orders expected +0.5%, Mar -0.5%, less transportation expected +1.0%, Mar -0.1%.
		0930 ET	1330	Dallas Fed president McTeer speaks on US economy in Plano, Texas.
		1000 ET	1400	Chicago Fed President Moscov speaks at Iron and Steel Institute meeting.
		n/a		Earnings expected today: Barnes & Noble, Ciena, Novell, Sun Microsystems, Williams-Sonoma, among others.
	GER	0200 ET	0600	German Q1 GDP expected +0.1% q/q and -0.3% y/y.
		n/a		German May CPI North Rhine-Westphalia, Apr +0.1% m/m, +1.4% y/y.
				German May CPI Hesse, Brandenburg (May 23-24)
	UK	0430 ET	0830	UK Apr retail sales expected +0.4% m/m, Mar +0.1%, +5.2% y/y, Mar +5.6%.
				UK Apr car production, Mar 3-months/3-months +5.3%, 3-months/yr ago +12.3%.
				UK Q1 total business investment, Q4 -0.3% q/q, previous -7.4% y/y.
				UK CBI industrial trends survey.
				UK initial unemployment claims, for week ending May 18.
		1030 ET	1430	UK Apr coincident indicator index, Mar +0.1% m/m.
				UK Apr leading Indicator index, Mar +0.3% m/m.
	JPN	1950 ET	2350	Japan Mar average lending rate, Feb 1.561%.
	FRA	0245 ET	0645	French Apr consumer spending expected -0.2% m/m Mar +1.2%, expected +2.9% y/y, Mar +2.7%.

**B. Future News:**

Sometime this week:

	GER	n/a		German Mar industrial output, Feb +0.5% m/m, -5.1% y/y.
		n/a		German Apr PPI, Mar +0.3 m/m, -0.2 y/y.
Fri	US	0830 ET	1230	Q1 GDP expected to be revised to +6.0% from last +5.8% q/q, GDP price deflator expected unrevised at +0.8%.
				Q1 corporate profits.
		1000 ET	1400	Apr new home sales expected +0.8% at 885,000, from Mar at 878,000.
	UK	0430 ET	0830	UK Q1 GDP expected +0.1% q/q, previous unch, expected +1.0% y/y, previous +1.6%.
	FRA	0245 ET	0645	French Q1 GDP expected +0.4% q/q and +0.6% y/y.
		0250 ET	0650	French Apr CPI, Mar +0.5% m/m, +2.1% y/y. Apr CPI EU harmonized, Mar 0+0.5% m/m, Mar +2.2% y/y.
	JPN	0100 ET	0500	Japan BOJ releases minutes of Apr 10-11 meeting.
Week of May 27-31				
Sometime this week:				
	GER	n/a		German Mar construction orders, Feb +6.1% y/y, -1.5% y/y.
				German Apr import price index, Feb +0.8% m/m, -2.5% y/y.
				German Apr wholesale sales, SA -0.7% m/m, NSA -7.4% y/y.
Sun	JPN	1950 ET	2350	Japan Apr large retailer sales, Mar -1.5%.
Mon	US			Memorial Day US Markets closed.
	GER	0400 ET	0800	German May IFO ind. survey (business climate), Apr 90.5.
				German May IFO current assessment, Apr 76.9., IFO expectations, Apr 104.6.

Tue	US	0830 ET	1230	Apr personal income expected +0.3%, Mar +0.4%. Apr spending expected +0.7%, Mar +0.4%.
		0900 ET	1300	Redbook weekly retailer sales.
		1000 ET	1400	May consumer confidence expected 110.0, Apr 108.8. Apr existing home sales expected -0.9% at 5,350,000, from Mar 5,400,000.
	UK	0430 ET	0830	UK BBA mortgage lending figures.
	JPN	1950 ET	2350	Japan Apr industrial production, Mar +0.8% m/m.
Wed	US	1300 ET	1700	Treasury sells \$27 billion in 2-year T-notes for \$4.9 bln new cash.
	FRA	0245 ET	0645	France May business confidence indicator, Apr 97.0. France Mar production outlook indicator, Apr -16.0.
Thu	US	0000 ET	0400	Chicago Fed releases national activity index for Apr.
		0830 ET	1230	Initial unemployment claims for week ending May 25th.
		n/n		Earnings expected today: Costco Wholesale, Dollar General, Neiman Marcus.
	UK	0430 ET	0830	UK Mar index of distribution. UK Apr M4 money supply, m/m and y/y. UK Apr Sterling lending. UK Apr net consumer credit.
	JPN	1930 ET	2330	Japan Apr unemployment rate expected 5.3%, Mar 5.2%. Japan Apr job to applicant ratio expected .51, Mar .51. Japan Apr household spending, Mar -1.2% y/y. Japan May Tokyo consumer prices SA, Apr -0.2%, less food -0.4%. Japan May Tokyo consumer prices , Apr -1.3% y/y, less food -1.1% y/y. Japan Apr national consumer prices SA, Mar unch, less food unch. Japan Apr national consumer prices, Mar -1.2% y/y, less food, -0.7% y/y.
Fri	US	0830 ET	1230	Q1 final unit labor costs expected -5.5%, previous -5.4%. Q1 final nonfarm productivity expected 8.7%, previous +8.6%. Late-May University of Michigan consumer confidence expected 96.0, early-May +3.0 to 96.0.
		1000 ET	1400	May Chicago purchasing managers expected 55.0, Apr 54.7. Apr factory orders expected +0.3%, Mar +0.4%.
	JPN	0030 Et	0430	Japan Apr crude oil imports, Mar -6.4% y/y.
		0100 ET	0500	Japan Apr construction orders, Mar -12.9% y/y. Japan Apr housing starts, Mar -6.2% y/y.
	FRA	0245 ET	0645	France Apr unemployment rate Mar 9.1%, unemployment rate change, Mar 13,000.
		0250 ET	0650	France Apr PPI, Mar +0.7% m/m, -0.7% y/y.
Week of June 3-7				
Sometime this week:				
Sun	JPN	1950 ET	2350	Japan Apr average lending rate.
	US	Jun 3-4		May domestic vehicle sales, Apr 14,000,000.
Mon	US	1000 ET	1400	Apr construction spending, Mar -0.9% May ISM manufacturing index, Apr 53.9. Mar ISM prices paid, Apr 60.3.
	UK	0430 ET	0830	UK CIPS purchasing managers index.
Tue	UK	0430 ET	0830	UK CIPS construction index.
	JPN	0100 ET	0500	Japan Apr leading economic index. Japan Apr coincident index.
	FRA	0245 ET	0645	French May consumer confidence indicator, Apr -18.0.
Wed	US	1000 ET	1400	May ISM non-manufacturing, Apr 55.3.
	UK	0430 ET	0830	UK May M0 money supply, Apr +0.9 m/m, +8.0% y/y. UK May official reserve (changes). UK CIPS services index.
		0600 ET	1000	UK CBI quarterly distributive trades report.
		n/a		UK Bank of England monetary policy committee meets. UK BRC shop price index.
Thu	US	0830 ET	1230	Initial unemployment claims for week ending Jun 1.
		1525 ET	1925	San Francisco Fed pres. Parry speaks at financial analysts meeting in Oregon.
	EUR	0745 ET	1145	ECB announces interest rates, current 3.25%.
	GER	0600 ET	1000	German Apr factory orders, Mar unch m/m, -3.4% y/y.
	UK	0700 ET	1100	UK Bank of England announces rates, current 4.0%
	JPN	0030 ET	0430	Japan May consumer confidence.
		1950 ET	2350	Japan Q1 GDP preliminary, previous -1.2%.

Fri	US	0830 ET	1230	May unemployment rate, Apr 6.0%. May average hourly earnings, Apr +0.1%. May change in non-farm payrolls, Apr 43,000. May change in manufacturing payrolls, Apr -19,000. May average weekly hours, Apr 34.1.
		1000 ET	1400	Apr wholesale inventories, Mar unchanged.
		1500 ET	1900	Apr consumer credit, Mar \$4.6 bln.
	GER	0355 ET	0755	German May unemployment change SA, Apr 6,000. German May unemployment EU-Def, Apr 8.1%, unemployment rate SA 9.6%.
	JPN	0100 ET	0500	Japan Apr household spending, Mar -1.0% y/y.
	FRA	0245 ET	0645	French Apr central government balance (Euros)
Week of June 10-14				
Sometime this week:				
	GER	n/a		German Apr retail sales SA, Mar +1.2% m/m, -4.5% y/y. German Mar CPI final, previous +0.1% m/m, +1.6% y/y.
	JPN	n/a		Japan Apr current account total, Mar 2202.5 bln Yen, adjusted 1547.5 bln Yen.
Sun	JPN	1950 ET	2350	Japan May bank lending, May -4.8% y/y Japan May domestic wholesales price index, Apr unch. Japan May Money Supply M2+Cd, +3.6% y/y.
Mon	UK	0430 ET	0830	UK May PPI input SA, Apr +0.9% m/m, -3.7% y/y UK May PPI output NSA, Apr +0.5% m/m, +0.2% y/y.
		1430 ET	1830	UK BRC retail sales monitor.
	JPN	0100 ET	0500	Japan Apr machine orders, Mar -6.2% m/m.
Tue	GER	0200 ET	0600	German Apr currant account, Mar 7.5 bln (Euro). German Apr trade balance, Mar 12.4 bln.
		0600 ET	1000	German Apr industrial output, m/m and y/y.
		0900 ET	1300	German Jun ZEW survey (economic sentiment).
	UK	0430 ET	0830	UK Apr visible trade balance, Mar -3004. UK Apr trade balance non EU, Mar -2169. UK Apr industrial production, +0.4% m/m, -5.9% y/y. UK Apr Manufacturing production, Mar -0.8% m/m, -6.8%
Wed	US	0830 ET	1230	May Imports all commodity price, Apr +1.2%.
		1400 ET	1800	Federal Reserve's beige book.
	UK	1901 ET	2301	UK Apr total housing starts NSA, Mar 18,900.
	FRA	0245 ET	0645	French May CPI, m/m and y/y. French May CPI EU harmonized, m/m and y/y.
Thu	US	0830 ET	1230	Initial unemployment claims for week ending Jun 8. May PPI, Apr -0.2%, less food and energy +0.1%. May retail sales, Apr +1.2%, less autos +1.0%.
	UK	0430 ET	0830	UK New construction orders.
	JPN	0030 ET	0430	Japan Apr industrial production final m/m. Japan Apr capacity utilization final.
	FRA	0250 ET	0650	French Apr industrial production, m/m and y/y. French Apr manufacturing production, m/m and y/y.

#### Future News:

June 9 & 16: French Parliamentary elections.

Upcoming Central Bank meetings:

FOMC: June 25-26, Aug 13, Sep 24, Nov 6, Dec 10.

#### Last G7 monetary policy changes:

US Funds rate last cut by 25 bp to 1.75% on 12/11/01, discount rate -25 bp to 1.25%. Funds rate cut by 175 bp after Sep 11th, and by an overall 475 bp in 2001 easing cycle.

CAN Overnight rate target +25 bp to 2.25% on 4/16/02, up from 40-year low of 2.00%. Prior to 4/02 rate hike, BOC had cut by total of 3.75 bp since Jan 2000.

UK Base rate cut by a total of 200 bp in 2001 cycle to current 4.0%. Last change -50 bp to 4.00% on 11/02/01.

ECB Refinancing rate currently at 3.25%, last cut by 50 bp on 11/8/01. Overall ECB rate cut was 150 bp in 2001.

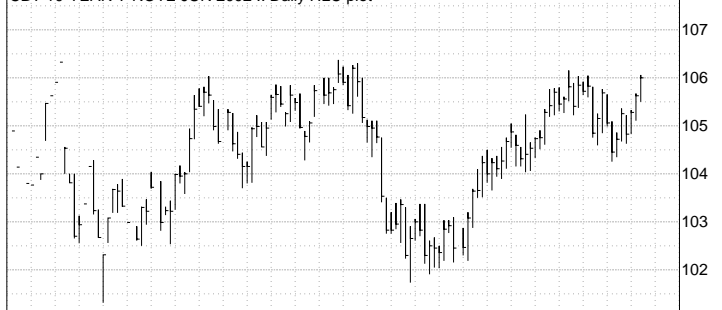
JPN Discount rate at .10%, unsecured overnight call loan rate near zero. BOJ boosted monthly JGB purchases by 25% to 1 trillion yen at Feb 28 meeting.

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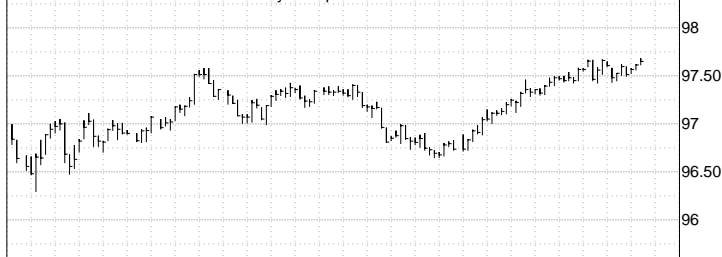
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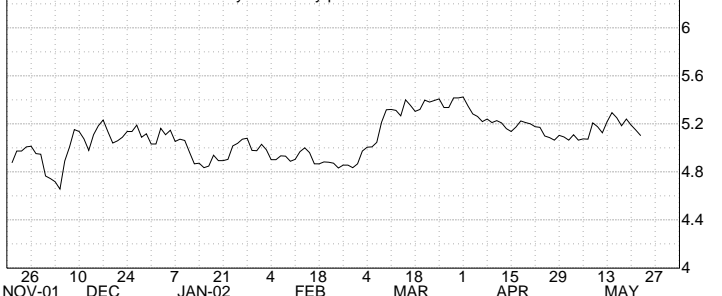
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US 10YR T-NOTE YIELD .. Daily Close only plot



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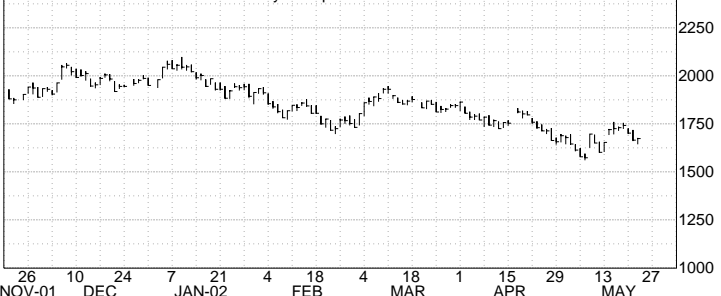
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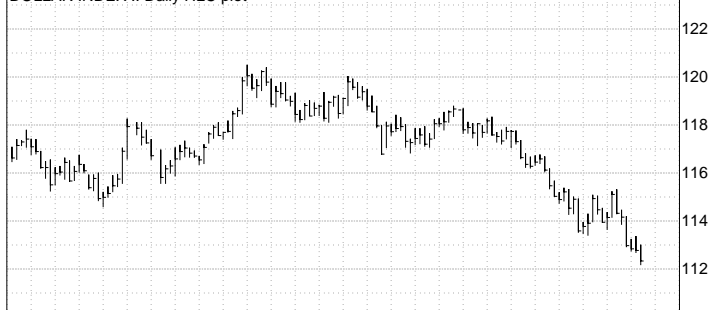
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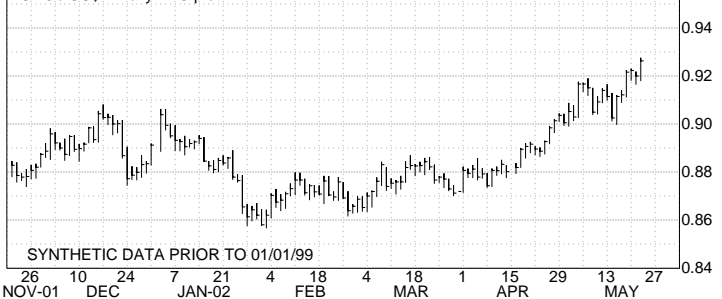
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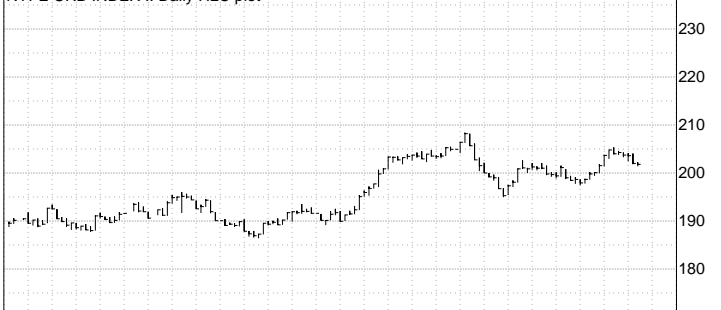


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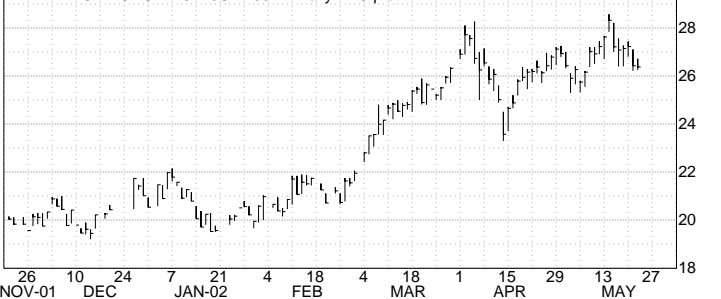
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COMEX GOLD JUN 2002 .. Daily HLC plot



NYMEX LIGHT CRUDE OIL JUL 2002 .. Daily HLC plot



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**OPTIMA TECHNICAL PICTURE -- JAPANESE YEN ^ Thu 5/23/02**

The June Japanese Yen posted a 5-1/2 month high of 8109 and an overall low 8005 during Tuesday night's Globex session. JYM opened lower yesterday morning and traded sideways for most of the day to finally settle -20 bp at 8062 where it completed a bearish hook reversal. JYM posted an IMM high at 8072 and an IMM low at 8047. The 9-day RSI fell to 72.6 from the previous session's 76.2 where it is high. The short-term trend is bullish with yesterday's 5-1/2 month high. The intermediate-term trend is neutral as the contract has been in a basing pattern since late January. The long-term trend remains bearish as JYM continues to post new lows, and the cash Yen posted a new 3-1/2 year high at 135.14 on Jan 31. Primary resistance levels for JYM are: 8109 and 8219. Primary support levels for JYM are: 8005, 7814, 7777, 7761, 7576, and 7501. Theoretical basis for today: -10 IMM bp.

**SUPPORT/RESISTANCE LEVELS -- CASH DOLLAR-YEN**

147.62	11-3/4 year high (8/11/98)	128.77	3-week high settle (May 8)	114.36	1-1/4 year low (2/6/01)
135.14	3-1/2 year high (Jan 31)	125.06	Yesterday's high	113.55	1-1/3 year low (1/4/01)
135.02	3-1/2 year high settle (Jan 31)	<b>*124.21</b>	<b>Previous settle (Wed 2pm)</b>	106.87	1-1/2 year low (11/3/00)
135.01	3-3/4 month high (Feb 11)	124.10	5-1/2 month lo settle (Tue 2pm)	104.77	1-3/4 year low (9/14/00)
134.98	3-1/4 month high (Feb 27)	123.53	5-1/2 month low (Yesterday)	103.93	2-year low (6/23/00)
133.84	2-3/4 month high (Apr 1)	122.83	6-month low (Nov 30)	102.07	2-1/4 year low (3/31/00)
132.39	1-1/2 month high (Apr 15)	119.75	6-3/4 month low (Nov 12)	101.33	6-1/2 year low (12/23/99)
129.07	3-week high (May 9)	115.83	14-3/4 month low (9/20/01)	96.04	6-3/4 year low (8/24/95)
				79.78	All-time low (4/19/95)

**RETRACEMENTS -- CASH DOLLAR-YEN**

3-1/2 year 46.29 point downmove from 147.62 (8/11/98) to 101.33 (12/23/99)

73% retrace (Jan 31 high) 135.14

HIGH	3/4	2/3	.618	1/2	.382	1/3	1/4	LOW
147.62	136.05	132.19	129.94	124.47	119.01	116.76	112.90	101.33

**SUPPORT/RESISTANCE LEVELS--YEN FUTURES (JYM02)**

8776	Contract high & high settle (9/20/01)	8047	Yesterday's IMM low	7731	50-day moving average
8430	7-1/2 month high (Nov 8)	8005	Yesterday's overall low (Globex)	7663	100-day moving average
8426	7-1/2 month high settle (Nov 8)	8001	200-day moving average	7576	1-1/4 month low (Apr 15)
8219	6-month high & high settle (Nov 28)	7814	Last Friday's low	7525	2-1/2 month lo sttl (Apr 1 & Apr 2)
8109	5-1/2 month high (Yesterday-Glxb)	7804	30-day average	7501	2-1/2 month low (Apr 1)
8082	5-1/2 month high settle (Tuesday)	7782	3-week low settle (May 8)	7469	Contract low settle (Feb 26)
8072	Yesterday's IMM high	7777	1-week low (Last Tue)	7449	Contract low (Feb 27)
<b>*8062</b>	<b>Previous settle (Wednesday)</b>	7761	3-week low (May 9)	7371	3-yr low weekly nrst (9/21/98 Z98)
8058	Pivot Point				

**RETRACEMENTS--YEN FUTURES (JYM02)**

8-month 1327 bp downmove from 8776 (9/20/01) to 7449 (2/27/02)

50% retrace (Yesterday's high) 8109

HIGH	3/4	2/3	.618	1/2	.382	1/3	1/4	LOW
8776	8444	8334	8269	8113	7956	7891	7784	7449

**OPTIMA TECHNICAL PICTURE -- EURO/DOLLAR FX ^ Thu 5/23/02**

The June European Currency posted an 8-month high at 9268 and an overall low at 9172 during Tuesday night's Globex session. ECM opened higher yesterday morning, traded sideways early to post the session low, traded higher, and then drifted lower to settle +62 bp at 9252. The contract posted an IMM high at 9267 and an IMM low at 9231. The 9-day RSI rose to 69.8 from the previous session's 64.5 where it is now moderately high. The short-term and intermediate term trends are bullish as ECM posted an 8-month high and contract high settlement yesterday. The long-term trend is bearish as the cash Euro has been trending lower ever since it was introduced. Primary resistance levels for ECM are: 9268, 9275 and 9310. Primary support levels for ECM are: 9172 9151, 9101, 8987, 8973, 8897, 8842, 8751 & 8710. Theoretical basis for today: +9 IMM bp.

**SUPPORT/RESISTANCE LEVELS -- CASH EURO/DOLLAR FX**

1.2407 5-1/4 year high (10/8/98)	.9331 14-1/2 month high (9/17/01)	.8735 1-1/2 month low (Apr 8)
1.1956 3-1/2 year high (12/14/98)	.9276 8-month high (Yesterday)	.8712 2-1/2 month low settle (Mar 28)
1.0909 3-year high (10/15/99)	<b>*.9263 8-month high settle (Wed 2pm)</b>	.8700 2-1/2 month low (Mar 28)
1.0414 2-1/2 year high (1/6/00)	.9178 Yesterday's low	.8615 3-3/4 month low (Feb 26)
1.0086 2-1/4 year high (2/23/00)	.8996 3-week low (Last Wednesday)	.8565 10-1/4 month low (Feb 1)
.9699 2-year high (6/8/00)	.8989 3-week low (May 1)	.8352 1-1/2 year low (July 6)
.9594 1-3/4 year high (1/5/01)	.8863 1-month low (Apr 23)	.8284 All-time low settle (10/25/00)
.9481 15-1/2 month high (2/2/01)	.8775 1-1/4 month low (Apr 12)	.8230 All-time low (10/26/00)

**RETRACEMENTS -- CASH EURO/DOLLAR FX**

3-1/2 year .4177 point downmove from 1.2407 (10/8/98) to .8230 (10/26/00)  
 33% retrace (1/5/01 high) .9594

HIGH	3/4	2/3	.618	1/2	.382	1/3	1/4	LOW
1.2407	1.1363	1.1015	1.0811	1.0318	.9826	.9622	.9274	.8230

**SUPPORT/RESISTANCE EURO/DOLLAR FX FUTURES (ECM02)**

9310 14-month hi wkly nrst (9/17/01 Z01)	9010 3-week low stl (Last Tue & May 2)	8716 1-1/2 month low settle (Apr 8)
9275 Contract high (9/19/01)	8987 2-1/2 week low (Last Wednesday)	8710 1-1/2 month low (Apr 8)
9268 8-month high (Wednesday-Glbx)	9010 30-day moving average	8682 2-1/2 month low settle (Mar 28)
9267 Yesterday's IMM high	8973 3-week low (Apr 30)	8673 2-1/4 month low (Mar 28)
<b>*9252 Contract high settle (Wednesday)</b>	8911 50-day moving average	8672 2-1/2 month low (Mar 12)
9231 Yesterday IMM low and Pivot Point	8897 May 25 low	8600 3-1/2 month low settle (Feb 26)
9172 Yesterday's overall low (Globex)	8883 200-day moving average	8582 3-3/4 month low (Feb 26)
9151 Tuesday's low	8842 1-month low (Apr 23)	8537 10-1/4 month low settle (Jan 31)
9101 Last Friday's low	8817 100-day moving average	8528 10-1/4 month low (Jan 28)
	8751 1-1/4 month low (Apr 12)	8349 Contract low & low settle (July 5)

**RETRACEMENTS -- EURO/DOLLAR FX FUTURES (ECM02)**

3-1/2 month 740 bp upmove from 8528 (1/28/02) to 9268 (Yesterday)

HIGH	1/4	1/3	.382	1/2	.618	2/3	3/4	LOW
9268	9083	9021	8955	8898	8811	8775	8713	8528

The June Swiss Franc posted an overall contract high at 6390 and an overall low at 6333 during yesterday's Globex session. SFM opened higher yesterday and traded sideways for most of the day to finally settle +32 bp at a contract high settlement at 6377. SFM posted an IMM high at 6389 and an IMM low at 6362. The 9-day RSI rose to 70.9 from the previous session's 67.3 where it is high. The short and intermediate-term trends are bullish with yesterday contract high and contract high settlement. The long-term trend is neutral with SFM in the middle of a wide 10-month range. Primary resistance levels for SFM are: 6390 and 6536. Primary support levels for SFM are: 6333, 6254, 6183, 6039, 5965, 5934, and 5918. Theoretical basis for today: -2 IMM bp.

**SUPPORT/RESISTANCE LEVELS -- CASH DOLLAR-SWISS FRANC**

1.8298	23-month high (10/26/00)	1.6715	1-1/2 month high (Apr 16)	1.5661	1-1/3 year low (Yesterday)
1.8223	19-month high (7/6/01)	1.6673	1-1/2 month high settle (Apr 15)	1.5427	2-1/2 year low (1/5/00)
1.7392	10-1/4 month high (7/23/01)	1.6194	3-week high (Last Wed)	1.4540	3-year low (10/15/99)
1.7225	9-3/4 month high (Feb 1)	1.6149	3-week high settle (Last Tue)	1.3404	3-1/2 year low (1/13/99)
1.7132	3-1/2 month high (Mar 12)	1.5808	Yesterday's high	1.2747	5-1/2 year low (10/8/98)
1.6861	2-1/2 month high (Mar 28)	<b>*1.5686</b>	<b>1-1/3 year low settle (Wed 2pm)</b>	1.1850	6-year low (7/31/96)
1.6785	1-3/4 month high (Apr 9)				

**RETRACEMENTS -- CASH DOLLAR-SWISS FRANC**

10-month .2562 downmove from 1.8223 (7/6/01) to 1.5661 (Yesterday)

HIGH	3/4	2/3	.618	1/2	.382	1/3	1/4	LOW
1.8223	1.7582	1.7369	1.7244	1.6942	1.6640	1.6515	1.6301	1.5661

**SUPPORT/RESISTANCE LEVELS -- SWISS FRANC FUTURES (SFM02)**

6536	2-1/2 yr high wkly nrst (1/3/00 H00)	6196	3-week low settle (Last Tue)	5965	1-1/2 month low (Apr 16)
6390	Contract high (Yesterday-Globex)	6189	30-day moving average	5943	2-1/2 month low settle (Mar 28)
6389	Yesterday's IMM high	6183	2-1/2 week low (Last Wednesday)	5934	2-1/4 month low (Mar 27)
<b>*6377</b>	<b>Contract high settle (Wednesday)</b>	6118	50-day moving average	5918	2-3/4 month low (Mar 8)
6366	Pivot Point	6051	200-day moving average	5857	3-3/4 month low settle (Feb 26)
6362	Yesterday's IMM low	6039	1-month low (Apr 23)	5842	3-3/4 month low (Feb 26)
6333	Yesterday's overall low (Globex)	6031	100-day moving average	5813	10-month low & low sttl (Jan 31)
6254	Last Friday's low	5972	1-3/4 month low settle (Apr 15)	5488	5-yr lo wkly nearest (10/23/00 Z00)

**RETRACEMENTS -- SWISS FRANC FUTURES (SFM02)**

3-1/2 month 577 bp upmove from 5813 (1/31/02) to 6390 (Yesterday)

HIGH	1/4	1/3	.382	1/2	.618	2/3	3/4	LOW
6390	6246	6198	6170	6101	6033	6005	5957	5813

**OPTIMA TECHNICAL PICTURE -- BRITISH POUND ^ Thu 5/23/02**

BPM posted a 1-week high at 1.4610 and an overall low at 1.4546 during Tuesday night's Globex session. The June British Pound opened higher yesterday morning, sold off and then consolidated for the rest of the session to finally settle -8 bp at 1.4566 to complete a bearish hook reversal. The contract posted an IMM high at 1.4590 and an IMM low at 1.4550. The 9-day RSI fell to 54.2 from the previous session's 55.7 where it remains neutral. The short-term trend is neutral as the contract posted a 3-week low and low settlement last Tuesday. The intermediate-term trend is bullish as the contract posted a new contract high on May 3rd and a new contract high settlement on May 6th. The long-term trend is bullish with BPM breaking out above a wide 8-month range. Primary resistance levels for BPM are: 1.4610, 1.4664, 1.4760 and 1.5700. Primary support levels for BPM are: 1.4546, 1.4510, 1.4426, 1.4410, 1.4282, 1.4226, 1.4148, and 1.4122. Theoretical basis for today: +20 IMM bp.

**SUPPORT/RESISTANCE LEVELS -- CASH BRITISH POUND**

2.6437 All-time high (3/9/72)	1.5101 1-3/4 year high (1/8/01)	1.4468 3-week low (Last Tue)
1.7325 9-1/2 year high (10/8/98)	1.4834 1-1/4 year high (2/2/01 & 10/8/01)	1.4456 1-1/4 month low (Apr 24 & Apr 19)
1.6943 3-1/2 year high (12/14/98)	1.4700 7-1/4 month high (My 3)	1.4289 1-3/4 month low (Apr 8)
1.6791 3-1/4 year high (10/22/99)	1.4682 7-1/4 month high settle (May 3)	1.4246 2-1/4 month low settle (Mar 27)
1.6593 2-1/2 year high (1/20/00)	1.4633 1-week high (Yesterday)	1.4214 2-1/4 month low (Mar 27)
1.6193 2-1/4 year high (2/22/00)	1.4599 1-week high settle (Tue 2pm & Last Wed)	1.4089 3-1/2 month low (Mar 19)
1.6077 26-1/2 month high (4/4/00)		1.4044 9-3/4 mo lo (Jan 28, Feb 1, Nov 23)
1.5313 2-year high (6/6/00)	<b>*1.4582 Previous Settle (Wednesday)</b>	1.3932 10-3/4 month low (7/17/01)
1.5217 23-3/4 mo hi (7/26/00 & 7/25/00)	1.4571 Yesterday's low	1.3682 15-1/3 year low (6/12/01)
	1.4536 1-week low (Tuesday)	1.0345 All-time low (2/26/85)
	1.4493 3-week low settle (Last Tue)	

**CASH RETRACEMENT BRITISH POUND**

2-1/2 year .3109 point downmove from 1.6791 (10/22/99) to 1.3682 (6/12/01)

37% retrace (10/8/01) 1.4834

HIGH	3/4	2/3	.618	1/2	.382	1/3	1/4	LOW
1.6791	1.6014	1.5755	1.5603	1.5236	1.4870	1.4718	1.4459	1.3682

**SUPPORT/RESISTANCE LEVELS -- BRITISH POUND FUTURES (BPM02)**

1.5700 2-year high (9/11/01) (U01)	1.4506 30-day moving average	1.4148 2-month low (Mar 27)
1.4760 8-month high weekly nearest (Z01)	1.4462 3-week low settle (Last Tuesday)	1.4122 2-1/4 month low (Mar 20)
1.4664 Contract high (May 3)	1.4426 3-week low (Last Tuesday)	1.4080 3-1/4 mo low stl (Mar 19 & Feb 26)
1.4646 Contract high settle (May 6)	1.4410 1-month low (Apr 24)	1.4010 3-1/2 mo low (Mar 19 & Feb 28)
1.4610 1-week high (Yesterday-Globex)	1.4392 50-day moving average	1.3970 3-3/4 month low (Feb 7)
1.4590 Yesterday's IMM high	1.4282 1-1/4 month low (April 11)	1.3954 5-3/4 mo low and low sttl (Jan 28)
1.4574 1-week high settle (Tuesday) & Pivot Point	1.4278 100-day moving average	1.3944 10-1/2 month low settle (11/23/01)
<b>*1.4566 Previous Settle (Wednesday)</b>	1.4276 200-day moving average	1.3910 10-1/2 month low (11/27/01)
1.4550 Yesterday's IMM low	1.4248 1-3/4 month low settle (Apr 8)	1.3782 11-1/2 mo lo and lo sttl (7/17/01)
1.4546 Yesterday's overall low (Globex)	1.4226 1-3/4 month low (Apr 8)	1.3546 Contract low & low settle (Jun 12)
1.4510 1-week low (Tuesday)	1.4182 2-1/4 month low settle (Mar 27)	1.1528 All time low settle (Z84 10/1/84)

**RETRACEMENTS -- BRITISH POUND FUTURES (BPM02)**

5-3/4 month 754 bp upmove from 1.3910 (11/27/01) to 1.4664 (5/3/02)

32% retrace (Last Tuesday's low) 1.4426

HIGH	1/4	1/3	.382	1/2	.618	2/3	3/4	LOW
1.4664	1.4476	1.4412	1.4376	1.4288	1.4198	1.4162	1.4098	1.3910

**OPTIMA TECHNICAL PICTURE - CANADIAN DOLLAR ^ Thu 5/23/02**

The June Canadian Dollar opened steady yesterday and zigzagged higher for most of the day to finally settle +22 bp at a 9-1/4 month high settlement at 6518. CDM posted a 9-1/4 month high at 6521 and a low at 6486. The 9-day RSI rose to 85.1 from the previous session's 82.4 where it is overbought. Both the short-term and intermediate-term trends are bullish as the contract has posted a 9-1/4 month high and high settlement yesterday. The long-term trend is bearish as the Canadian dollar has been in a bear channel since Jan on 2000 on the weekly nearest chart. Primary resistance levels for CDM are: 6521, 6533, 6593, and 6700. Primary support levels for CDM are: 6486, 6396, 6355, 6277, 6248, and 6235. Theoretical basis for today: +3 IMM bp.

**SUPPORT/RESISTANCE LEVELS CASH -- US DOLLAR-CANADIAN DOLLAR**

1.6193 All-time high (Jan 21)	<b>*1.5332 9-1/4 month low sttl (Wed 2pm)</b>	1.4629 2-year low (6/19/00)
1.6121 3-3/4 month high (Feb 26)	1.5328 9-1/4 month low (Yesterday)	1.4320 4-year low (1/27/00)
1.6119 All-time high settle (Jan 21)	1.5249 10-1/4 month low (Aug 7)	1.4048 4-1/2 year low (3/13/98)
1.6023 2-3/4 month high (Apr 1)	1.5069 15-3/4 month low (July 3)	1.3665 4-3/4 year low (7/15/97)
1.5988 1-1/2 month high (Apr 9)	1.4901 1-1/2 year low (Jan 3)	1.3617 5-year low (5/21/97)
1.5722 3-week high (May 8)	1.4687 1-3/4 year low (9/1/00)	1.3346 5-1/2 year low (1/22/97)
1.5710 3-week high settle (May 8)	1.4631 23-1/2 month low (7/24/00)	1.3265 8-year low (11/8/96)
1.5405 Yesterday's high		

**RETRACEMENTS -- US DOLLAR-CANADIAN DOLLAR**

2-year 1873 bp upmove from 1.4320 (1/27/00) to 1.6193 (1/21/02)  
 46% retrace (Yesterday's low) 1.5328

HIGH	1/4	1/3	.382	1/2	.618	2/3	3/4	LOW
1.6193	1.5725	1.5569	1.5478	1.5257	1.5035	1.4944	1.4788	1.4320

**SUPPORT/RESISTANCE LEVELS -- CANADIAN DOLLAR FUTURES (CDM02)**

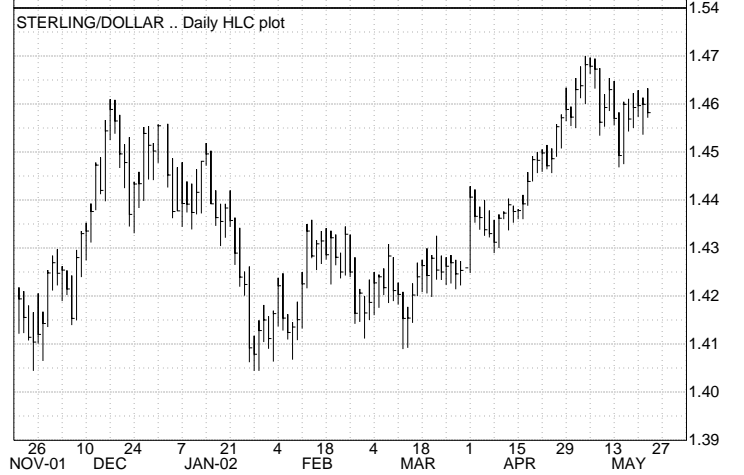
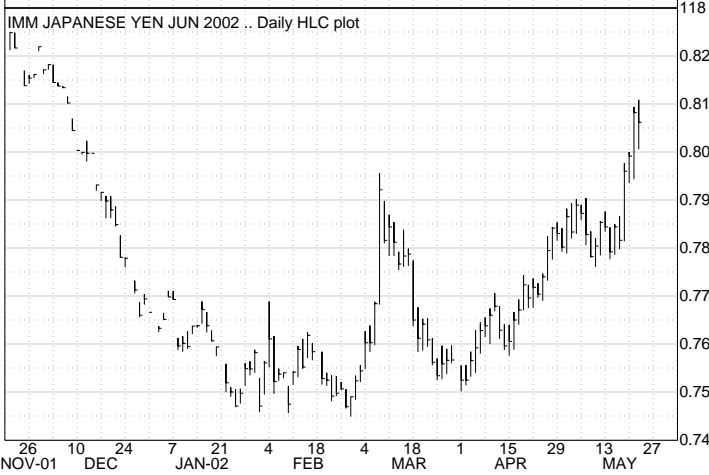
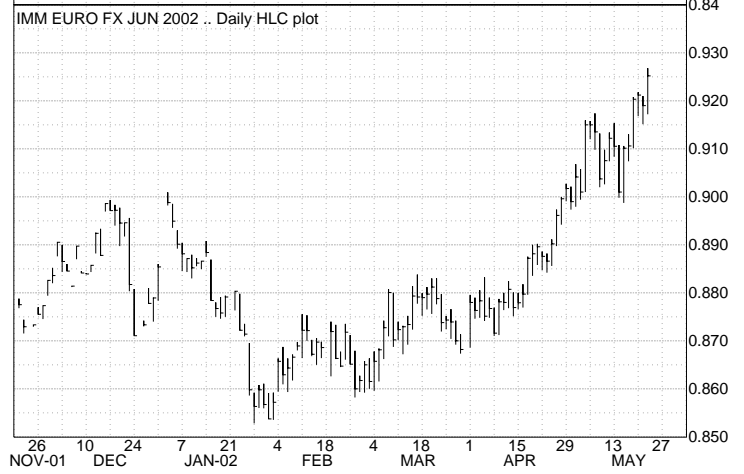
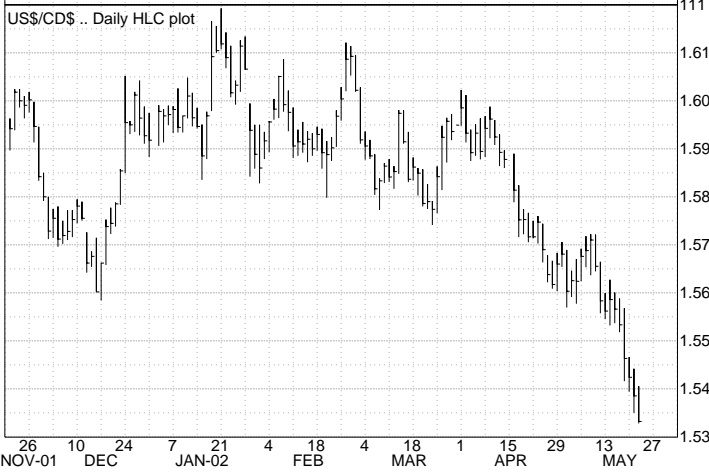
6992 3-1/4 yr high wkly nrst (1/24/00 H00)	6486 Yesterday's low	6255 1-3/4 month low settle (Apr 9)
6922 1-1/2 yr high wkly nrst (4/3/00 M00)	6396 1-week low (Last Tuesday)	6250 2-3/4 month low settle (Apr 1)
6700 Contract high & high settle (1/30/01)	6387 30-day moving average	6248 1-1/2 month low (Apr 9)
6593 15-month high (7/3 & 7/5/01)	6366 3-week low settle (May 8)	6235 2-3/4 month low (Apr 1 & Mar 1)
6533 10-1/4 month high (8/6/01)	6355 3-week low (May 8)	6207 3-3/4 month low settle (Feb 26)
6521 9-1/4 month high (Yesterday)	6347 50-day moving average	6202 Contract low settle (Jan 17 & 25)
<b>*6518 9-1/4 month high settle (Wed)</b>	6334 200-day moving average	6200 3-3/4 month low (Feb 26)
6508 Pivot Point	6305 100-day moving average	6190 4-month low (Jan 28)
6491 Approx. 1.5400 USD/CD	6277 1-1/4 month low (Apr 15)	6180 Contract low (Jan 18)

**RETRACEMENTS-CANADIAN DOLLAR FUTURES (CDM02)**

15-month 520 bp downmove from 6700 (1/30/01) to 6180 (1/18/02)  
 66% retrace (Yesterday's high) 6521

HIGH	3/4	2/3	.618	1/2	.382	1/3	1/4	LOW
6700	6570	6527	6501	6440	6379	6353	6310	6180

CURRENCIES



## OPTIMA TECHNICAL INDICATORS - CURRENCY FUTURES ^

As of: 052202	JYM02	ECM02	SFM02	BPM02	CDM02	MQM02
High:	.8109	.92680	.6390	1.4610	.6521	10.5025
Low:	.8005	.91720	.6333	1.4546	.6486	10.4250
Settle:	.8062s	.92520s	.6377s	1.4566s	.6518s	10.4275s
Change:	-.0020	+.00620	+.0032	-.0008	+.0022	-.0500
Pivot	R2: .8162	.93266	.6423	1.4638	.6543	10.5291
Analysis	R1: .8112	.92893	.6400	1.4602	.6530	10.4783
	Pivot: .8058	.92306	.6366	1.4574	.6508	10.4516
	S1: .8008	.91933	.6343	1.4538	.6495	10.4008
	S2: .7954	.91346	.6309	1.4510	.6473	10.3741
Momentum 1-10 Day:	+.0280	+.02150	+.0153	+.0044	+.0152	-.1250
[Settle 1-20 Day:	+.0322	+.03500	+.0288	+.0130	+.0146	-.2700
- prev. 1-30 Day:	+.0383	+.04720	+.0374	+.0258	+.0244	-.5175
x-day 1-100 Day:	+.0402	+.04740	+.0416	+.0196	+.0257	-.1250
settle]1-200 Day:	-.0184	+.05340	+.0548	+.0504	+.0006	+.3500
Moving Averages	3 Day: .8045	.92180	.6357	1.4570	.6498	10.4616
	4 Day: .8024	.92142	.6352	1.4570	.6489	10.4737
	5 Day: .7982	.91926	.6335	1.4564	.6478	10.4780
	9 Day: .7916	.91445	.6299	1.4554	.6451	10.4766
	10 Day: .7905	.91376	.6295	1.4556	.6445	10.4790
	18 Day: .7875	.91059	.6273	1.4570	.6417	10.4998
	20 Day: .7869	.90931	.6261	1.4566	.6415	10.5143
	30 Day: .7804	.90102	.6189	1.4506	.6387	10.5990
	50 Day: .7731	.89107	.6118	1.4392	.6347	10.7247
	100 Day: .7663	.88169	.6031	1.4278	.6305	10.7056
	200 Day: .8001	.88826	.6051	1.4276	.6334	10.4390
Contract crosses today at price of:	5-D: .8024	.92142	.6352	1.4570	.6489	10.4737
	10-D: .7916	.91445	.6299	1.4554	.6451	10.4766
	20-D: .7873	.91001	.6267	1.4568	.6416	10.5077
	30-D: .7810	.90173	.6195	1.4512	.6391	10.5889
Moving Avg Oscillators	3-9: +.0129	+.00734	+.0058	+.0016	+.0046	-.0150
	5-20: +.0113	+.00994	+.0074	+.0000	+.0063	-.0364
MA Osc zero cross today	3-9: .7479	.89265	.6121	1.4490	.6304	10.5675
	5-20: .7070	.84913	.5814	1.4558	.6025	10.6891
RSI	9-Day RSI: 72.6	69.8	70.9	54.2	85.1	32.3
	Prev 9-Day RSI: 76.2	64.5	67.3	55.7	82.4	38.9
Close today for	80: .8203	.94406	.6494	1.4904	.6510	11.0507
new 9-RSI of:	20: .7054	.83317	.5719	1.4118	.6106	10.2675
Simulated +3 Unit:	80.3	78.5	81.6	78.7	93.2	35.9
9-Day RSI +2 Unit:	78.3	76.2	79.0	74.0	91.7	34.8
for settle+1 Unit:	75.8	73.4	75.6	66.9	89.3	33.5
today of: -1 Unit:	64.2	61.5	59.4	39.2	61.0	31.6
	-2 Unit: 57.6	54.9	51.1	30.7	47.6	31.1
	-3 Unit: 52.2	49.6	44.9	25.3	39.0	30.5
	1 Unit = : .0050	.00500	.0050	.0100	.0050	.0050
Stochastics	9-Day Range Raw K: 85.8	94.3	93.7	70.7	97.8	15.0
	3-Day EMA K: %K: 82.2	86.1	86.8	65.8	90.0	35.2
	3-Day EMA %K: %D: 71.7	77.2	78.1	59.5	83.7	38.4
Price today for %K & %D xover	: .7944	.91534	.6308	1.4516	.6484	10.4776
%K,%D at xover	: 71.7	77.2	78.1	59.5	83.7	38.4

## OPTIMA TECHNICAL INDICATORS - DOLLAR vs. MAJOR CURRENCIES ^

	MEXICO : USD/MXP	JAPAN USD/JPY	EUROZONE EUR/USD	SWISS USD/CHF	UK GBP/USD	CANADA USD/CAD
As of: 052202	: MEY	YDY	E\$Y	UWY	BPY	DCY
High:	9.5435	125.06	.9276	1.5808	1.4633	1.5405
Low:	9.5065	123.53	.9178	1.5661	1.4571	1.5328
Settle:	9.5375s	124.21s	.9263s	1.5686s	1.4582s	1.5332s
Change:	+.0450	+.11	+.0063	-.0082	-.0017	-.0053
Pivot Analysis	R2: 9.5661	125.79	.9337	1.5865	1.4657	1.5432
	R1: 9.5518	125.00	.9300	1.5775	1.4620	1.5382
	Pivot: 9.5291	124.26	.9239	1.5718	1.4595	1.5355
	S1: 9.5148	123.47	.9202	1.5628	1.4558	1.5305
	S2: 9.4921	122.73	.9141	1.5571	1.4533	1.5278
Momentum 1-10 Day:	+.1220	-4.56	+.0214	-.0407	+.0020	-.0378
[Settle 1-20 Day:	+.2550	-5.30	+.0336	-.0746	+.0096	-.0358
- prev. 1-30 Day:	+.5070	-6.61	+.0457	-.0973	+.0209	-.0630
x-day 1-100 Day:	+.3800	-7.35	+.0351	-.0899	+.0130	-.0586
settle]1-200 Day:	+.4475	+1.76	+.0287	-.1212	+.0297	-.0040
Moving Averages	3 Day: 9.5068	124.55	.9228	1.5736	1.4593	1.5380
	4 Day: 9.4961	124.87	.9225	1.5750	1.4593	1.5401
	5 Day: 9.4914	125.53	.9204	1.5793	1.4588	1.5427
	9 Day: 9.4899	126.58	.9157	1.5883	1.4581	1.5492
	10 Day: 9.4868	126.76	.9151	1.5893	1.4583	1.5509
	18 Day: 9.4633	127.26	.9120	1.5954	1.4603	1.5575
	20 Day: 9.4498	127.35	.9108	1.5985	1.4599	1.5580
	30 Day: 9.3653	128.43	.9028	1.6173	1.4546	1.5650
	50 Day: 9.2361	129.81	.8931	1.6367	1.4445	1.5748
	100 Day: 9.1811	131.23	.8848	1.6604	1.4353	1.5855
	200 Day: 9.2200	126.71	.8929	1.6535	1.4418	1.5790
Contract crosses MA today at price of:	5-D: 9.4961	124.87	.9225	1.5750	1.4593	1.5401
	10-D: 9.4899	126.58	.9157	1.5883	1.4581	1.5492
	20-D: 9.4562	127.29	.9114	1.5969	1.4601	1.5577
	30-D: 9.3764	128.35	.9036	1.6156	1.4551	1.5640
Moving Avg Oscillators	3-9: +.0169	-2.03	+.0071	-.0147	+.0011	-.0112
	5-20: +.0416	-1.82	+.0096	-.0192	-.0011	-.0153
MA Osc zero cross today	3-9: 9.4037	133.38	.8944	1.6338	1.4529	1.5850
	5-20: 9.2435	140.22	.8522	1.7139	1.4646	1.6519
RSI	9-Day RSI: 71.2	25.9	69.3	29.3	51.3	15.8
Prev 9-Day RSI:	64.7	24.7	63.8	32.9	54.4	18.6
Close today for80:	9.6323	140.21	.9461	1.7398	1.4961	1.6344
new 9-RSI of: 20:	8.9836	122.45	.8349	1.5370	1.4170	1.5348
Simulated +3 Unit:	71.2	50.8	69.3	42.2	77.2	43.0
9-Day RSI +2 Unit:	71.2	44.6	69.3	38.4	72.3	36.1
for settle+1 Unit:	71.2	36.6	69.3	34.2	64.7	27.3
today of: -1 Unit:	71.2	22.2	69.3	27.3	37.2	13.7
	-2 Unit:	19.4	69.3	25.6	29.1	12.0
	-3 Unit:	17.2	69.3	24.0	24.0	10.7
1 Unit = :	.0000	1.00	.0000	.0050	.0100	.0050
Stochastics	9-Day Range Raw K: 93.1	12.9	95.4	4.7	61.3	1.2
	3-Day EMA K: %K: 71.9	17.9	86.1	12.6	59.1	9.5
	3-Day EMA %K: %D: 64.4	28.3	76.8	22.2	54.0	16.5
Price today for %K & %D xover	: 9.4614	126.11	.9159	1.5880	1.4547	1.5419
%K,%D at xover	: 64.4	28.3	76.8	22.2	54.0	16.5

\*\*TABLE CURRENCY}

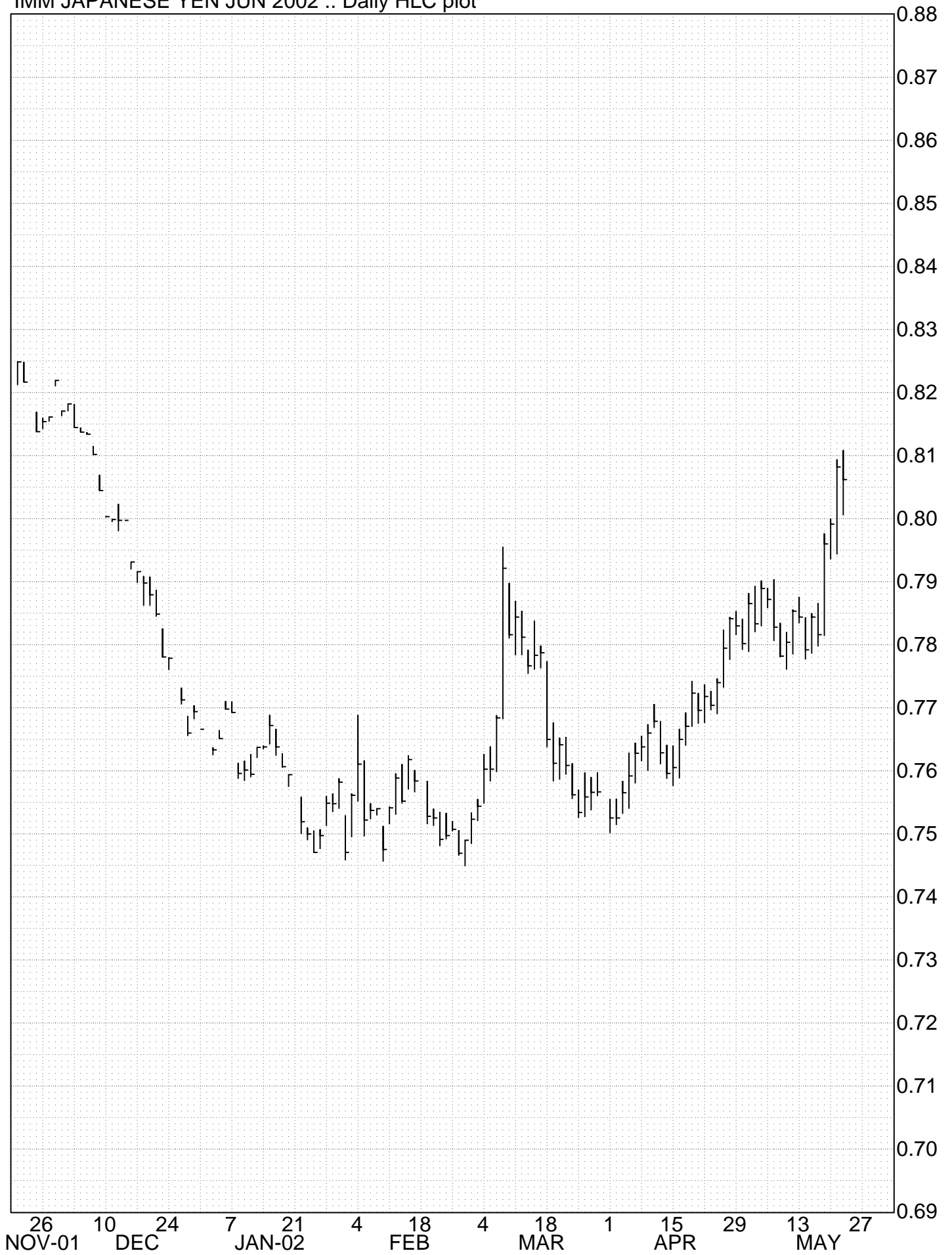
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	Theo Basis	3PM Basis	3PM NY Spot	Futures Settle	Theo-retical Futures	Futures Delta	Hedge Ratio	Euro Rates
JYM	-10	-11	124.21	8062	8061	1.00129	.99871	.0575
ECM	9	11	.9263	92520	92530	.99898	1.00102	3.3830
SFM	-2	-2	1.5686	6377	6378	1.00050	.99950	1.2000
BPM	20	16	1.4582	14566	14562	.99861	1.00139	3.9734
CDM	3	4	1.5332	6518	6519	.99951	1.00049	2.6167
	Days to Expiration = 25					U.S. Euro Rate		1.9167

CURRENCY CASH TO FUTURES EQUIVALENTS

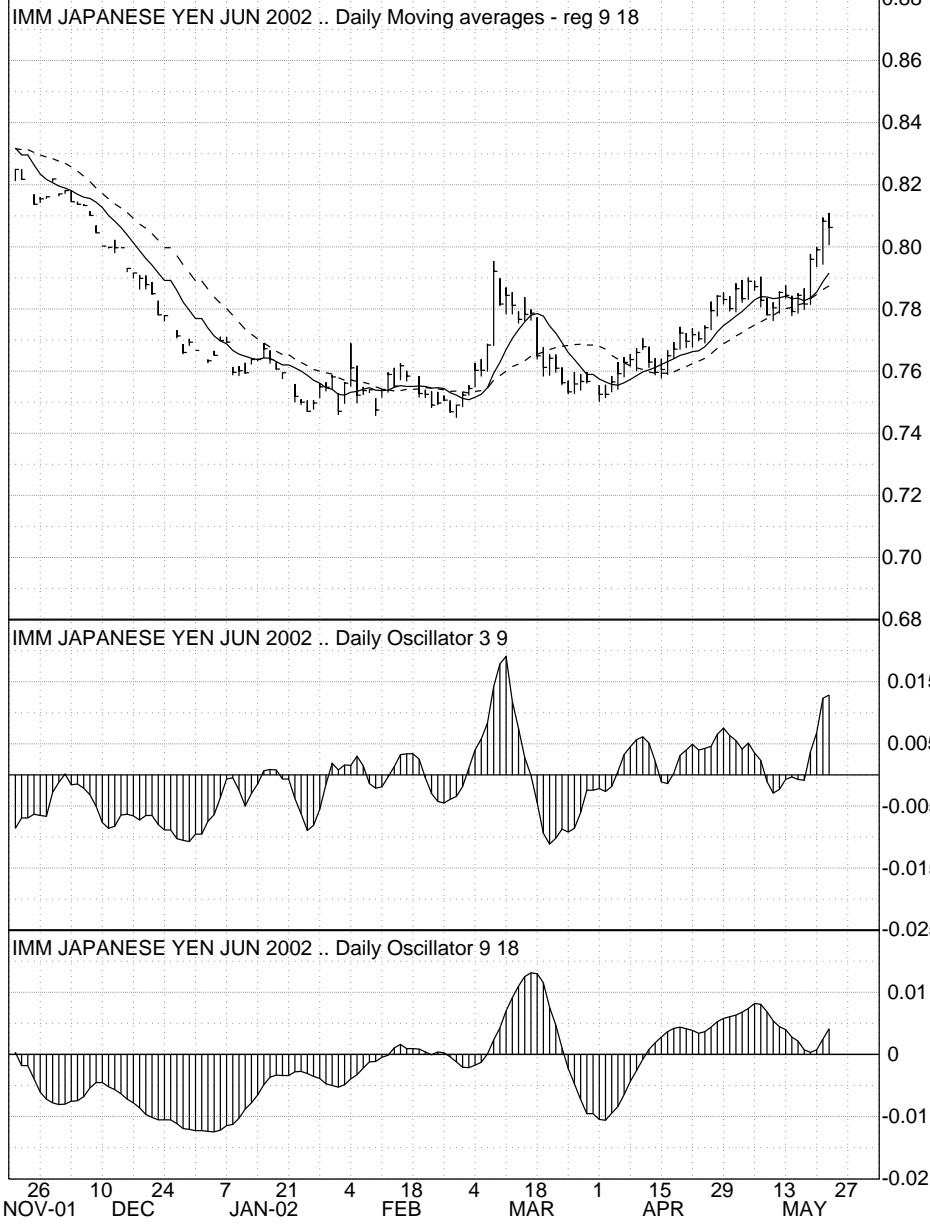
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125.85	7956	.9590	9581	1.6020	6244	1.4910	14890	1.5660	6383
125.80	7959	.9580	9571	1.6010	6248	1.4900	14880	1.5650	6387
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125.55	7975	.9530	9521	1.5960	6268	1.4850	14830	1.5600	6407
125.50	7978	.9520	9511	1.5950	6272	1.4840	14820	1.5590	6411
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123.95	8078	.9210	9201	1.5640	6396	1.4530	14510	1.5280	6542
123.90	8081	.9200	9191	1.5630	6400	1.4520	14500	1.5270	6546
123.85	8084	.9190	9181	1.5620	6404	1.4510	14490	1.5260	6550
123.80	8088	.9180	9171	1.5610	6408	1.4500	14480	1.5250	6554
123.75	8091	.9170	9161	1.5600	6412	1.4490	14470	1.5240	6559
123.70	8094	.9160	9151	1.5590	6416	1.4480	14460	1.5230	6563
123.65	8097	.9150	9141	1.5580	6420	1.4470	14450	1.5220	6567
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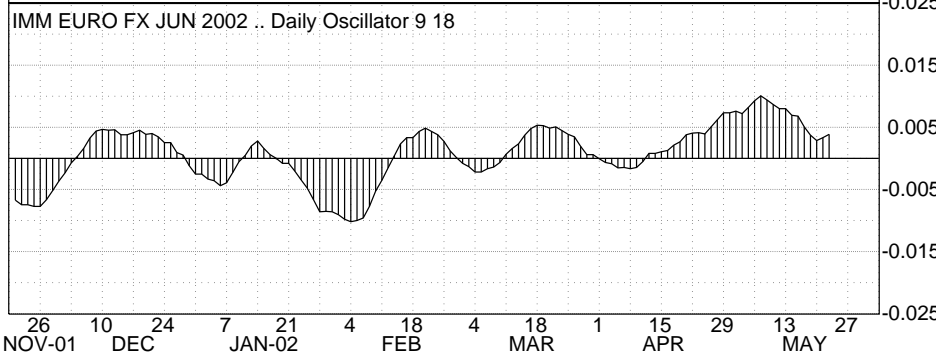
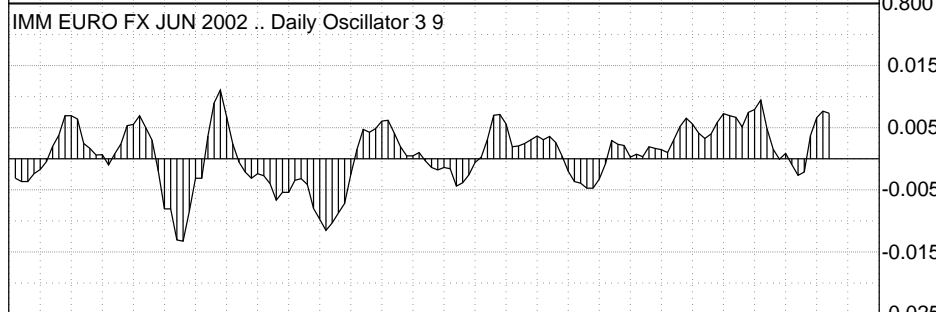
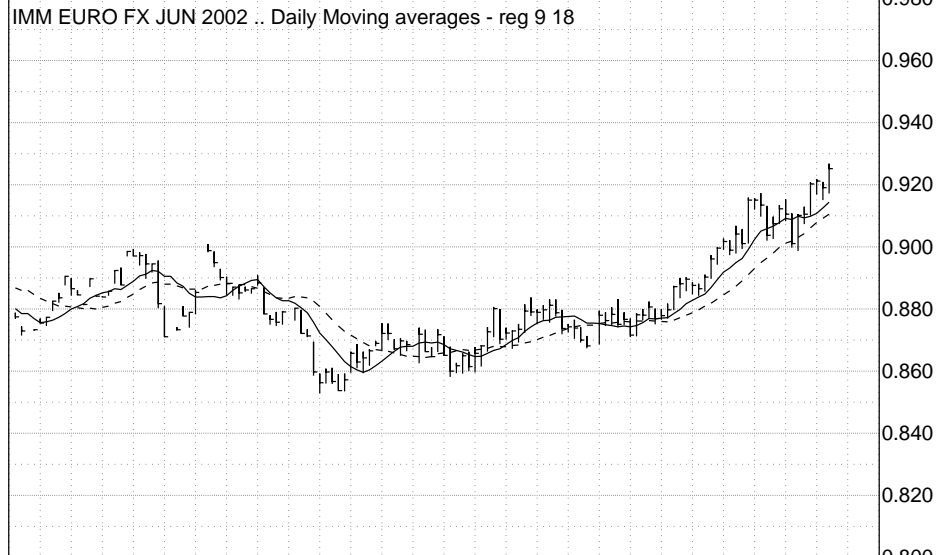


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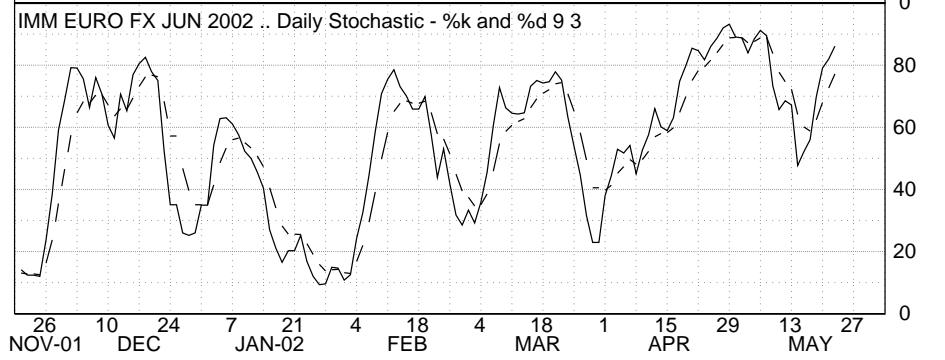
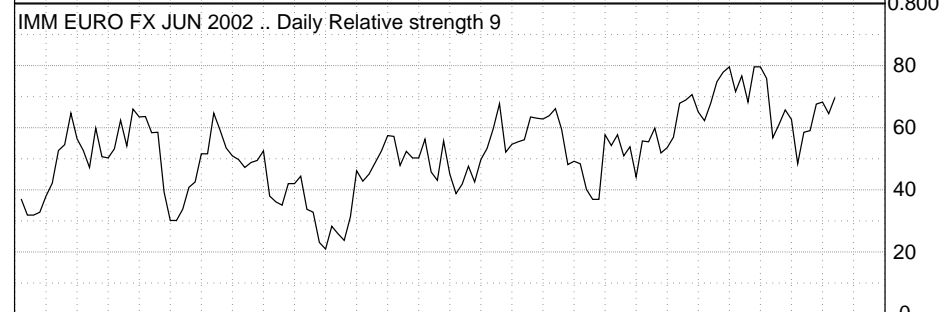
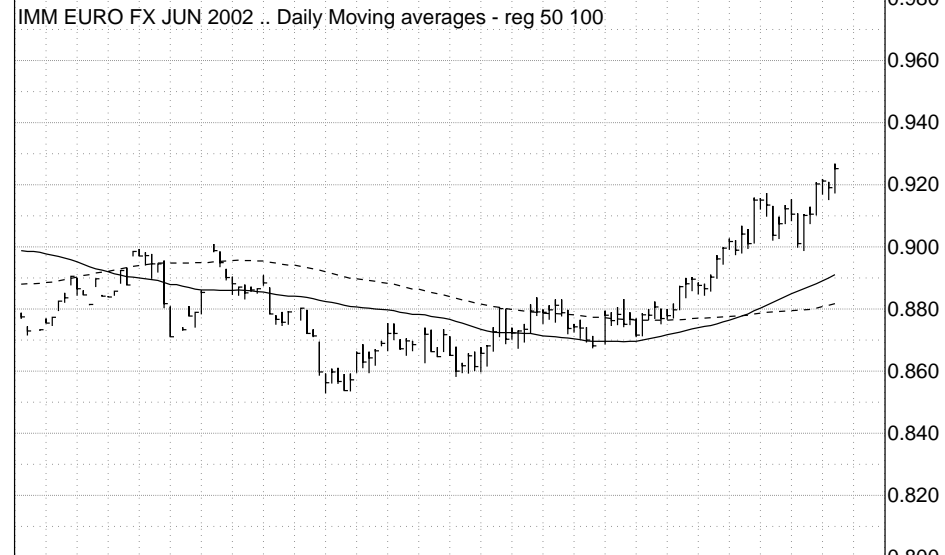


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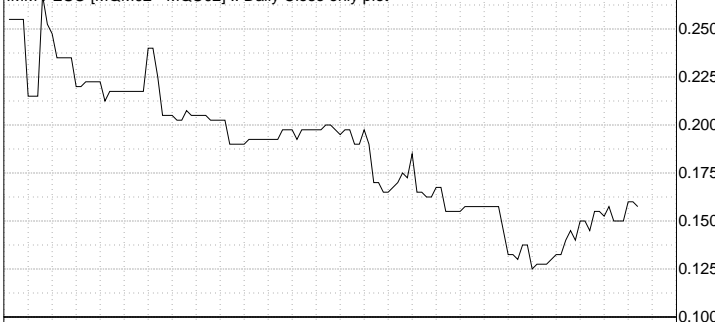
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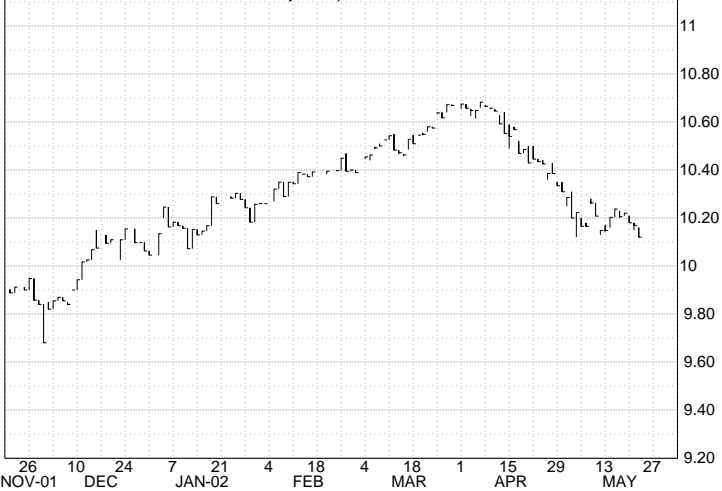


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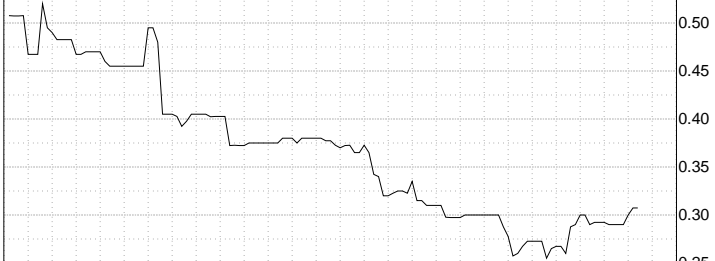
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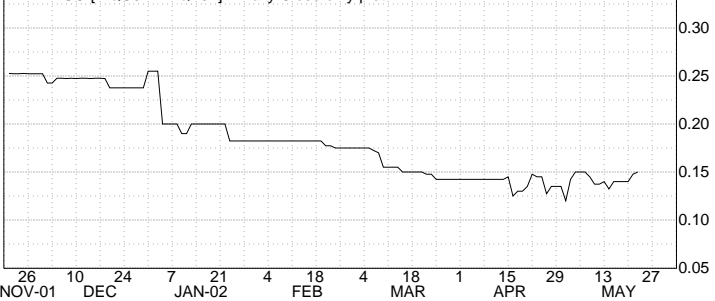
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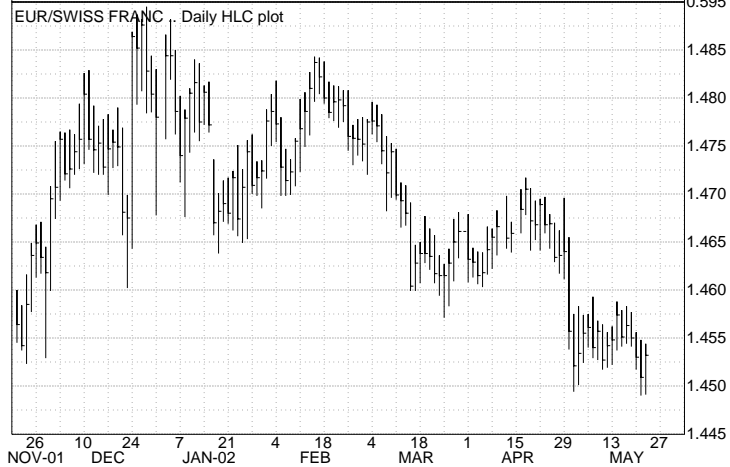
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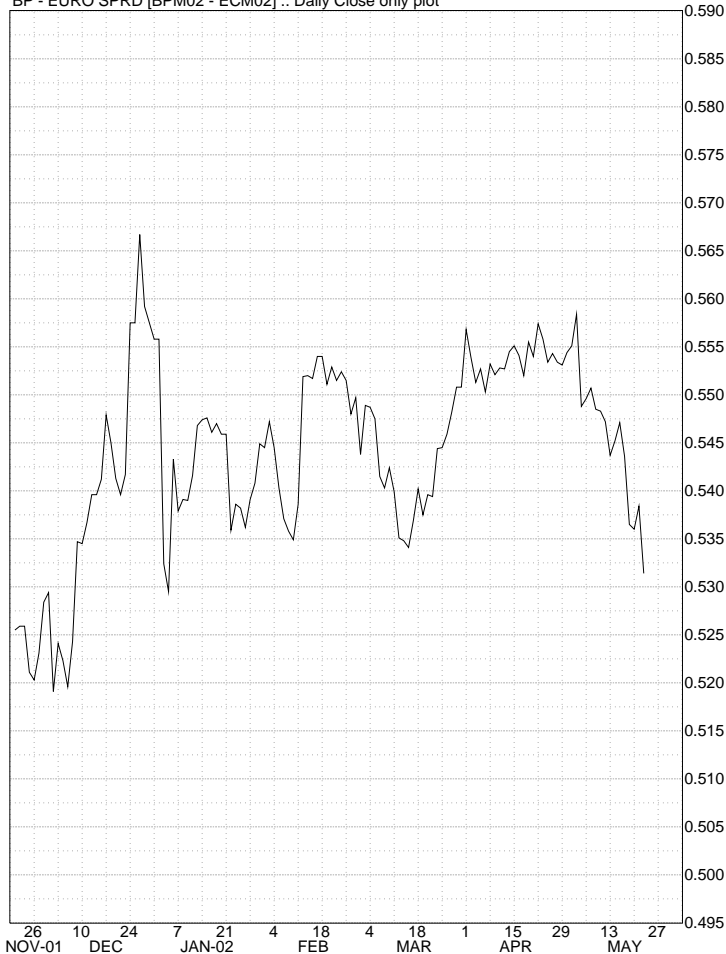


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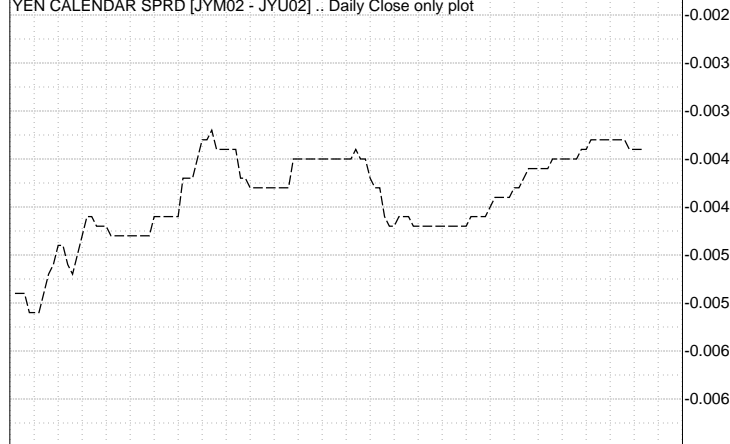
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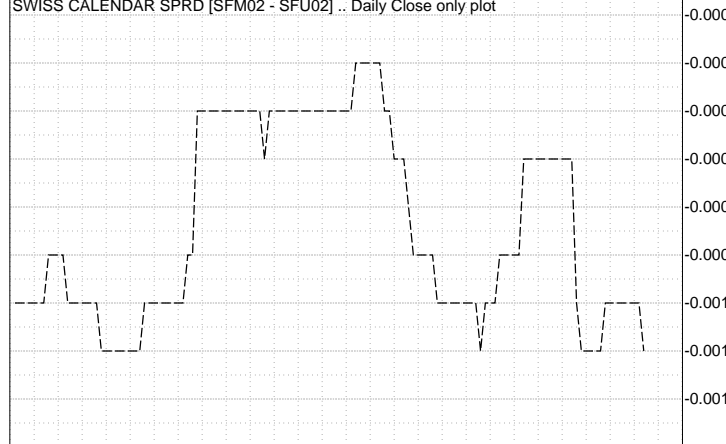
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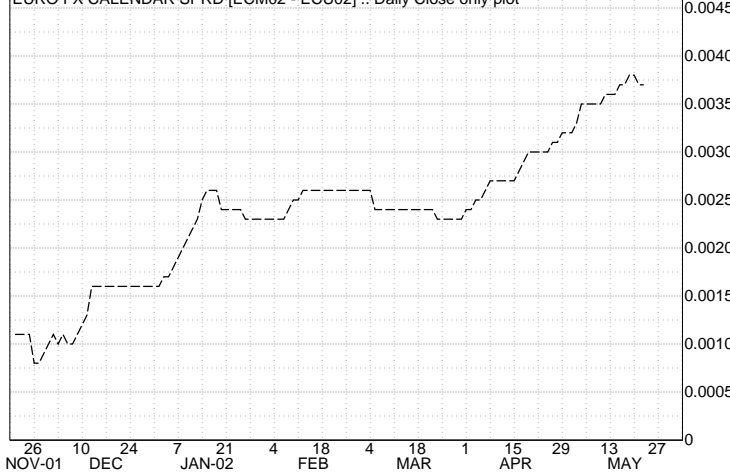
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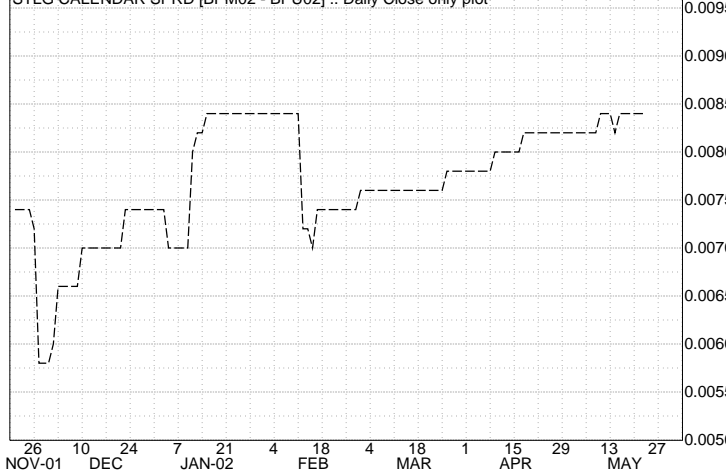
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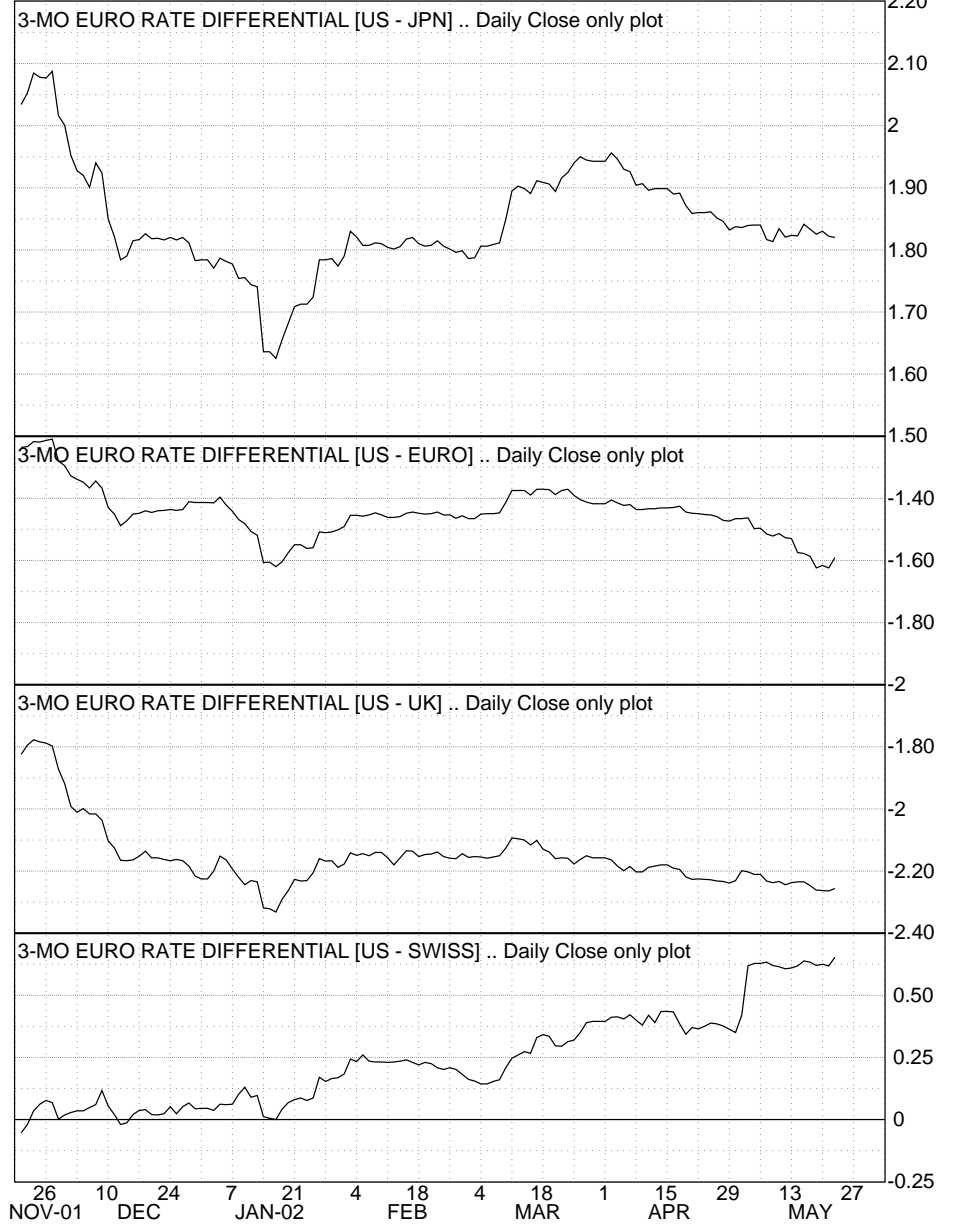
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