

The dollar rose on Tuesday as jitters over global growth, particularly in China, caused investors to flock to the safe-haven U.S. currency. The U.S. dollar index, which measures the currency against six major counterparts, was up 0.50% at 104.76. The index hit a near 6-month high of 104.85. China's services activity expanded at the slowest pace in eight months in August, a private-sector survey showed on Tuesday, as weak demand continued to dog the world's second-largest economy and stimulus failed to meaningfully revive consumption. Federal Reserve Governor Christopher Waller said on Tuesday the latest round of economic data was giving the U.S. central bank space to see if it needs to raise interest rates again, while noting that he currently sees nothing that would force a move toward boosting the cost of short-term borrowing again.

**AUD:** The Australian Dollar slumped after the Reserve Bank of Australia kept rates steady. The China-exposed Australian dollar was one of the weakest currencies against the greenback, down 1.42% to a fresh 10-month low, after Australia's central bank on Tuesday kept interest rates steady for a third month.

**CAD:** The Canadian dollar has been weakening against the USD to 1.3638 as markets digest concerns around the Chinese economy. Chinese Caixin PMI's disappointed, and with China being Canada's second largest trade partner, the loonie has since deteriorated. Crude oil prices have added to CAD woes. Canada's inflation has been moderating with all eyes on Wednesday's Bank of Canada's rate decision.

**GBP:** The pound was last down 0.55% today at \$1.2559. A deteriorating global growth picture sent the pound to a 12-week low against the dollar after a survey showed business activity in Britain contracted last month.

**EUR:** The euro was down 0.63% after hitting a near 3-month low against the dollar at \$1.0719. The decline in euro zone business activity accelerated faster than initially thought last month. The zone's dominant services industry fell into contraction according to a survey and suggests the bloc could drop into recession.

EXCHANGE RATE	
Currency	Rate
EUR/USD	1.0721
GBP/USD	1.2560
AUD/USD	0.6380
NZD/USD	0.5880
USD/CAD	1.3638
USD/MXN	17.4348
USD/CHF	0.8897
USD/JPY	147.74
USD/SGD	1.3613
USD/THB	35.4910
USD/CNY	7.3039

UPCOMING ECONOMIC RELEASES				
Date	Country	Economic Event	Prior	Forecast
09/04	AUD	RBA Interest Rate Decision	4.1%	4.1%
	CHF	GDP Growth Rate YoY (Q2)	2.3%	1.8%
09/05	AUD	GDP Growth Rate YoY (Q2)	117	116
09/06	CAD	Boc Interest rate Decision	5%	5%
	USD	ISM Services PMI (Aug)	52.7	52.6
09/07	EUR	GDP Growth Rate QoQ 3rd Est. (Q2)	0%	0.3%
	EUR	GDP Growth Rate YoY 3rd Est. (Q2)	1.1%	0.6%
	JPY	GDP Annualized Growth Rate (Q2)	3.7%	5.5%
	MXN	Inflation Rate YoY (Aug)	4.79%	4.61%
09/08	CAD	Employment Change (Aug)	-4.6K	15K
	CAD	Unemployment Rate (Aug)	5.5%	5.6%
	CNY	Inflation Rate YoY (AUG)	-0.3%	0.1%
	EUR	German Inflation Rate YoY Final	6.2%	6.1%