



DAILY CURRENCY REPORT

18 August 2026

Domestic Currencies

Currency	Expiry	Open	High	Low	Close	% Change
USDINR	27-Aug-26	95.5100	95.6500	95.1800	95.6325	0.20
USDINR	28-Sep-26	95.7100	95.9500	95.6000	95.9125	0.21
EURINR	27-Aug-26	110.5800	111.0900	110.5800	110.9250	0.49
GBPINR	27-Aug-26	129.4500	129.8050	129.3200	129.7125	0.37
JPYINR	27-Aug-26	60.3000	60.3000	60.1000	60.2200	0.53

Open Interest Snapshot

Currency	Expiry	% Change	% Oi Change	Oi Status
USDINR	27-Aug-26	0.20	9.32	Fresh Buying
USDINR	28-Sep-26	0.21	13.42	Fresh Buying
EURINR	27-Aug-26	0.49	10.99	Fresh Buying
GBPINR	27-Aug-26	0.37	-1.20	Short Covering
JPYINR	27-Aug-26	0.53	0.56	Fresh Buying

Global Indices

Index	Last	%Chg
Nifty	24287.65	-0.32
Dow Jones	53459.78	-0.51
NASDAQ	26644.91	-0.32
CAC	8579.60	-0.66
FTSE 100	10720.30	-0.28
Nikkei	68435.38	-1.13

International Currencies

Currency	Last	% Change
EURUSD	1.1577	-0.05
GBPUSD	1.3543	-0.05
USDJPY	159.4785	0.08
USDCAD	1.3871	0.00
USDAUD	1.4072	0.02
USDCHF	0.8111	0.05

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Technical Snapshot



BUY USDINR AUG @ 95.5 SL 95.3 TGT 95-95.9.

Trading Levels

Expiry	Close	R2	R1	PP	S1	S2
27-Aug-26	95.6325	95.96	95.80	95.49	95.33	95.02

Observations

USDINR trading range for the day is 95.02-95.96.

Rupee weakened as RBI unexpectedly shortened the deadline for its discounted forex swap facility for non-resident deposits, raising concerns over future dollar inflows.

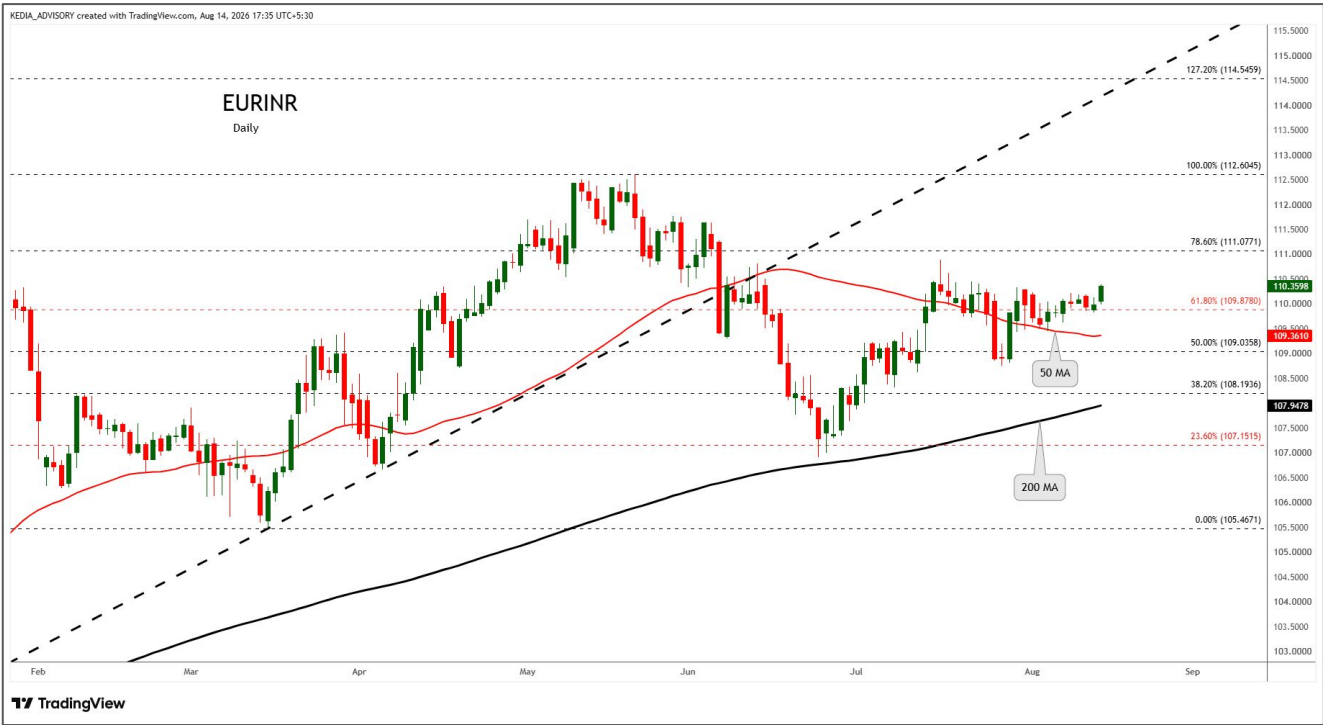
RBI brought forward the cutoff for the zero-cost hedging facility for FCNR(B) deposits to August 31 from September 30.

RBI continued selling dollars through state-run banks, while stronger foreign-exchange reserves, rose to a four-month high of \$707 billion



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SELL EURINR AUG @ 111 SL 111.3 TGT 110.7-110.5.

Trading Levels

Expiry	Close	R2	R1	PP	S1	S2
27-Aug-26	110.9250	111.38	111.16	110.87	110.65	110.36

Observations

EURINR trading range for the day is 110.36-111.38.

Euro gains as weak US data further tempered bets for an immediate rate hike by the Federal Reserve.

Euro draws support from growing acceptance that ECB will deliver one final 25 bps rate hike at its September meeting as inflation remains above the 2% target.

Euro Area economic outlook has improved, with recent resilience prompting analysts to become more optimistic about growth.

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SELL GBPINR AUG @ 129.8 SL 130.1 TGT 129.5-129.2.

Trading Levels

Expiry	Close	R2	R1	PP	S1	S2
27-Aug-26	129.7125	130.09	129.90	129.61	129.42	129.13

Observations

GBPINR trading range for the day is 129.13-130.09.

GBP gains as soft US economic data reduced expectations for an imminent Federal Reserve interest rate hike, supporting global risk sentiment.

Investors, remain worried that volatile energy prices could complicate the inflation outlook and force the Fed to stick to a hawkish stance.

Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent said that the US is preparing to hit Iran with economic measures that have never been seen, as soon as this week.

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SELL JPYINR AUG @ 60.25 SL 60.5 TGT 60-59.8.

Trading Levels

Expiry	Close	R2	R1	PP	S1	S2
27-Aug-26	60.2200	60.41	60.32	60.21	60.12	60.01

Observations

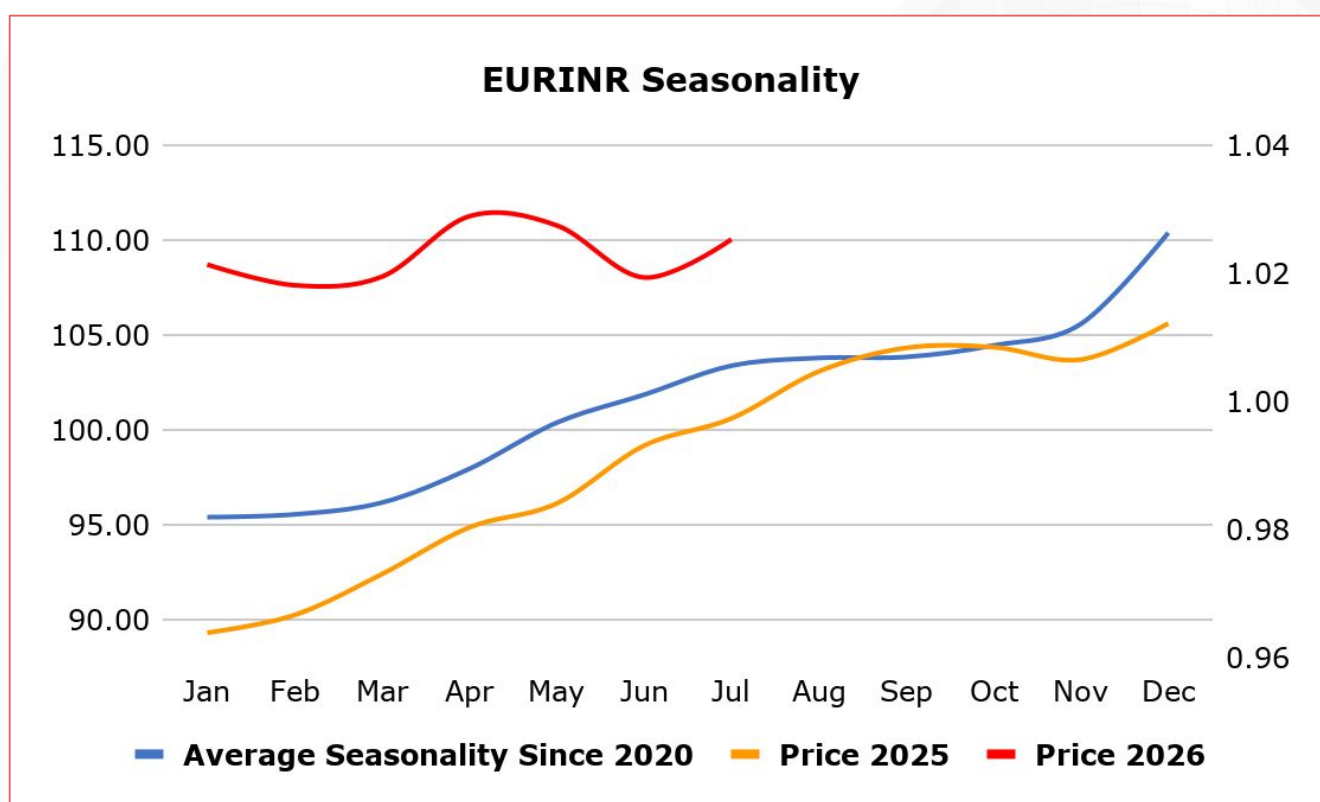
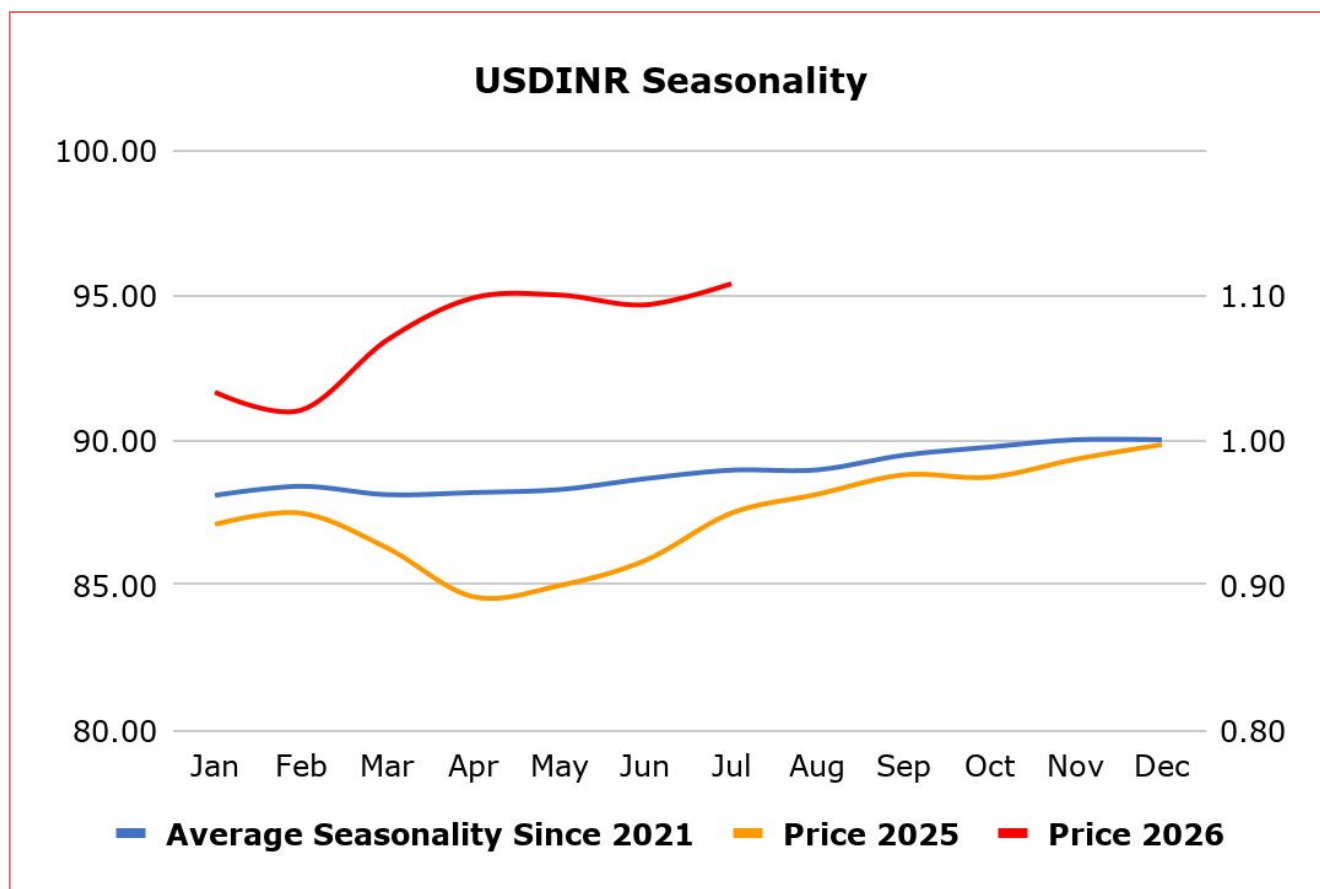
JPYINR trading range for the day is 60.01-60.41.

JPY gains amid Rupee weakness largely shrugging off weaker-than-expected Japanese GDP data

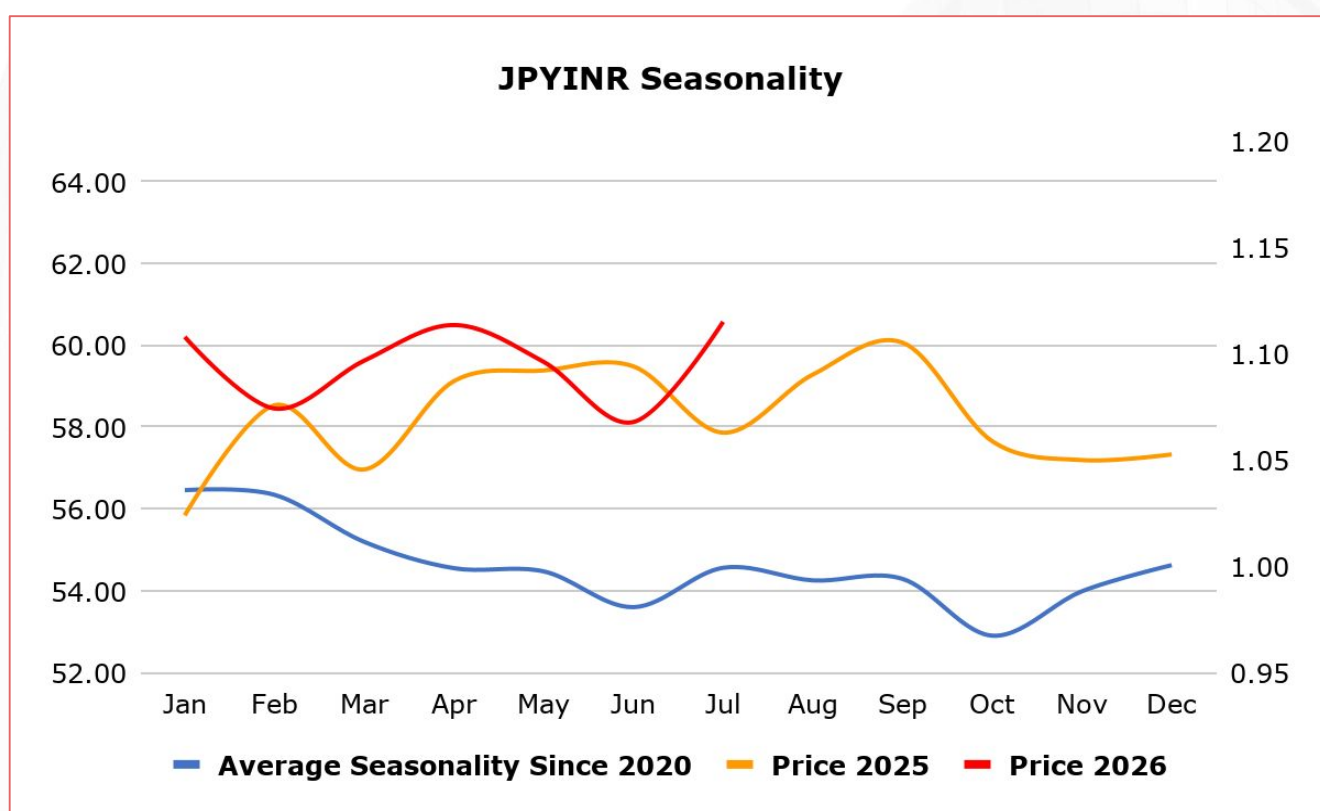
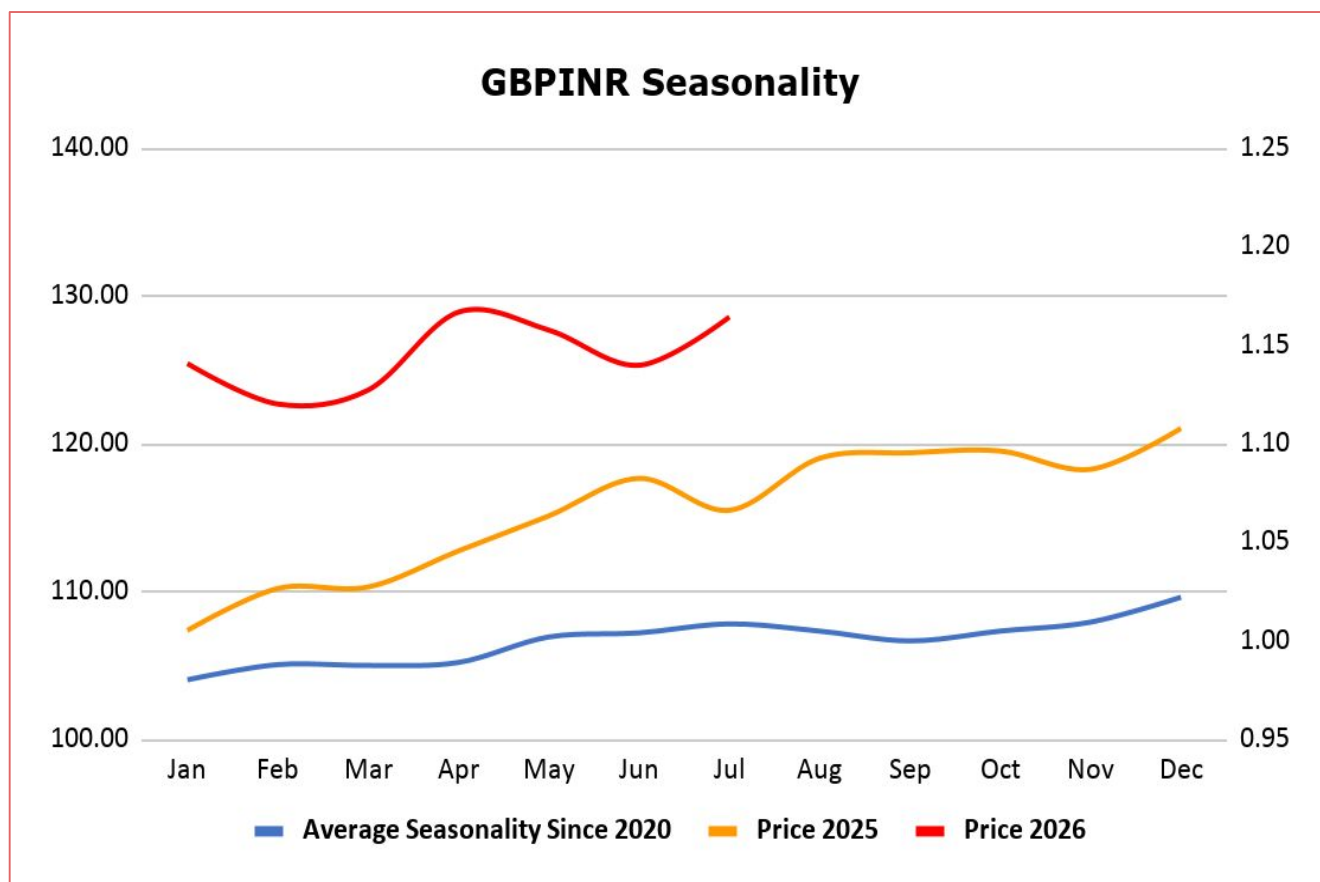
Japan's economy expanded at an annualized rate of 1.1% in Q2 2026, easing from a marginally revised 1.9% growth in the previous quarter.

Japan's GDP grew 0.3% quarter-on-quarter in Q2 2026, slowing from Q1's pace and falling short of market expectations for 0.5%.

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Economic Data

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Date	Curr.	Data
Aug 17	USD	Empire State Manufacturing Index
Aug 17	USD	NAHB Housing Market Index
Aug 18	EUR	ZEW Economic Sentiment
Aug 18	EUR	German ZEW Economic Sentiment
Aug 18	USD	ADP Weekly Employment Change
Aug 18	USD	Building Permits
Aug 18	USD	Housing Starts
Aug 18	USD	Import Prices m/m
Aug 18	USD	Capacity Utilization Rate
Aug 18	USD	Industrial Production m/m
Aug 18	USD	Pending Home Sales m/m
Aug 19	EUR	Current Account
Aug 19	EUR	Final Core CPI y/y
Aug 19	EUR	Final CPI y/y
Aug 19	USD	Crude Oil Inventories

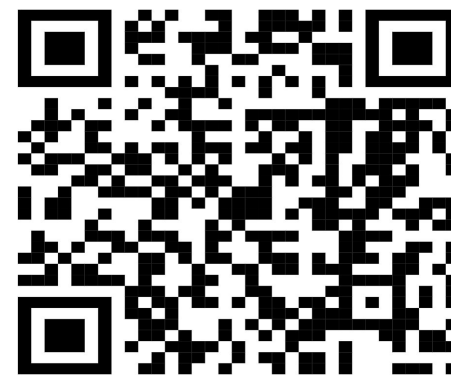
Date	Curr.	Data
Aug 19	USD	FOMC Meeting Minutes
Aug 20	EUR	German PPI m/m
Aug 20	USD	Philly Fed Manufacturing Index
Aug 20	USD	Unemployment Claims
Aug 20	USD	CB Leading Index m/m
Aug 20	USD	Natural Gas Storage
Aug 21	EUR	French Flash Manufacturing PMI
Aug 21	EUR	French Flash Services PMI
Aug 21	EUR	German Flash Manufacturing PMI
Aug 21	EUR	German Flash Services PMI
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Aug 21	EUR	Flash Services PMI
Aug 21	USD	Flash Manufacturing PMI
Aug 21	USD	Flash Services PMI
Aug 21	EUR	Consumer Confidence

News

Japan's economy grew slower than expected in April-June, government data showed, as private consumption softened due to headwinds from higher raw material costs and supply disruptions linked to the Middle East war. The annualised 1.1% increase in gross domestic product compared with a median market estimate of 2.0% growth in a Reuters poll. It also followed an upwardly revised 1.9% expansion in the previous quarter, extending the economy's growth streak to three consecutive quarters. The reading translates into a quarterly rise of 0.3%, compared with the median estimate of a 0.5% increase. Private consumption, was flat, falling short of a market estimate of a 0.5% increase. Capital spending, a key driver of private demand, fell 1.2% in the second quarter, versus a market forecast for a 0.4% increase. Net external demand, or exports minus imports, added 0.5 percentage point to growth. Exports remained resilient thanks to solid U.S. demand for Japanese hybrid vehicles and sustained global investment in artificial intelligence that supported shipments of semiconductor-related equipment and components.

The Eurozone economy expanded by 0.4% in the second quarter of 2026, in line with flash data and accelerating from flat growth in the previous quarter, second estimates showed. It marked the bloc's strongest quarterly expansion since the first quarter of 2025, as robust AI-related investment, solid government spending, and one-off factors helped offset the impact of the conflict in Iran and higher energy costs. Year-over-year, the Eurozone economic growth accelerated to 1% in the second quarter from a revised 0.5% three months earlier, also the same as in the flash estimate. The number of employed persons in the Euro Area grew by 0.1% from the previous quarter to 176.577 million in the second quarter of 2026, the same pace as the first quarter, and aligned with market expectations, according to a first estimate. Meanwhile, employment fell for a fifth straight quarter in Germany (-0.1% vs -0.1%). From the previous year, employment growth in the Eurozone was unchanged at 0.5%.

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