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MAIN WEEKLY VARIATIONS



INTERNATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS



	USD/MAD	EUR/MAD
Basket Effect ⁽¹⁾	+0.07%	-0.05%
Market Effect ⁽²⁾	-0.36%	-0.36%

Impact of the variation of the EUR/USD parity
 Impact of the variation in the liquidity spread (Supply / Demand)

A strong US labor market

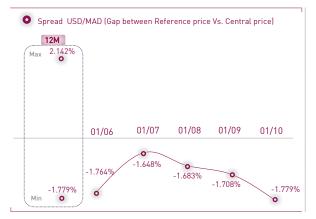
EUR/USD depreciated by -0.62% this week to 1.0244, below the 2-year low.

The US NFP employment report came out stronger than expected. Nonfarm payrolls rose to 256K in December, well above the consensus of 164K. The unemployment rate, meanwhile, fell to 4.1% from 4.2% the previous month. These data highlight the strength of the US labor market, which has led investors to review downward their expectations of the Fed monetary easing in 2025.

For January, markets are still largely pricing in a Fed monetary pause.

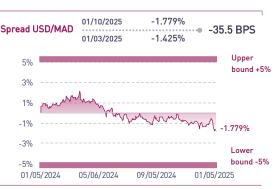
MAD EVOLUTION AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET LIQUIDITY INDICATORS





🗒 VOLATILITY INDICATORS

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	USDMAD	EURMAD	JPYMAD	CADMAD	GBPMAD	CHFMAD
1 MONTH	4.00%	4.82%	7.61%	3.41%	6.70%	5.14%
2 MONTH	S 4.07%	4.55%	9.03%	4.66%	5.64%	5.13%
3 MONTH	S 3.83%	4.15%	8.32%	4.52%	5.36%	4.79%



Good resilience of the liquidity of the Dirham

The USD/MAD pair depreciated this week by -0.29% from 10.10 to 10.07.

This evolution is explained by a negative *market effect*. This comes out at -0.36% in favor of the Dirham. The *basket effect*, for its part, comes out slightly positive at +0.07% as the Dollar strengthens internationally.

The liquidity spreads of the Dirham continue to improve from -36 BPS to -1.78%. The good performance of export flows, however, has made it possible to maintain these spreads in a negative territory. It should be noted that in 2024, tourist arrivals in Morocco reached an all-time high of 17.4 million tourists.

« Political uncertainties » worry the Fed

The upcoming inauguration of Trump in the United States would be the source of strong political uncertainties according to the Fed. Indeed, the promised measures of the new administration in terms of international trade would lead to the increase in import tariffs, which would fuel inflation.

Given the uncertainties and volatility of the foreign exchange market, we recommend exporters to hedge their transactions over a 3-month horizon.

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WEEKLY MAD INSIGHTS

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🔘 EUR/USD OUTLOOK – BLOOMBERG

99	SPOT	Q1-25	Q2-25	Q3-25	Q4-25	2026	2027	2028	2029
MEDIAN		1.03	1.03	1.04	1.05	1.08	1.10	1.12	
AVERAGE	1.0244	1.03	1.03	1.04	1.05	1.08	1.10	1.12	
+HIGH	01/10/2025	1.09	1.11	1.12	1.14	1.15	1.11	1.13	
+LOW		0.97	0.98	0.96	0.98	1.00	1.08	1.11	
FORWARD		1.03	1.04	1.04	1.05	1.07	1.09	1.11	1.13

Brokers' EUR/USD forecasts were reviewed downwards on the CT this week. The pair is expected to move to 1.03 in Q1-25 through Q2-25 from 1.04 a week earlier. In Q3-25, it would rise to 1.04 and then to 1.05 in Q4-25. In 2026, the target is 1.08 and 1.10 in 2027. In 2028, the target level is 1.12.

In the United States, inflation rebounded to 2.7% in November after 2.6% in October and 2.4% in September. At the last FOMC meeting of 2024, the Fed decided to cut rates by -25 BPS to settle in the range [4.25%-4.50%]. However, the Fed is concerned about political uncertainties in 2025 related to the measures promised by the new Trump administration in terms of international trade. These measures, considered inflationary, encourage the Fed to be cautious in its monetary easing process in 2025.

In the Eurozone, inflation rebounded to 2.4% in December after 2.2% in November according to the latest figures from Eurostat. The ECB expects inflation to return to the 2% target by 2026. At its last meeting of the year, it decided to lower its 3 key rates by -25 BPS each. The deposit facility rate thus stands at 3.00%. The markets anticipate continued monetary easing as economic growth in the EZ is slowing down.

🔘 DOWNWARD REVIEW OF OUR 1 MONTH, 2 MONTH AND 3 MONTH HORIZON FORECASTS



2 MONTHS

10.00:

10,248

9.732

Given the EUR/USD parity forecasts and the liquidity conditions on the foreign exchange market, we have reviewed downwards our forecasts for the USD/MAD pair at 1-month, 2-month and 3-month horizons.

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Week from 01/06/2025 to 01/10/2025

The EUR/USD forecasts of the brokers are in favor of an appreciation of the Euro against the Dollar up to 3 months horizon compared to spot levels.

The MAD liquidity spreads should ease at 1-month and 2-month horizons compared to spot levels and then tighten slightly at 3-month horizon to return to current levels.

In these conditions, the target levels for the USD/MAD parity stand at 9.97, 10.00 and 10.05 on 1-, 2- and 3- month horizons against a spot rate of 10.07.

The target levels for the EUR/MAD parity stand at 10.29; 10.32 and 10.37 at 1, 2 and 3 month horizons against a spot price of 10.35.

Based on EUR/USD Bloomberg forecast for Q1-25

9.702

HIGH

LOW

AVERAGE

I MONTH

9 972

10,217

🔯 MAD YTD PERFORMANCE DASHBOARD IN FRONT OF A REFERENCE BASKET

3 MONTHS

10,054

10,301

9.782

	USD/MAD	EUR/MAD	JPY/MAD	CAD/MAD	GBP/MAD	CHF/MAD
1 WEEK	-0.29%	-0.41%	-1.03%	-0.29%	-1.39%	-0.82%
1 MONTH	+0.67%	-1.87%	-3.70%	-0.93%	-3.21%	-3.24%
YTD 2023	-0.41%	-1.64%	-1.52%	-0.55%	-2.63%	-1.54%

Prices as at 10/01/2025



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APPENDICES DATA AS OF JANUARY 15TH, 2025

APPENDIX 1 : BLOOMBERG FORECASTS OF CURRENCY PAIRS TENORS

		Q1-25	Q2-25	Q3-25	Q4-25	2026	2027	2028
FORECAST	USD/JPY	153	150	149	147	141	140	
FORWARD	158	157	155	154	152	146	141	136
FORECAST	USD/CAD	1.43	1.43	1.41	1.4	1.37	1.37	
FORWARD	1.44	1.43	1.43	1.42	1.42	1.4	1.38	1.36
FORECAST	USD/CHF	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.91	0.89	
FORWARD	0.91	0.91	0.90	0.89	0.88	0.84	0.81	0.78
FORECAST	GBP/USD	1.26	1.25	1.26	1.27	1.28	1.32	
FORWARD	1.22	1.22	1.22	1.22	1.22	1.22	1.22	1.22

APPENDIX 2 : MAIN BROKERS FORECASTS FOR THE EUR/USD PARITY

	Date	Q1-2025	Q2-2025	Q3-2025	Q4-2025	2026
JPMorgan Chase	01/10/25	0.99	1.03	1.05	1.08	
RBC Capital Markets	12/18/24	1.02	1.02	1.03	1.05	
BNP Paribas	12/12/24	1.03	1.02	1.01	1	1
Standard Chartered	12/05/24	1.08	1.07	1.05	1.04	1.04
Wells Fargo	12/04/24	1.02	1	0.99	0.98	
Commerzbank	11/15/24	1.05	1.05	1.06	1.07	1.08
DZ Bank	01/15/25	0.98	0.99	1.01		
Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank	01/15/25	1.05	1.07	1.1	1.08	
AFEX	01/14/25	1.03	0.98	1.03		
Swedbank	01/14/25	1.03	1.04	1.05	1.07	1.08
Ballinger & Co.	01/13/25	1.02	1.04	1.05	1.06	1.08
Klarity FX	01/13/25	1.04	1.05	1.07	1.09	
Rabobank	01/13/25	1.02	1	1	1.01	
TD Securities	01/13/25	0.99	1	1.03	1.05	1.08
United Overseas Bank	01/13/25	1.01	0.99	1.01	1.03	1.07
Jyske Bank	01/10/25	0.97	1	1.02	1.02	
Validus Risk Management	01/10/25	1.03	1.05	1.08	1.11	

In gray, the main brokers selected to compute the EURUSD consensus for Q1-25 Prices as at 01/15/2025

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