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LAST WEEK:

Core inflation for July amounted to 0.4% m/m and 3.7% and was marginally higher than market consensus view.

In July average employment in enterprises' sector was unchanged m/m and rose by 1.8% y/y after 0.3% m/m and 2.8% y/y growth in June. Growth in employment was below market consensus expectations what may suggest that direct recovery after opening the economy slowly loses its momentum.

In July average gross monthly wage in enterprises' sector rose by 0.9% m/m and increased by 8.7% y/y to PLN5852.

In August consumer confidence index fell to -14.6 from -13.5 in July. A decline in consumer confidence stemmed mainly from decrease in major purchases index while other sub-indices remained broadly unchanged.

In July **producers prices** increased by 1.2% m/m and rose by 8.2% y/y. Strong increase in PPI was a result of higher prices in manufacturing – the strongest growth took place in oil refining prices (up 5.7% m/m) and production of metals (prices were 5.1% up m/m).

In July **industrial output** fell by 3.9% m/m and increased by 9.8% y/y, Seasonally adjusted industrial output rose by 0.7% m/m and 12.6% y/y in July. On a year-on-year basis the strongest growth in output was reported in electric equipment (up 26.4%), computers, electronic and optical devices (up 25.9%), metals (up 22.3%) and products of metals (up 21.5%). Declines in output were reported, among others, in automobiles (down by 4,7%) and furniture (down 2.4%).

In July **retail sales** in nominal prices rose by 2.5% m/m and increased by 8.9% y/y, in line with our forecast. Real retail sales rose by 2.1% m/m and increased by 3.9% y/y in July, below market consensus forecast. In July the strongest growth in real retail sales was reported in fuels (up 5.3% m/m) and food (up 5.1% m/m) what was due to holiday-related expenditures. In July real retail sales of pharmaceuticals and cosmetics rose by 1.6% m/m, retail sales of furniture, consumer electronics and white goods rose by 0.3% m/m and other retail sales (comprising retail sales via Internet) rose by 2.8%. In July real retail sales of automobiles fell by 4.7% m/m and retail sales of footwear and clothing fell by 6.0% m/m. In July prices in retail sales rose by 4.8% y/y after 4.1% y/y growth in June.

In July **construction output** fell by 4.7% m/m and rose by 3.3% y/y, and was much weaker than market consensus forecast of 6.0% y/y growth. In July construction of buildings fell by 1.5% m/m, specialized construction works were down by 2.9% y/y and infrastructure construction declined by 8.2% m/m.

Figure 1: Core inflation (y/y)



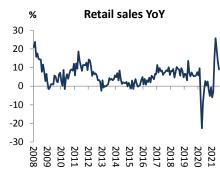
Source: NBP

Figure 2. Producer price index (y/y)



Source: Statistics Poland

Figure 3.Retail sales (y/y growth)



Source: Statistics Poland

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DIARY (this week)

Date	GMT	Release/Event	DB Expected	Actual	Consensus
Aug-23	12:00	Money supply M3 (lip)		1.0% (8.8%)	0.5% (8.7%)
Aug-24	8:00	Unemployment rate (lip)	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%
Aug-24	8:00	Unemployment rate (Q2)		3.5%	
Aug-25	12:00	Minutes from MPC meeting			

Source: Deutsche Bank Estimates., Reuters and Bloomberg Finance LP

FX and interest rate forecasts

	EUR/PLN	USD/PLN	CHF/PLN	GBP/PLN	EUR/USD	WIBOR 3M	WIBOR 6M	EURIBOR 3M	LIBOR USD 3M	CPI (Poland)	Yield on 10Y POLGB	
(end of period)												
Aug-21	4.580	3.901	4.280	5.399	1.174	0.21	0.25	-0.54	0.12	4.9	1.80	
Sep-21	4.552	3.862	4.233	5.380	1.179	0.21	0.25	-0.52	0.15	4.8	1.85	
Oct-21	4.524	3.823	4.186	5.360	1.183	0.21	0.25	-0.51	0.20	5.0	1.87	
Nov-21	4.496	3.784	4.139	5.339	1.188	0.21	0.25	-0.50	0.20	5.0	1.90	
Dec-21	4.460	3.717	4.018	5.278	1.200	0.21	0.25	-0.50	0.20	5.2	1.95	
Jan-22	4.455	3.700	3.985	5.265	1.204	0.21	0.25	-0.50	0.20	4.6	2.00	
Feb-22	4.450	3.683	3.987	5.252	1.208	0.22	0.25	-0.50	0.20	4.7	2.00	
Mar-22	4.445	3.666	3.987	5.235	1.213	0.22	0.25	-0.50	0.20	4.2	2.05	
Apr-22	4.440	3.649	3.986	5.219	1.217	0.22	0.25	-0.50	0.20	4.1	2.07	
May-22	4.435	3.633	3.985	5.195	1.221	0.25	0.30	-0.50	0.20	3.9	2.10	
Jun-22	4.430	3.616	3.980	5.171	1.225	0.30	0.35	-0.50	0.20	4.2	2.15	
Jul-22	4.425	3.600	3.976	5.148	1.229	0.30	0.40	-0.50	0.20	3.9	2.15	

Note: Due to Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 on indices used as benchmarks in financial instruments and financial contracts or to measure the performance of investment funds and amending Directives 2008/48/EC and 2014/17/EU and Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 the way of calculation of WIBOR rates and their values may be subject to change.

Note 2: Due to increased market variability and changes in monetary and fiscal policies, forecasts are subject to higher than usual uncertainty.

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Appendix 1

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