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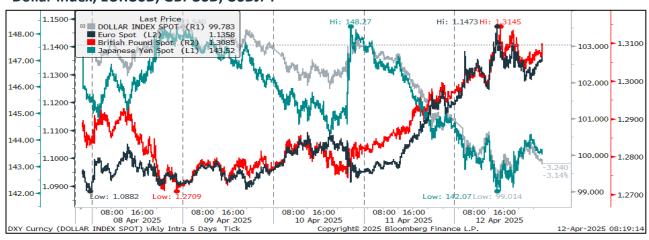
## **Market Summary & Outlook:**

The U.S. dollar crumbled to a fresh two-year nadir on Friday, dragged lower by escalating trade tensions and soft domestic inflation data. The ICE Dollar Spot Index, a benchmark that tracks the greenback against a basket of major currencies, slid to its weakest level since July 2023, weighed down by China's retaliatory tariff move and a sharp slowdown in U.S. wholesale prices. In a significant escalation, Beijing announced it would hike tariffs on all U.S. imports, raising the levy range from 84% to a staggering 125% starting April 12. The ICE dollar index tumbled to 99.01 before closing at 100.10 with a loss of 2.84%.

Currency Performance								
Currency	11-Apr-25	04-Apr-25	% Change					
Dollar Index Spot	100.10	103.02	-2.84%					
Euro Spot	1.1355	1.0956	3.64%					
British Pound Spot	1.3087	1.2887	1.55%					
Japanese Yen Spot	143.54	146.93	-2.31%					
Chinese Yuan Spot	7.288	7.295	-0.10%					
USDINR	86.05	85.24	0.96%					
EURINR	97.97	93.64	4.62%					
GBPINR	112.92	110.71	2.00%					

- The move was a direct response to Washington's continued trade provocations, which Chinese officials now derisively label a "joke," signalling their intent to disregard any further duties imposed by the Trump administration. This hardline stance marked a definitive break from prior tit-for-tat diplomacy, injecting fresh volatility into global currency markets.
- The dollar's slide was amplified by weaker-than-expected U.S. producer price data for March, further eroding investor confidence. The decline in wholesale prices hinted at subdued inflationary pressures, undermining bets on future Federal Reserve rate hikes and deepening the dollar's woes. Currency traders responded with a decisive shift in sentiment. Options markets saw a rare pivot, as positioning turned overtly bearish on the dollar for the first time in five years. This marked a broader retreat from U.S. assets, reflecting growing unease among global investors over the deepening rift between the world's two largest economies.
- Amid the turmoil, the euro and the Swiss franc emerged as standout gainers within the Group of 10 currencies. The euro was buoyed by resilient economic indicators out of the eurozone, while the franc, long considered a safe-haven asset, attracted flows from jittery investors seeking refuge from market turbulence. The greenback's decline paints a picture of an increasingly isolated U.S. in global markets, where aggressive trade posturing and fading inflationary momentum are now prompting investors to reconsider the dollar's long-held status as the world's dominant reserve currency.

## Dollar Index, EURUSD, GBPUSD, USDJPY



### **Currency Performance and Level to Watch:**

**EURUSD** 

**EURINR** 

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Currency	Weekly High	Weekly Low	Weekly Close	Weekly % Chg.	MTD % Chg.	QTD % Chg.	YTD % Chg.
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Dollar Index	103.54	99.01	100.10	-2.84%	-0.70%	-3.94%	-8.38%
EURUSD Spot	1.1500	1.0900	1.1355	3.64%	0.13%	4.98%	4.64%
EURINR Spot	98.76	93.70	97.97	4.62%	1.14%	-6.01%	8.77%
Currency	Pivot	Supt.3	Supt.2	Supt.1	Resi.1	Resi.2	Resi.3
Dollar Index	100.89	91.83	96.36	98.23	102.76	105.41	109.94

1.0646

91.75

1.1591

99.92

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94.86

1.2419

106.94

1.1828

101.87

1.0055

86.69

1.1237

96.81

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### **Technical Outlooks:**

#### **Dollar Index View:**

- The dollar index formed a long bearish candle, indicating weakness.
- It took support near 99, which coincides with the July 2023 low and upward-slopping trend line.
- Oscillators on the weekly chart entered in the oversold zone.
- It has support at 97 and resistance at 105.10.

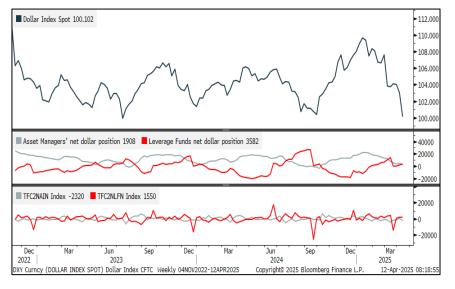
Spot EURINR: Bullish, Buy on dips Support 94, Resistance 99.50

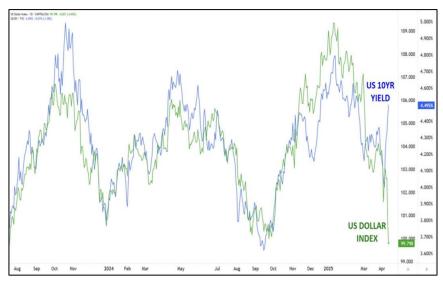
The aggregate dollar position shifted from long \$1 billion to short \$4 billion



**US 10-Year Yields** 







		Economic Calendar			
Date	Country	Event	Period	Survey	Prio
14-Apr	Japan	Industrial Production YoY	Feb F		0.30%
	Japan	Capacity Utilization MoM	Feb		4.50%
	China	Trade Balance	Mar	\$74.40b	\$31.72
	UK	Employment Change 3M/3M	Feb	170k	144
	UK	Claimant Count Rate	Mar		4.70%
	UK	Jobless Claims Change	Mar		44.2
15-Apr	India	Wholesale Prices YoY	Mar	2.50%	2.389
15 / (5)	EC	Industrial Production WDA YoY	Feb	-0.80%	0.00%
	India	CPI YoY	Mar	3.50%	3.61%
	US	Empire Manufacturing	Apr	-12.5	-2
	India	Trade Balance	Mar	-\$15250m	-\$14050r
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	China	Industrial Production YoY	Mar	5.80%	
	China	GDP YoY	1Q	5.20%	5.409
	China	Retail Sales YoY	Mar	4.20%	
	UK	CPI YoY	Mar	2.70%	2.809
	UK	CPI Core YoY	Mar	3.40%	3.509
	EC	ECB Current Account SA	Feb		35.4
16-Apr	UK	House Price Index YoY	Feb		4.909
	EC	CPI YoY	Mar F	2.20%	
	US	MBA Mortgage Applications	11-Apr		20.009
	US	Industrial Production MoM	Mar	-0.20%	0.709
	US	Capacity Utilization	Mar	78.00%	78.209
	US	Manufacturing (SIC) Production	Mar	0.30%	0.90%
	US	NAHB Housing Market Index	Apr	38	3
	Japan	Trade Balance	Mar	¥464.9b	¥590.5
	EC	ECB Deposit Facility Rate	17-Apr	2.25%	2.509
17-Apr	EC	ECB Main Refinancing Rate	17-Apr	2.40%	2.659
	EC	ECB Marginal Lending Facility	17-Apr	2.65%	2.909
	US	Housing Starts	Mar	1416k	1501
	US	Building Permits	Mar P	1450k	1459
	US	Initial Jobless Claims	12-Apr	225k	223
	US	Philadelphia Fed Business Outlook	Apr	3	12.
	US	Continuing Claims	05-Apr	1870k	1850
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18-Apr	Japan	Natl CPI YoY	Mar	3.70%	3.70%

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