



Registration for the press distribution list and further information at www.sentix.co.uk



Manfred Hübner

CEFA, Managing Director

manfred.huebner@sentix.de



sentix GmbH

Wiesenhüttenstraße 17, 60329 Frankfurt am Main

Tel. +49 (69) 3487 961-0, info@sentix.de

sentix Economic Index: Current situation gains momentum







- The Eurozone economy remains on track to leave the painful consequences of the Corona year behind. The increasing openings of trade, restaurants and tourism are reviving the situation scores. For the Eurozone, the index rises to 21.3 points. This is the highest value since 11.2018.
- In Germany, the situation assessment improves for the 13th consecutive month to 29.5 points. The overall index rises to 32.9 points.
- The significant improvement in the situation assessment is also evident globally. Even the Latin America region is close to crossing the zero line in the overall index. The situation values here also rise by 8 points to -18.8 points. Expectations remain at a high level in all regions, although the high seems to have been passed.

Statistics

Poll running: **3rd June to 5th June 2021**

Survey participants: **1,139 investors**
(**222** of those are institutional investors)

Current economic regimes* of countries /regions in focus:

Region / country	Regime	Region / country	Regime
 Eurozone	Boom	 USA	Boom
 Germany	Boom	 Japan	Boom
 Switzerland	Boom	Asia ex-Japan	Boom
 Austria	Boom	Latin America	Recovery
Eastern Europe	Recovery	Global Aggregate	Boom

* The regimes – ranging from recession to boom – are derived from the sentix Economic Indices according to the principle of the “economy clock” (see annotation on penultimate page). They reflect investors’ perceptions of different economies. These perceptions are the basis for investors’ behaviour, i.e. their asset allocation, and are thus relevant for financial markets. They are historically close to actual economic activities but need not necessarily be identical.

Results for the Euro area economy: June 2021

Euro Area	Jan. 21	Feb. 21	Mar. 21	Apr. 21	May. 21	Jun. 21		
Overall index	1.3	-0.2	5.0	13.1	21.0	28.1	Highest since 02.2018	4. increase in a row
Headline Index								
- Current situation	-26.5	-27.5	-19.3	-6.5	6.3	21.3	Highest since 11.2018	4. increase in a row
- Expectations	33.5	31.5	32.5	34.8	36.8	35.3		



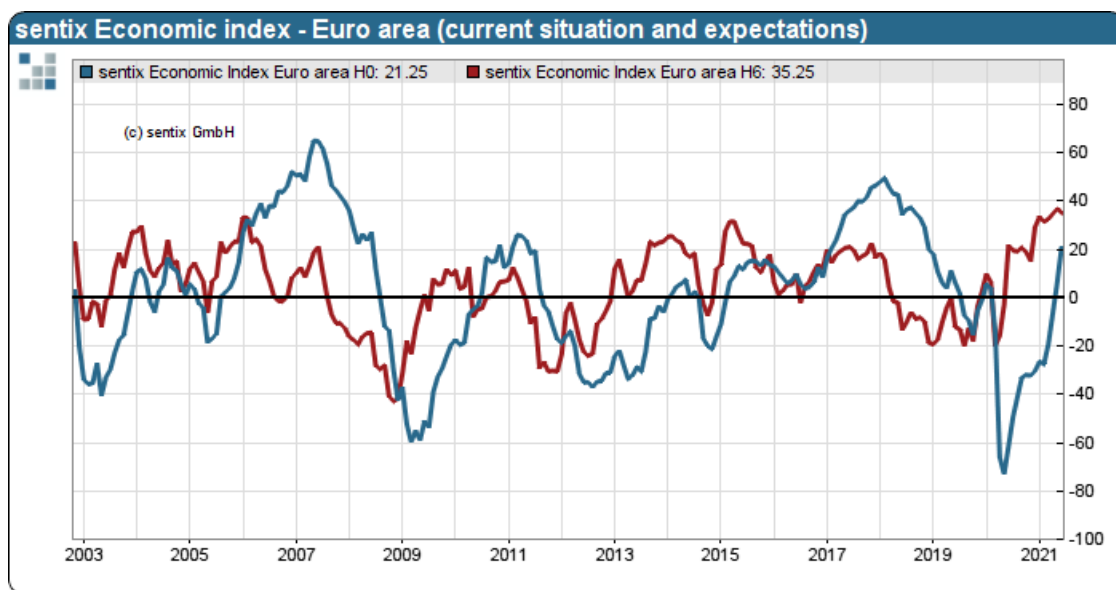
Commentary on the survey results for June 2021

Current situation gains momentum

The economic catch-up process continues and above all the situation is now assessed much better than four weeks ago. No wonder, since more and more restrictions are being lifted in Europe after the Corona case numbers declined significantly. In Euroland, the situation index rises by 15 points to 21.3. This is the highest value since November 2018. The same can be observed for all other world regions. We also measure further increases in the sentix indices in Latin America and Eastern Europe, where economic activity has been subdued so far.

Euro area: Situation index shoots up

The eurozone is increasingly leaving the painful losses of the Corona year behind. The openings in trade, gastronomy and tourism in recent weeks are showing their effect in a strong rise in the situation assessment. The corresponding index rose to 21.3 points. This is the highest level since November 2018, al-so far better than investors assessed the situation before the Corona slump. This may be surprising to some extent, but it is explained less by the services sector, which is only now picking up speed again, than by the boom-like situation in the manufacturing sector, which has already been in place for months. In addition, the European Central Bank has been pursuing a very expansive monetary policy for more than a year. This ample supply of liquidity is also stimulating the economy. The positive economic situation is not likely to end any time soon. At 35.3 points, the expectations are still at an expansionary level. There are also no significant signals from other regions of the world for a coming slowdown in growth.



sentix Economic Index for the Eurozone: **current situation** and **expectations**

However, there is a downside to the strong economy and that is foreseeable rising prices. The inflation barometer remains clearly negative at -42.25 points, indicating that investors expect inflationary pressures to persist. In addition, investors expect that the central banks will have to rethink their expansionary course. So far, the signals on this from the ECB are still very restrained. Experience shows that institutions such as central banks are often "behind the curve" at key turning points. This means that the pressure on prices, and thus also on the bond markets, is likely to continue over the summer. The ECB will probably not be able to avoid the discussion about turning away from its very expansionary policy for much longer.



Germany: Opening steps are celebrated

In Germany, too, the current economic assessment is gaining momentum after the sharp drop in the Corona figures made it possible for the economy to take more and more opening steps. The situation rises for the 13th time in a row to 29.5 points. This is the best reading since January 2019, and on a positive note, expectations also remain positive at 36.3 points. Nevertheless, it will be interesting to see how long the opening euphoria lasts and how trade develops in the medium term should, for example, the mask requirement remain in place.

Germany	Jan. 21	Feb. 21	Mar. 21	Apr. 21	May. 21	Jun. 21		
Overall index	9.2	8.6	11.9	20.0	26.1	32.9	Highest since 02.2018	4. increase in a row
Headline Index								
- Current situation	-15.8	-15.5	-9.5	4.5	15.3	29.5	Highest since 01.2019	13. increase in a row
- Expectations	37.5	35.8	35.8	36.8	37.5	36.3		

USA: Has the zenith been passed?

The USA has lifted important economic restrictions earlier than Europe. In the meantime, the majority of states have even lifted all Corona measures. Accordingly, the assessment of the situation is also positive here, with the sixth consecutive increase to the highest level since December 2018 (46.3 points). However, the sentix data now show that the air is getting thin for further improvements. Expectations fell for the second time to a still good 33.8 points. However, this is already a decline of almost 14 index points compared to the April high.

United States	Jan. 21	Feb. 21	Mar. 21	Apr. 21	May. 21	Jun. 21		
Overall index	10.7	18.0	25.5	38.6	40.1	39.9		
Headline Index								
- Current situation	-11.3	-2.8	9.0	30.0	41.8	46.3	Highest since 12.2018	6. increase in a row
- Expectations	35.3	41.0	43.3	47.5	38.5	33.8	Lowest since 12.2020	

Global Aggregate: World Economic Recovery

The global economy continues to recover in leaps and bounds from the deep cuts of the Corona crisis. Strong regions such as Asia or the USA are signalling that expectations can no longer be raised but that, on the contrary, the first declines are measurable. However, the situation values are still clearly on the rise everywhere. Even regions such as Latin America or Eastern Europe, which have lagged behind in terms of dynamics so far, are showing encouragingly positive figures. In Latin America, the overall index has risen to its highest level since May 2018!

Global	Jan. 21	Feb. 21	Mar. 21	Apr. 21	May. 21	Jun. 21		
Overall index	14.9	17.5	20.5	26.8	28.3	29.3	Highest since 02.2018	14. increase in a row
Headline Index								
- Current situation	-4.1	0.0	5.5	16.3	23.0	27.5	Highest since 11.2018	13. increase in a row
- Expectations	35.7	36.5	36.5	37.7	33.7	31.1	Lowest since 11.2020	



Further result tables

Japan	Jan. 21	Feb. 21	Mar. 21	Apr. 21	May. 21	Jun. 21		
Overall index	13.6	16.1	20.0	25.5	25.2	26.1	Highest since 02.2018	
Headline Index								
- Current situation	-5.0	-1.8	5.0	15.3	17.8	21.8	Highest since 12.2018	5. increase in a row
- Expectations	34.0	35.5	36.0	36.3	33.0	30.5	Lowest since 11.2020	
Asia ex Japan	Jan. 21	Feb. 21	Mar. 21	Apr. 21	May. 21	Jun. 21		
Overall index	29.6	33.1	33.5	37.6	36.0	34.1		
Headline Index								
- Current situation	17.8	24.0	26.0	33.8	37.0	36.0		
- Expectations	42.0	42.5	41.3	41.5	35.0	32.3	Lowest since 11.2020	
Eastern Europe	Jan. 21	Feb. 21	Mar. 21	Apr. 21	May. 21	Jun. 21		
Overall index	-1.8	-2.7	-0.3	4.6	9.5	14.9	Highest since 03.2018	4. increase in a row
Headline Index								
- Current situation	-26.0	-27.0	-22.0	-14.0	-6.3	4.8	Highest since 02.2020	4. increase in a row
- Expectations	25.8	25.0	24.0	25.0	26.5	25.5		
Latin America	Jan. 21	Feb. 21	Mar. 21	Apr. 21	May. 21	Jun. 21		
Overall index	-11.2	-13.2	-10.2	-9.0	-5.1	-0.7	Highest since 05.2018	4. increase in a row
Headline Index								
- Current situation	-38.0	-39.8	-35.0	-31.8	-26.8	-18.8	Highest since 02.2020	4. increase in a row
- Expectations	20.0	17.8	18.3	16.8	19.3	19.3		
Switzerland	Jan. 21	Feb. 21	Mar. 21	Apr. 21	May. 21	Jun. 21		
Overall index	11.1	18.2	19.8	24.6	30.4	35.5	Highest since 01.2018	7. increase in a row
Headline Index								
- Current situation	-2.3	-5.8	4.5	10.5	35.5	39.3	Highest since 11.2018	4. increase in a row
- Expectations	25.3	45.0	36.3	39.8	25.5	31.8		
Austria	Jan. 21	Feb. 21	Mar. 21	Apr. 21	May. 21	Jun. 21		
Overall index	9.5	-1.2	8.5	18.1	34.0	44.7	Highest since 04.2018	4. increase in a row
Headline Index								
- Current situation	-23.5	-32.0	-22.0	-7.0	15.0	49.5	Highest since 11.2018	4. increase in a row
- Expectations	48.8	35.3	44.3	46.5	54.8	40.0		



Data availability

Bloomberg L.P.

FACTSET

REFINITIV™



Macrobond



HAVER ANALYTICS®

sentix 
expertise in behavioral finance

About sentix

sentix is the pioneer and leading provider of sentiment analyses (behavioural finance) in Europe. Since 2001 sentix surveys on a weekly basis around 5.000 investors from over 20 countries (comprising over 1.000 institutional and almost 4.000 individual investors) about their expectations for financial markets as well as for economic developments and their portfolio actions. The sentix survey results are representative of a broadly diversified group of investors.

sentix surveys offer the rare combination of a vast number of participants, high quality and an outstanding speed with which information is gathered and passed on. All sentix indices are regularly accessible for sentix data clients just about one day after the close of each poll – via the sentix website or Bloomberg. sentix clients thus can use sentix data almost in real time to further improve performance.

sentix GmbH was founded in 2001 and today represents the basis for all the services the sentix group offers to its clients in the field of Behavioural Finance.

Background, methodology and more

Current reports and documentation: <https://www.sentix.de/index.php/en/sentix-Economic-News/>

Charts and tables: <https://www.sentix.de/index.php/en/sentix-Economic-Factsheets/economy-at-a-glance.html>



Disclaimer

Important information concerning liability, compliance, protection of investors and copyright

This information is meant only for distribution in countries in which law permits this.

This analysis is for information purposes only and (i) does not constitute or form part of any offer for sale or subscription of or solicitation of any offer to buy or subscribe for any financial, money market or investment instrument or any security, (ii) is neither intended as such an offer for sale or subscription of or solicitation of an offer to buy or subscribe for any financial, money market or investment instrument or any security nor (iii) as an advertisement thereof. The investment possibilities discussed in this report may not be suitable for certain investors depending on their specific investment objectives and time horizon or in the context of their overall financial situation. The investments discussed may fluctuate in price or value. Investors may get back less than they invested.

Changes in rates of exchange may hurt the value of investments. Furthermore, past performance is not necessarily indicative of future results. In particular, the risks associated with an investment in the financial, money market or investment instrument or security under discussion are not explained in their entirety.

We assume no liability for the information contained in this analysis. The analysis is no substitute for personal investment consultation. Even by the depicted opportunities and risks, investors must individually assess – by their personal investment strategies, the financial, legal and fiscal situation - whether an investment in the financial instruments depicted here is sensible for them. As this document is in no way a direct investment recommendation, this document or parts of it should not be used as the basis for any conclusion of the contract or any commitment to obligations of any kind. Investors are asked to contact the investment analysts of their banks for individual investment advice and other individual explanations and advice.

Neither the sentix GmbH nor any of its managing directors, employees or other persons assumes liability for losses or damages caused in connection with the use of this document or its contents.

The sentiment analysis is made available via the internet to those sentix participants of which is assumed that they do not base their investment decisions inappropriately by this analysis.

Statements or conclusions made through data or services do not include warrants or guarantees for the future market- or price changes. The opinions and assessments expressed therein can change without prior notice.

The sentix GmbH explicitly points out that both the sentix GmbH, its legal agents as well as their employees (in the following: the Involved) regularly conduct transactions in equity and other financial instruments which the data and services refer to. They do this both in their names and for their accounts as well as in the name and accounts of third parties. Should the Involved have been involved in an emission of instruments for the finance markets in the past 12 months, this is separately indicated at the corresponding place.

All rights of use for this analysis, its data and services are the property of the sentix GmbH and are copyrighted. The sentix GmbH reserves its right to inflict penalties for the unauthorised usage of data and services, especially unauthorised commercial use. Reproduction or subsequent processing of website elements, analyses, data or services in electronic, written or another form is prohibited without prior consent by the sentix GmbH. Analyses that are only available in the secure customer area may be quoted, neither in full nor in part. An exception to this are analyses, data or services which have been posted by the sentix GmbH via the press mailing list or which have been presented in another form for public propagation.

This analysis may not – either in full or in part, regardless of underlying intent – be forwarded, reproduced or published.

„sentix“ is a registered trademark of sentix Holding GmbH.

DAX, TecDAX, Xetra und Eurex have registered trademarks of the Deutsche Börse AG. Dow Jones EURO STOXX 50 is a registered trademark of the STOXX Limited. Other names of products and companies which may be mentioned on this site could also be protected or be registered trademarks of other companies.

ANALYST DECLARATION

Neither in the past, present or future is the remuneration of the author linked – either directly or indirectly – to his or her recommendations or views expressed in this context.