Morning Comment

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Positive US macro headlines

There was a more upbeat mood to market sentiment yesterday. Risk appetite was supported by a batch of better than expected US data. The positive tone was reflected in gains for equity markets on both sides of the Atlantic. In Europe, the Euro Stoxx 50 finished its session up 0.6%. Meanwhile, at the closing bell on Wall Street last night, the S&P 500 was up by 1.1% on the day.

The aforementioned US data included the first reading of Q4 GDP. It printed at 2.9% on an annualised basis, which was ahead of the 2.6% consensus forecast. Although, the breakdown of the data suggest that domestic demand was soft, with the main drivers of growth coming from inventories and external trade. In terms of the other key US macro newsflow, durable goods orders for December also surprised to the upside of expectations. However, similar to GDP, the underlying details were not as favourable as the headline reading implied. Meanwhile, the weekly jobless claims number continued yesterday's trend of consensus beating data. The core PCE measure of inflation for Q4 fell from 4.7% to 3.9%, which was slightly lower than what had been anticipated.

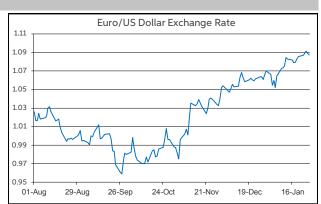
From a currency-viewpoint, the main pairs have remained confined to fairly narrow ranges over the past 24 hours. The dollar is somewhat firmer over the period. The EUR/USD pair is back trading below the \$1.09 threshold, while GBP/USD has edged back further from the \$1.24 handle. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP is operating beneath the 88p mark.

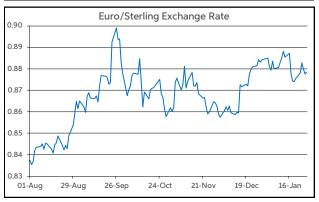
Today's macro diary is once again US centric. It includes personal income/spending/core PCE data for December. However, given that these data were already incorporated into yesterday's Q4 GDP numbers, their market impact may be limited.

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
	_	Day *	End 2022	
EUR/USD	1.087	-0.44	1.57	
EUR/GBP	0.8785	-0.20	-0.67	
GBP/USD	1.2372	-0.21	2.27	
GBP/EUR	1.1378	0.20	0.67	
USD/JPY	130.08	0.59	-0.79	
EUR/JPY	141.43	0.16	0.81	
* v Previous Day's European Open				
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Opening Interest Rates						
	_	Money Market		Swap Rates		5
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	4.375	4.55	4.80	5.00	4.46	3.69
EUR	2.50	2.06	2.46	3.28	3.25	2.91
GBP	3.50	3.82	4.10	4.53	4.25	3.83









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All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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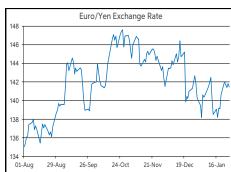


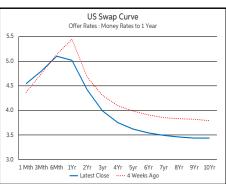
Euro	
EUR/GBP	0.8785
EUR/USD	1.087
EUR/JPY	141.43
EUR/SEK	11.197
EUR/DKK	7.437
EUR/NOK	10.7615
EUR/CHF	1.0027
EUR/AUD	1.5307
EUR/HKD	8.5134
EUR/CAD	1.4504

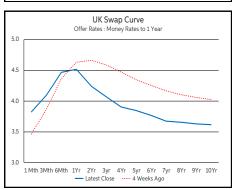
Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1378		
GBP/USD	1.2372		
GBP/CAD	1.6504		
GBP/NZD	1.9079		
GBP/JPY	160.93		
GBP/SEK	12.7444		
GBP/DKK	8.4624		
GBP/NOK	12.2532		
GBP/CHF	1.1411		
GBP/AUD	1.7423		

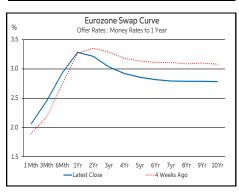
Dollar				
USD/JPY	130.08			
USD/CAD	1.3339			
USD/CHF	0.9223			
USD/CNY	6.7825			
USD/BRL	5.0658			
USD/RUB	69.2			
USD/INR	81.585			
AUD/USD	0.7099			
NZD/USD	0.6481			

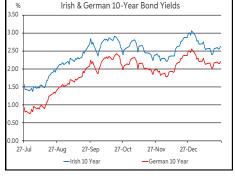












	Debt	Markets			
		Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 22	
10 Year Yield %					
US	3.51	+6	-31	-37	
Germany	2.22	+5	-25	-35	
UK	3.31	+7	-35	-36	
Ireland	2.66	+6	-30	-49	
Belgium	2.86	+7	-20	-34	
France	2.67	+7	-30	-44	
Italy	4.17	+8	-36	-53	
Spain	3.22	+7	-31	-44	
Portugal	3.11	+7	-37	-49	
Greece	4.22	-O	-35	-38	
5 Year Swap %					
US	3.62	+6	-33	-37	
Eurozone	2.86	+4	-27	-37	
UK	3.85	+6	-44	-46	
2 Year Swap %					
US	4.42	+4	-21	-26	
Eurozone	3.22	+3	-13	-17	
UK	4.24	+5	-42	-44	
10 Year Governn	nent Bond Spre	ads to Ben	chmark bps		
Ireland	44	+1	-6	-14	
Belgium	65	+1	+5	+1	
France	46	+2	-5	-9	
Italy	196	+3	-11	-19	
Spain	101	+2	-6	-9	
Portugal	90	+1	-12	-14	
Greece	200	-6	-10	-3	

Commodities				
	% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 22
Brent Oil	87.47	+1.57	+6.33	+1.82
West Texas Oil	80.64	+1.08	+2.82	+0.60
Gold \$	1929.0	-0.87	+6.29	+5.73

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