

## Dollar plunges following US tariff announcement

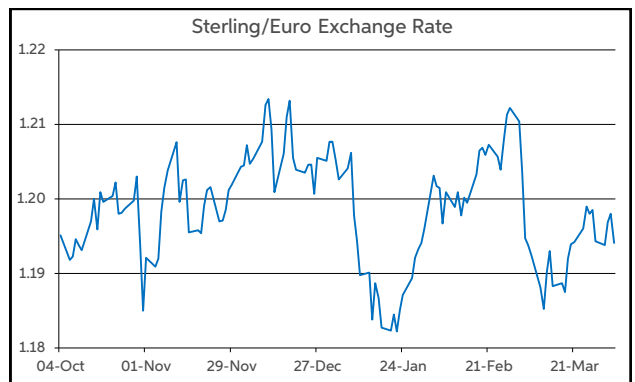
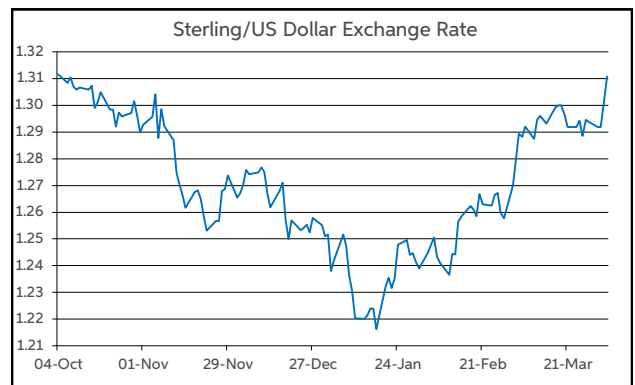
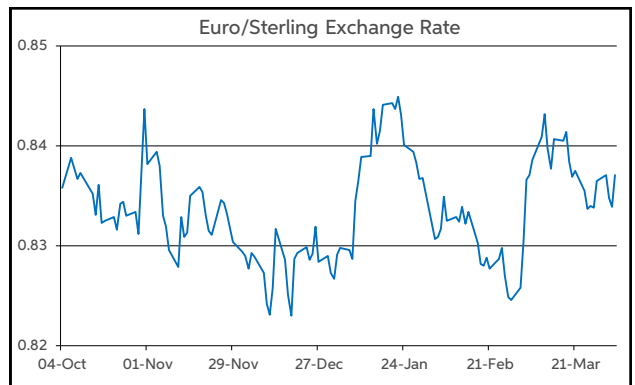
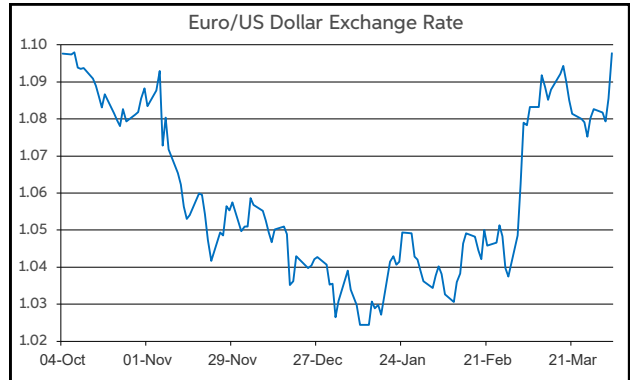
Trading conditions were relatively calm throughout the European session yesterday, as investors braced for the announcement of further tariffs by the Trump administration. A sparse data calendar also contributed to the malaise on markets. Against this backdrop, the main FX pairs continued to operate in narrow trading ranges, albeit the dollar was under some downward pressure.

After the European and US close, President Trump revealed the aforementioned tariff measures. The measures are both broader and stronger than many anticipated. A 10% universal tariff rate was introduced as well as a number of other country specific rates. The EU now faces a 20% tariff rate on its exports to the US, the UK a rate of just 10%, while Chinese goods will now have a 34% tariff rate applied to them. However, there seems to be a carve out for goods being imported from certain industries, including pharma, meaning they won't have the higher rate applied to them, for now.

In the aftermath of the announcement, the dollar's woes amplified. Overall, the greenback has shed over 1.5% versus the euro, sterling and yen since yesterday's European open. This is evidenced by EUR/USD changing hands up in the top half of \$1.09-1.10, a new year-to-date high. GBP/USD is north of the \$1.31 mark. Meantime USD/JPY is down near the ¥147 threshold. EUR/GBP is operating in the top half of the 83-84p band.

Turning to the day ahead, markets will continue to digest the US tariff newsflow, and they will be highly reactive to any retaliatory measures announced in response. On the monetary policy front, the ECB meeting account minutes from March will be released. Data-wise, the US non-manufacturing ISM (March) and the latest weekly initial jobless claims figures are due.

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Today's Opening FX Rates			
		% Change	
		Day *	End 2024
EUR/USD	1.0978	1.72	6.04
EUR/GBP	0.8371	0.23	1.18
GBP/USD	1.3107	1.47	4.76
GBP/EUR	1.194	-0.23	-1.17
USD/JPY	147.11	-1.85	-6.41
EUR/JPY	161.5	-0.18	-0.77

\* v Previous Day's European Open

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Opening Interest Rates						
Base Rate	Money Market			Swap Rates		
	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr	
USD	4.38	4.32	4.26	3.91	3.92	3.78
EUR	2.65	2.35	2.32	2.16	2.11	2.32
GBP	4.50	4.45	4.34	4.12	4.19	4.19

All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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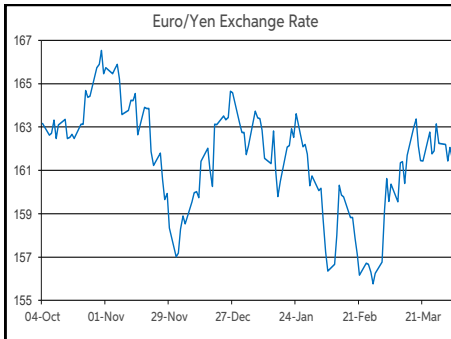
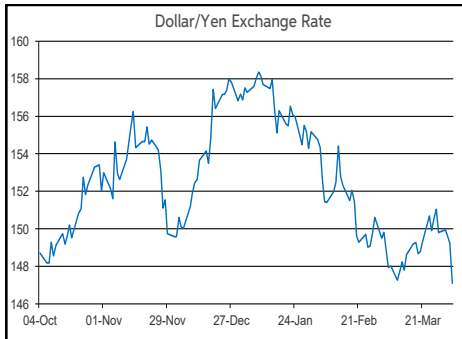
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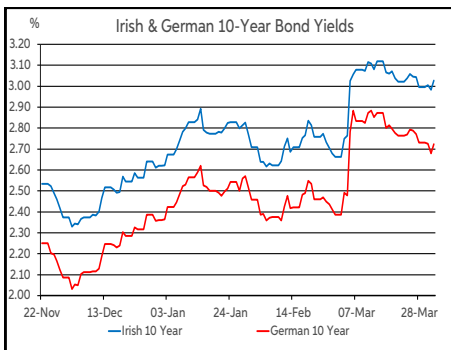
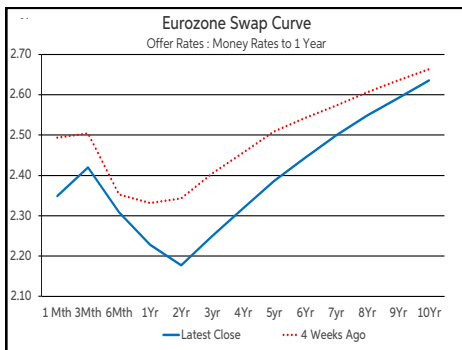
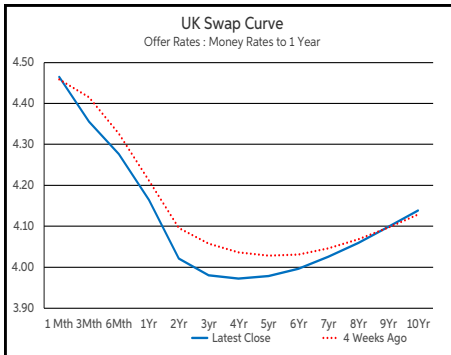
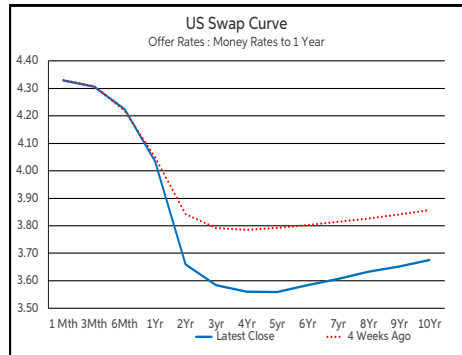
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Euro		Sterling		Dollar	
EUR/GBP	0.8371	GBP/EUR	1.194	USD/JPY	147.11
EUR/USD	1.0978	GBP/USD	1.3107	USD/CAD	1.4184
EUR/JPY	161.5	GBP/CAD	1.8588	USD/CHF	0.8706
EUR/SEK	10.7163	GBP/NZD	2.2693	USD/CNY	7.2962
EUR/DKK	7.4602	GBP/JPY	192.82	USD/BRL	5.6652
EUR/NOK	11.341	GBP/SEK	12.7886	USD/RUB	84.35
EUR/CHF	0.9558	GBP/DKK	8.9088	USD/INR	85.556
EUR/AUD	1.7409	GBP/NOK	13.532	AUD/USD	0.6304
EUR/HKD	8.5416	GBP/CHF	1.1411	NZD/USD	0.5771
EUR/CAD	1.5568	GBP/AUD	2.0779		



Debt Markets				
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24
<b>10 Year Yield %</b>				
US	4.20	+4	-7	-38
Germany	2.73	+4	-6	+36
UK	4.64	+1	-3	+7
Ireland	3.05	+4	-2	+40
Belgium	3.29	+4	-6	+30
France	3.42	+2	-6	+23
Italy	3.82	+3	-3	+30
Spain	3.34	+3	-10	+28
Portugal	3.25	+4	-5	+40
Greece	3.53	+0	-9	+28
<b>5 Year Swap %</b>				
US	3.79	-9	-27	-50
Eurozone	2.38	+2	-12	+15
UK	4.22	+0	-6	-7
<b>2 Year Swap %</b>				
US	3.95	-1	-15	-38
Eurozone	2.17	+2	-16	-2
UK	4.25	-1	-8	-24
<b>10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps</b>				
Ireland	32	+0	+4	+4
Belgium	56	-1	+0	-6
France	70	-2	-1	-13
Italy	109	-2	+3	-7
Spain	62	-2	-4	-9
Portugal	52	-0	+1	+4
Greece	80	-4	-3	-9



Commodities				
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24
Brent Oil	74.95	+0.62	+8.15	+0.42
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27
Gold \$	3133.6	+0.74	+7.36	+19.43

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