Morning Comment

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Cautious mood at the start of the week

There was a slightly cautious mood on markets at the start of the week. On equity markets, the Euro Stoxx 50 finished flat for the day. Meanwhile on Wall Street, the S&P 500 declined by a modest 0.3%. In terms of fixed income, sovereign bond yields moved 3-7bps across the board in the US, UK and Eurozone. Elsewhere, oil prices fell by circa 2.0%, with Brent crude now back below $63 per barrel.

On the data front, the macro calendar was relatively quiet. Of the limited releases to note, German industrial production printed above the consensus, increasing by 1.8% in October (+0.4% f'cast). In terms of some timelier data, the EU Sentix index improved to −6.2 in December, up from −7.4 in November (and vs. −7.0 f'cast). However, neither release had a material impact on proceedings yesterday.

Currency-wise, the main pairs continued to operate within narrow trading ranges yesterday. Amid the muted price action, the euro was under some moderate downward pressure. At the same time, the yen was also on the defensive.

In level terms, the softer tone to the euro is evidenced by EUR/USD opening this morning down in the lower half of the $1.16-1.17 trading band. EUR/GBP is changing hands back in the bottom half of the 87-88p corridor. Meanwhile, GBP/USD remains above the $1.33 threshold. USD/JPY is operating north of the ¥156 handle.

Turning to the day ahead, the data calendar is sparse once again. The main release will be the US JOLTS job openings figure for October. Around 7.15m openings are forecast, which would be the lowest level this year. Elsewhere in the US, NFIB small business optimism for November is due. However, barring any major surprises, the data may not impact the dollar. Indeed, the main FX pairs are likely to continue to range trade ahead of the Fed FOMC policy decision, due late tomorrow.

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Today's Opening FX Rates

		% Change	
		Day *	End 2024
EUR/USD	1.1641	-0.13	12.44
EUR/GBP	0.8733	-0.05	5.56
GBP/USD	1.3329	-0.06	6.54
GBP/EUR	1.1446	0.05	-5.27
USD/JPY	156.09	0.57	-0.69
EUR/JPY	181.74	0.46	11.67

* v Previous Day's European Open

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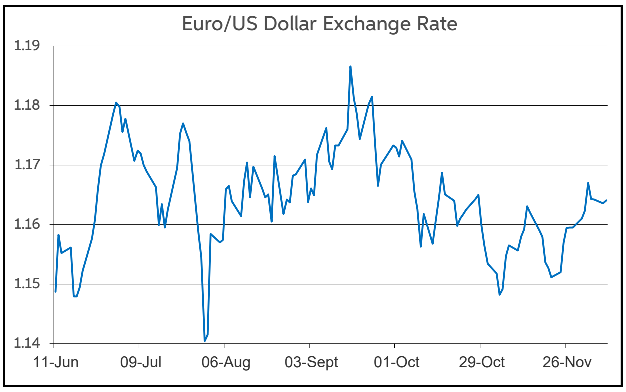
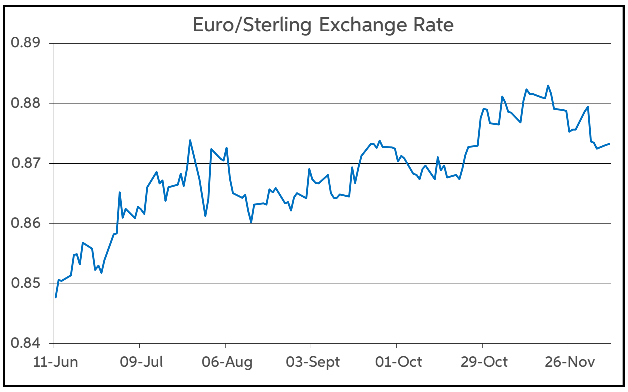
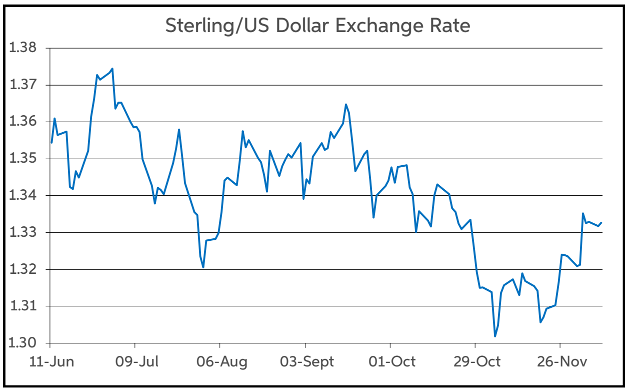
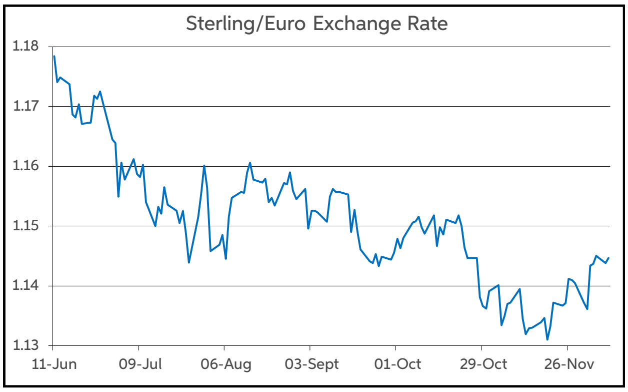
Opening Interest Rates

		Money Market		Swap Rates		
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	3.88	3.78	3.73	3.52	3.66	3.75
EUR	2.00	1.91	2.08	2.20	2.30	2.60
GBP	4.00	3.81	3.76	3.61	3.83	3.98









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Opening Levels

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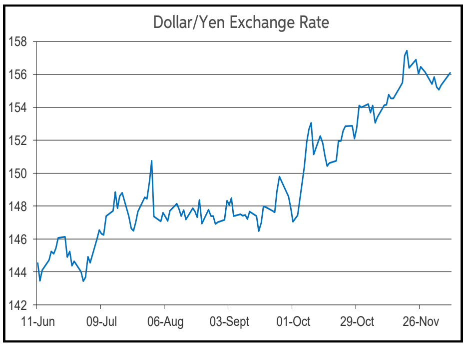
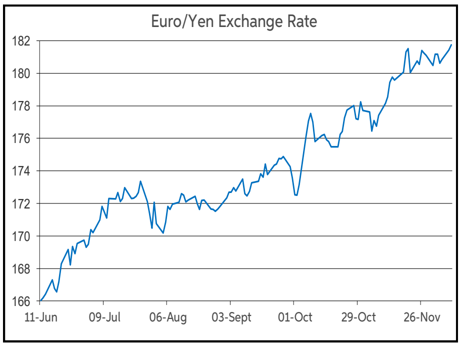
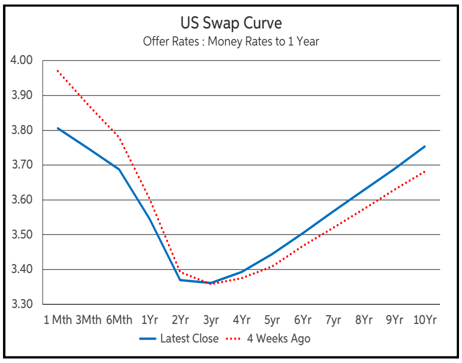
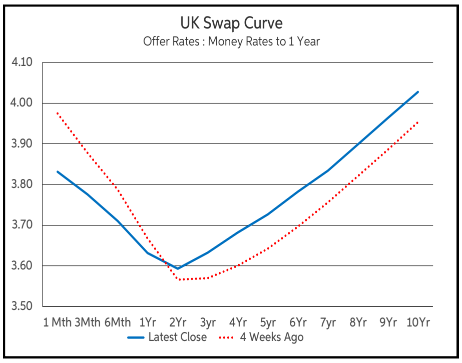
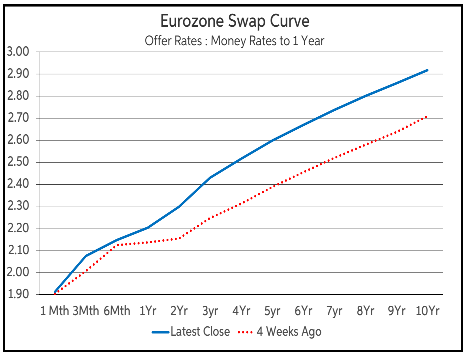
Euro		Sterling		Dollar	
EUR/GBP	0.8733	GBP/EUR	1.1446	USD/JPY	156.09
EUR/USD	1.1641	GBP/USD	1.3329	USD/CAD	1.3855
EUR/JPY	181.74	GBP/CAD	1.8464	USD/CHF	0.8062
EUR/SEK	10.9329	GBP/NZD	2.3042	USD/CNY	7.0715
EUR/DKK	7.4687	GBP/JPY	208.01	USD/BRL	5.4318
EUR/NOK	11.7943	GBP/SEK	12.5141	USD/RUB	76.7
EUR/CHF	0.9386	GBP/DKK	8.5496	USD/INR	89.982
EUR/AUD	1.7533	GBP/NOK	13.5017		
EUR/HKD	9.0584	GBP/CHF	1.0741	AUD/USD	0.664
EUR/CAD	1.6133	GBP/AUD	2.0063	NZD/USD	0.578

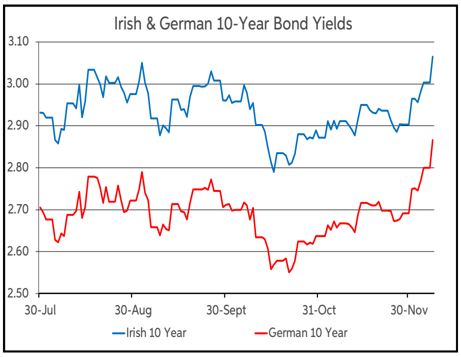












Debt Markets

	Close	Change bps Day	Change bps 4 Weeks	Change bps End 24
10 Year Yield %				
US	4.17	+3	+6	-41
Germany	2.87	+7	+20	+50
UK	4.53	+5	+6	-4
Ireland	3.07	+6	+16	+42
Belgium	3.37	+6	+17	+39
France	3.58	+5	+14	+39
Italy	3.56	+7	+15	+4
Spain	3.33	+7	+16	+27
Portugal	3.20	+7	+17	+35
Greece	3.48	+9	+17	+23
5 Year Swap %				
US	3.70	+4	+5	-59
Eurozone	2.58	+8	+21	+35
UK	3.97	+6	+8	-31
2 Year Swap %				
US	3.63	+2	-1	-70
Eurozone	2.29	+6	+14	+10
UK	3.83	+6	+2	-66
10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps				
Ireland	20	-0	-4	-9
Belgium	50	-0	-3	-12
France	72	-1	-6	-11
Italy	69	-0	-5	-46
Spain	47	+0	-4	-23
Portugal	33	+0	-3	-16
Greece	62	+2	-3	-27

Commodities

	Close	% Change Day	% Change 4 Weeks	% Change End 24
Brent Oil	62.49	-1.98	-2.45	-16.28
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27
Gold $	4188.6	-0.19	+1.77	+59.64

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