

## 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.

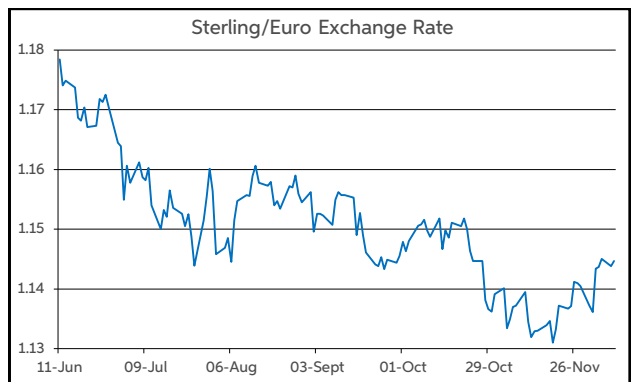
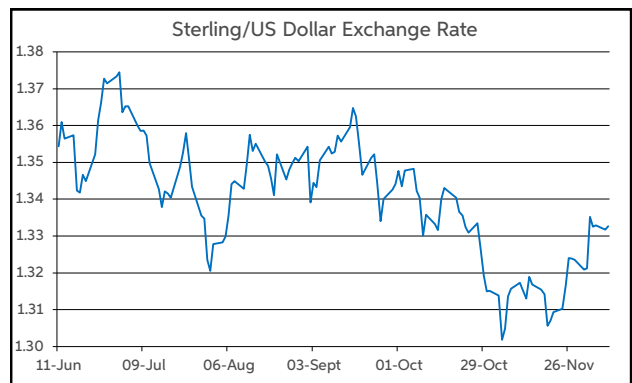
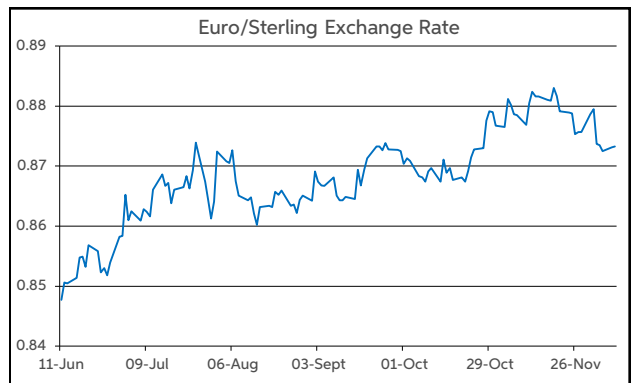
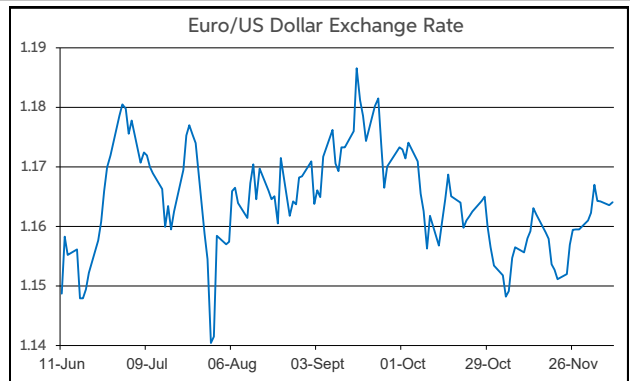
On the data front, the macro calendar was relatively quiet. Of the limited releases to note, German industrial production printed above the consensus, increasing by 1.8% in October (+0.4% f'cast). In terms of some timelier data, the EU Sentix index improved to -6.2 in December, up from -7.4 in November (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 |           |              |       |            |      |      |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------|-------|------------|------|------|
|                        | Base Rate | Money Market |       | Swap Rates |      |      |
|                        |           | 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 |

All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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# Opening Levels

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## Euro

|         |         |
|---------|---------|
| EUR/GBP | 0.8733  |
| EUR/USD | 1.1641  |
| EUR/JPY | 181.74  |
| EUR/SEK | 10.9329 |
| EUR/DKK | 7.4687  |
| EUR/NOK | 11.7943 |
| EUR/CHF | 0.9386  |
| EUR/AUD | 1.7533  |
| EUR/HKD | 9.0584  |
| EUR/CAD | 1.6133  |

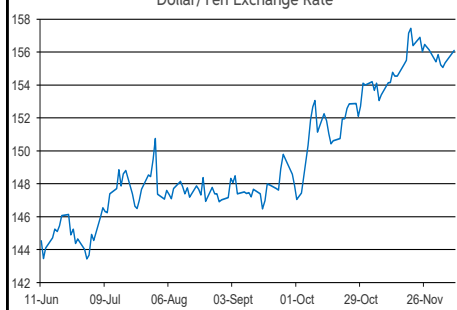
## Sterling

|         |         |
|---------|---------|
| GBP/EUR | 1.1446  |
| GBP/USD | 1.3329  |
| GBP/CAD | 1.8464  |
| GBP/NZD | 2.3042  |
| GBP/JPY | 208.01  |
| GBP/SEK | 12.5141 |
| GBP/DKK | 8.5496  |
| GBP/NOK | 13.5017 |
| GBP/CHF | 1.0741  |
| GBP/AUD | 2.0063  |

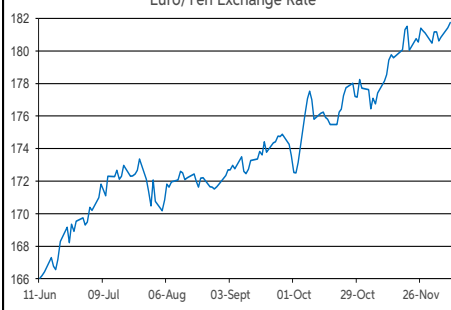
## Dollar

|         |        |
|---------|--------|
| USD/JPY | 156.09 |
| USD/CAD | 1.3855 |
| USD/CHF | 0.8062 |
| USD/CNY | 7.0715 |
| USD/BRL | 5.4318 |
| USD/RUB | 76.7   |
| USD/INR | 89.982 |
| AUD/USD | 0.664  |
| NZD/USD | 0.578  |

Dollar/Yen Exchange Rate

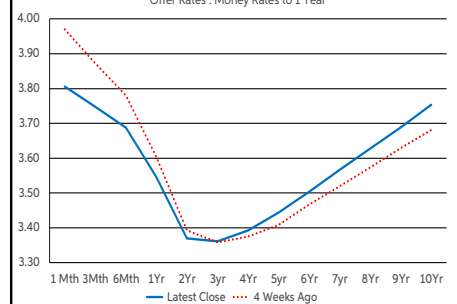


Euro/Yen Exchange Rate



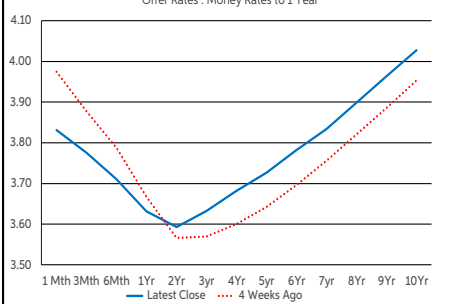
US Swap Curve

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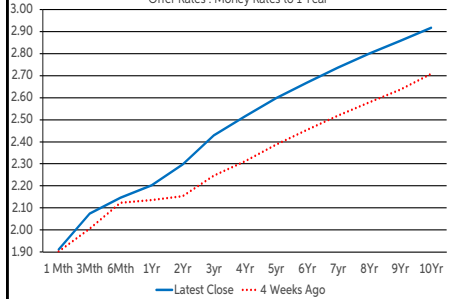
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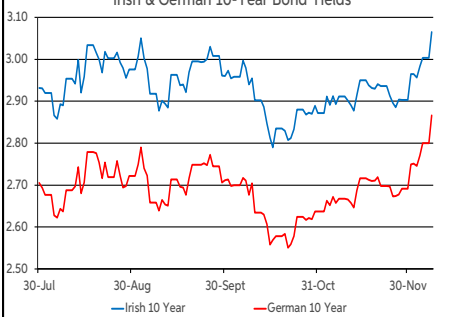


Eurozone Swap Curve

Offer Rates : Money Rates to 1 Year



Irish & German 10-Year Bond Yields



## Debt Markets

|                                                         | Close | Change bps |         |        |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-------|------------|---------|--------|
|                                                         |       | Day        | 4 Weeks | End 24 |
| <b>10 Year Yield %</b>                                  |       |            |         |        |
| US                                                      | 4.17  | +3         | +6      | -41    |
| Germany                                                 | 2.87  | +7         | +20     | +50    |
| UK                                                      | 4.53  | +5         | +6      | -4     |
| <b>5 Year Swap %</b>                                    |       |            |         |        |
| US                                                      | 3.70  | +4         | +5      | -59    |
| Eurozone                                                | 2.58  | +8         | +21     | +35    |
| UK                                                      | 3.97  | +6         | +8      | -31    |
| <b>2 Year Swap %</b>                                    |       |            |         |        |
| US                                                      | 3.63  | +2         | -1      | -70    |
| Eurozone                                                | 2.29  | +6         | +14     | +10    |
| UK                                                      | 3.83  | +6         | +2      | -66    |
| <b>10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps</b> |       |            |         |        |
| 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

|                | % Change |       |         |        |
|----------------|----------|-------|---------|--------|
|                | Close    | Day   | 4 Weeks | 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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