## **Morning Comment**

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## PMIs offer positive signs for economic rebound

There was a generally positive tone to the proceedings on financial markets yesterday. This 'risk-on' mood was in evidence on stock markets, with the main equity indices registering gains. In Europe, the Euro Stoxx 50 increased by 1.8%. At the close on Wall Street last night, the S&P 500 was up around 0.5% on the day. Meanwhile, on the currency front, the dollar was under some slight downward pressure against this backdrop.

A key factor behind the strengthening in risk appetite was the forecast beating results from the flash readings of the June PMIs from the Eurozone, UK, and US. These leading indicators offer further encouraging signs that the rebound in economic activity may be happening at a quicker pace than previously envisaged.

The softer tone to the dollar was reflected in both the euro and sterling managing to eke out some further gains against the greenback. In level terms, EUR/USD regained the \$1.13 threshold. Similarly, GBP/USD has also moved higher, with the pair back up at the \$1.25 mark.

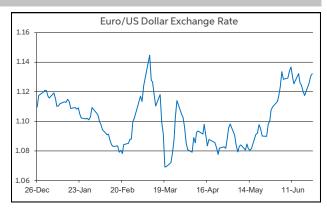
Meanwhile, the action in EUR/GBP has been once again largely uneventful over the past 24 hours. The pair continues to change hands in a relatively tight range around the midpoint of 90-91p.

Looking ahead to today, the macro data agenda is fairly sparse. We do get another important/timely survey indicator, with the German Ifo for June due. Given the consensus beating PMI data yesterday, the risk to the Ifo print are tilted to the upside. We also get updated economic forecasts from the IMF. From a currency perspective, the quiet data diary could see the main FX pairs confined to somewhat narrow ranges today.

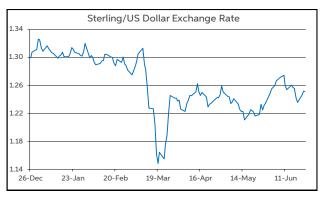
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Today's Opening FX Rates						
		% Change				
	_	Day * End 2019				
EUR/USD	1.1321	0.54	0.99			
EUR/GBP	0.9048	0.17	7.03			
GBP/USD	1.2509	0.34	-5.66			
GBP/EUR	1.1045	-0.17	-6.56			
USD/JPY	106.58	-0.51	-1.87			
EUR/JPY	120.67	0.02	-0.95			
* v Previous Day's European Open						

Opening Interest Rates						
	Money Market Swap Rates					S
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	0.125	0.18	0.30	0.28	0.26	0.39
EUR	0.00	-0.51	-0.40	-0.34	-0.35	-0.31
GBP	0.10	0.10	0.17	0.23	0.22	0.27









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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## **Opening Levels**



Euro	
EUR/GBP	0.9048
EUR/USD	1.1321
EUR/JPY	120.67
EUR/SEK	10.4929
EUR/DKK	7.4517
EUR/NOK	10.7395
EUR/CHF	1.0682
EUR/AUD	1.6303
EUR/HKD	8.7749
EUR/CAD	1.5337

Sterling				
GBP/EUR	1.1045			
GBP/USD	1.2509			
GBP/CAD	1.695			
GBP/NZD	1.9365			
GBP/JPY	133.32			
GBP/SEK	11.5874			
GBP/DKK	8.2326			
GBP/NOK	11.8648			
GBP/CHF	1.1805			
GBP/AUD	1.8019			

Dollar					
USD/JPY	106.58				
USD/CAD	1.3548				
USD/CHF	0.9435				
USD/CNY	7.0659				
USD/BRL	5.1522				
USD/RUB	68.6877				
USD/INR	75.67				
AUD/USD	0.6942				
NZD/USD	0.6459				



US Swap Curve Rates : Money Rates to 1 Year

1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr

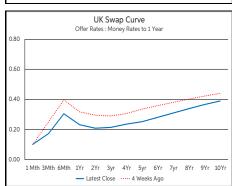
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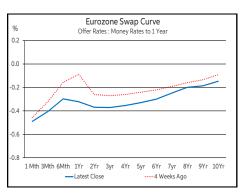
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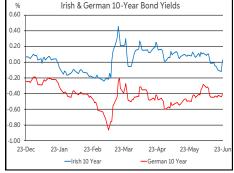
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	Debt	Markets			
		Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 19	
10 Year Yield %					
US	0.72	+0	+2	-120	
Germany	-0.41	+3	+3	-22	
UK	0.21	+2	+0	-61	
Ireland	0.06	+14	-12	-6	
Belgium	-0.09	+3	-17	-19	
France	-0.08	+3	-9	-20	
Italy	1.33	-2	-22	-9	
Spain	0.49	+2	-21	+2	
Portugal	0.50	-O	-20	+5	
Greece	1.29	-2	-36	-17	
5 Year Swap %					
US	0.36	+1	-2	-135	
Eurozone	-0.33	+1	-8	-21	
UK	0.25	+1	-7	-62	
2 Year Swap %					
US	0.23	-0	-1	-143	
Eurozone	-0.37	+0	-10	-7	
UK	0.21	+1	-8	-59	
10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps					
Ireland	46	+11	-15	+16	
Belgium	31	-O	-19	+3	
France	32	+0	-12	+1	
Italy	174	-5	-24	+13	
Spain	90	-1	-23	+24	
Portugal	90	-3	-23	+27	
Greece	170	-5	-39	+5	

Commodities							
	% Change						
	Close Day 4 Weeks End 19						
Brent Oil	42.63	-1.04	+17.86	-35.41			
West Texas Oil	40.4	-0.49	+16.43	-33.92			
Gold \$	1766.5	+0.69	+3.23	+16.45			

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