Morning Comment

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Quiet data schedule ahead

Investor sentiment continued to rebound yesterday on both sides of the Atlantic. Having initially traded in the red, the Euro Stoxx 50 erased its losses late on to finish flat for the day. Meantime, on Wall Street, the S&P 500 gained 2.3%. These moves occured amid a relatively guiet data schedule

On bond markets, US Treasury yields rose by 3-8bps along the curve. The move coincided with a modest hardening in US rate expectations. Futures pricing indicates investors have trimmed bets of a 50bps rate cut in September. Meanwhile, there is around 100bps of policy easing now priced in by year-end, compared to 110bps at the start of the week. On the data front, the only release of note yesterday was the latest reading of weekly initial jobless claims in the US. Claims printed just below the consensus, at 233k compared to 240k forecast, and down from 250k in the week prior.

Amid the hardening in US rate expectations and the improvement in the jobless claims data, the dollar strengthened yesterday. The greenback moved higher against the euro and yen. However, the euro recouped its losses versus the dollar overnight. Elsewhere, sterling was holding a firmer tone yesterday.

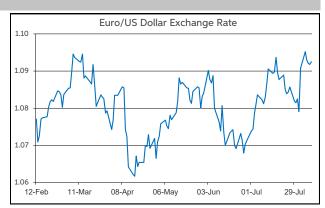
In level terms, EUR/USD opens this morning in the lower half of \$1.09-1.10, broadly unchanged from yesterday's starting point. GBP/USD is in the top half of \$1.27-1.28. EUR/GBP is back at the midpoint of 85-86p. Meanwhile, USD/JPY is up above the ¥147.

Today, the macro-calendar remains relatively quiet once again. The final reading of Italian HICP is the only release of note. It is set confirm inflation rose to 1.7% in July. However, the data are unlikely to impact the euro.

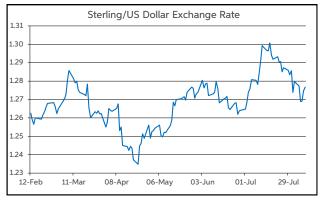
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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2023	
EUR/USD	1.0925	-0.05	-1.01	
EUR/GBP	0.8556	-0.63	-1.29	
GBP/USD	1.2764	0.54	0.27	
GBP/EUR	1.1682	0.63	1.31	
USD/JPY	147.12	0.67	4.30	
EUR/JPY	160.75	0.61	3.29	
* v Previous Day's European 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	5.38	5.44	5.37	4.60	4.13	3.79
EUR	4.25	3.59	3.57	3.13	2.75	2.51
GBP	5.00	4.94	4.91	4.50	4.33	3.95









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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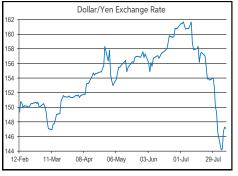
Opening Levels



0.8556
1.0925
160.75
11.4691
7.462
11.8189
0.9468
1.6553
8.5151
1.4993

Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1682		
GBP/USD	1.2764		
GBP/CAD	1.7519		
GBP/NZD	2.1183		
GBP/JPY	187.78		
GBP/SEK	13.3983		
GBP/DKK	8.7167		
GBP/NOK	13.8097		
GBP/CHF	1.106		
GBP/AUD	1.9342		

Dollar				
USD/JPY	147.12			
USD/CAD	1.3722			
USD/CHF	0.8666			
USD/CNY	7.1703			
USD/BRL	5.5473			
USD/RUB	87			
USD/INR	83.8925			
AUD/USD	0.6598			
NZD/USD	0.6025			



US Swap Curve

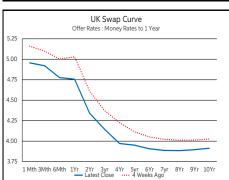
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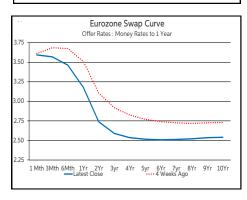
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr Latest Close ···· 4 Weeks Ago



	Debt	Markets				
			Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 23		
10 Year Yield %						
US	4.00	+3	-20	+14		
Germany	2.27	-0	-20	+24		
UK	3.98	+3	-10	+44		
Ireland	2.69	-0	-16	+32		
Belgium	2.88	+0	-16	+19		
France	3.01	-0	-12	+45		
Italy	3.70	-1	-9	+0		
Spain	3.13	-O	-11	+14		
Portugal	2.92	+0	-15	+14		
Greece	3.39	-0	-10	+32		
 5 Year Swap %						
US	3.79	+7	-32	-1		
Eurozone	2.52	+0	-25	+9		
UK	3.95	+3	-16	+30		
2 Year Swap %						
US	4.08	+5	-51	-26		
Eurozone	2.74	-0	-36	-6		
UK	4.34	+3	-26	+8		
10 Year Governme	nt Bond Spread	ls to Benchn	nark bps			
Ireland	42	+0	+4	+8		
Belgium	61	+0	+4	-5		
France	74	-0	+9	+21		
Italy	143	-1	+11	-24		
Spain	86	+0	+10	-10		
Portugal	65	+0	+5	-10		
Greece	112	+0	+10	+7		

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close Day 4 Weeks				
Brent Oil	79.16	+1.06	-7.31	+2.75	
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27	
Gold \$	2426.7	+1.90	+0.50	+17.66	

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