## **Morning Comment**

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## Dollar weaker post-US inflation update

The main focus for markets yesterday was the release of US CPI inflation data for July. This publication was under the market gaze due to it forming a key input into the Fed's policy deliberations on whether to cut rates at its next FOMC meeting in September (16th/17th). The headline number printed slightly below expectations, remaining at 2.7%, compared to a forecast for a modest rise to 2.8%. Meanwhile, the core CPI inflation measure registered a marginally higher than anticipated reading of 3.1% (vs. f'cast for 3.0%). A key area of interest in the data was regarding any signs of tariff related upward pressure on prices. The 'core goods' metric indicated there was no noticeable tariff impact.

From a currency perspective, the dollar weakened in the aftermath of the inflation data. This suggests the market had been anticipating more signs of tariff related pressures within the CPI numbers. Futures contracts also softened, with the market now assigning a 98% probability to a September rate cut (was 93% before the data). The dollar was also hampered by comments from President Trump regarding Fed Chair Powell. Elsewhere on the currency front, yesterday's early morning release of a raft of UK labour market updates for the June/July period did not generate any noteworthy reaction from sterling.

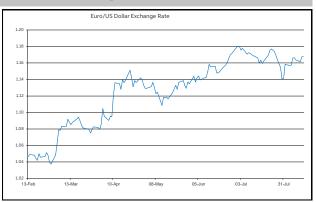
In level terms, the weaker dollar tone over the past 24 hours is evident in EUR/USD opening this morning in the upper half of \$1.16-1.17, GBP/USD up at \$1.35 and USD/JPY below ¥148. Meanwhile, EUR/GBP continues to operate in a tight range near the midpoint of 86-87p.

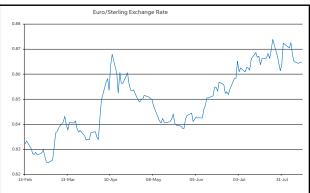
After yesterday's plethora of data, today's macro diary is very sparse, with no releases of any note due on either side of the Atlantic. Therefore, this could see the main FX pairs operate within relatively narrow ranges over the course of today.

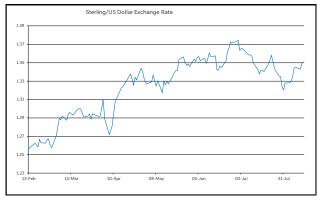
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Today's Opening FX Rates					
		% Change			
		Day *	End 2024		
EUR/USD	1.1678	0.44	12.80		
EUR/GBP	0.8646	-0.05	4.51		
GBP/USD	1.3505	0.51	7.95		
GBP/EUR	1.1563	0.05	-4.31		
USD/JPY	147.91	-0.30	-5.90		
EUR/JPY	172.76	0.16	6.15		
* v Previous Day's 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	4.38	4.35	4.20	3.80	3.78	3.74
EUR	2.00	1.90	2.03	2.08	2.10	2.37
GBP	4.00	3.96	3.96	3.79	3.91	3.99









## All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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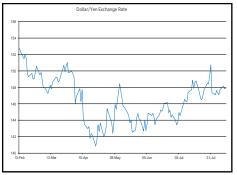
## **Opening Levels**

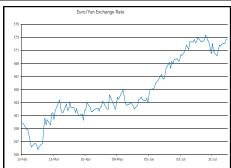


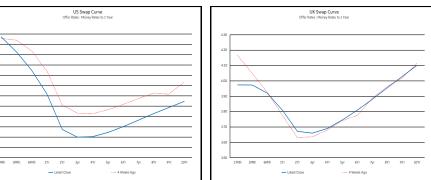
Eu	iro
EUR/GBP	0.8646
EUR/USD	1.1678
EUR/JPY	172.76
EUR/SEK	11.1469
EUR/DKK	7.4625
EUR/NOK	11.9222
EUR/CHF	0.9417
EUR/AUD	1.7877
EUR/HKD	9.1673
EUR/CAD	1.6088

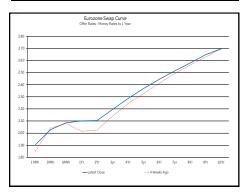
Sterling				
1.1563				
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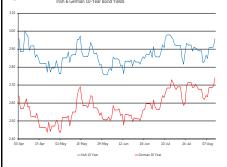
Dollar					
USD/JPY	147.91				
USD/CAD	1.3778				
USD/CHF	0.8066				
USD/CNY	7.18				
USD/BRL	5.402				
USD/RUB	79.7				
USD/INR	87.7				
AUD/USD	0.653				
NZD/USD	0.5955				











Debt Markets						
			Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24		
10 Year Yield %						
US	4.29	+2	-20	-28		
Germany	2.74	+5	+3	+38		
UK	4.63	+6	+1	+5		
Ireland	3.00	+6	+0	+35		
Belgium	3.25	+4	-1	+27		
France	3.41	+5	+0	+21		
Italy	3.56	+4	-5	+4		
Spain	3.30	+4	-2	+24		
Portugal	3.14	+4	-2	+29		
Greece	3.41	+4	+2	+16		
5 Year Swap %						
US	3.72	-1	-19	-57		
Eurozone	2.36	+2	+4	+12		
UK	3.99	+4	+1	-30		
2 Year Swap %						
US	3.72	-6	-22	-61		
Eurozone	2.09	+1	+7	-10		
UK	3.91	+2	+5	-58		
10 Year Governme	nt Bond Spread	ls to Benchr	nark bps			
Ireland	26	+1	-2	-3		
Belgium	51	-0	-4	-11		
France	67	+1	-3	-17		
Italy	81	-0	-7	-34		
Spain	56	-1	-5	-14		
Portugal	39	-1	-5	-9		
Greece	67	-1	-1	-22		

Commodities						
		% Change				
	Close Day 4 Weeks End 24					
Brent Oil	66.12	-0.77	-3.77	-11.41		
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27		
Gold \$	3345.0	+0.03	+0.69	+27.49		

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