

EUR/USD down in the lower half of \$1.16-1.17

There was a relatively quiet start to the week on financial markets yesterday, amid a sparse data calendar on both sides of the Atlantic. Indeed, the only release of note was the German Ifo survey for August. Business sentiment improved for an eighth consecutive month, to 89.0 (vs. no change 88.6 f'cast), driven by an increase in future business expectations. However, the data had no material impact on markets.

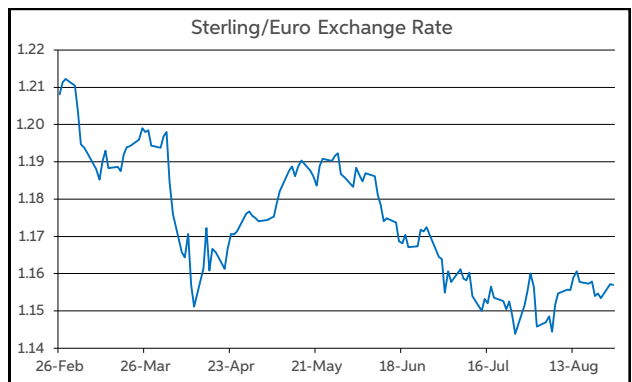
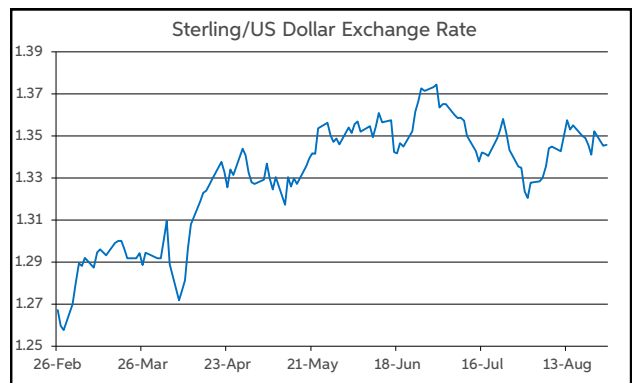
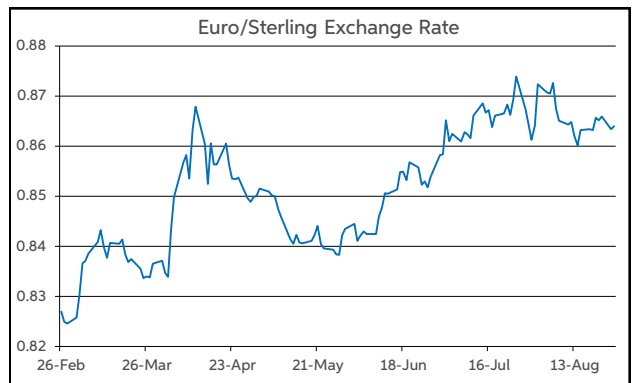
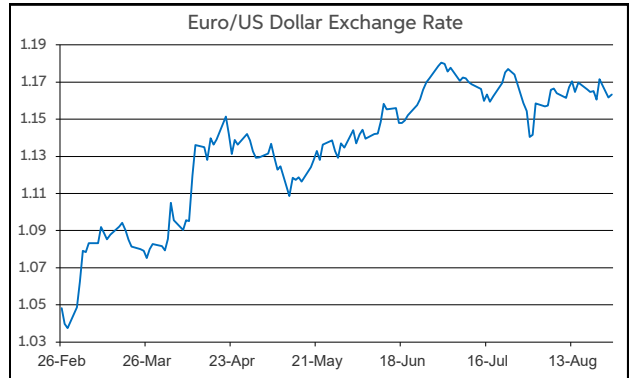
Overall there was a cautious mood on markets yesterday. This is evidenced by the Euro Stoxx 50 declining by 0.8%. Meantime, on Wall Street, the S&P 500 fell by 0.4%. In terms of fixed income, US Treasury and UK Gilt yields were little changed. In the Eurozone, German Bund yields moved circa 4bps higher, while French yields rose by around 8bps, as PM Bayrou announced he will call a no confidence vote next month, in an effort to pass a Budget containing significant spending cuts (circa €44bn).

Currency-wise, the dollar has been holding a firmer tone over the past 24 hours. However, the greenback saw some volatility overnight, briefly handing back its gains before retaking the ascendancy once again, as President Trump stated he will remove Governor Cook from the Fed. However, it remains unclear if he has the authority to do so. At the same time, the euro has been under some downward pressure amid political developments in France.

As trading gets underway this morning, the firmer dollar and weaker euro sees EUR/USD open down in the lower half of \$1.16-1.17. GBP/USD is back near the midpoint of \$1.34-1.35. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP is just below the halfway mark of 86-87p.

Today, the only data release of note will be US consumer confidence for August. Meantime, political developments in France and Governor Cooks position at the Fed will remain in focus.

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Today's Opening FX Rates			
		% Change	
		Day *	End 2024
EUR/USD	1.1633	-0.62	12.36
EUR/GBP	0.864	-0.24	4.44
GBP/USD	1.3458	-0.37	7.57
GBP/EUR	1.1567	0.24	-4.25
USD/JPY	147.8	0.39	-5.97
EUR/JPY	171.95	-0.23	5.65

* 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	4.38	4.31	4.20	3.79	3.75	3.73
EUR	2.00	1.89	2.02	2.07	2.10	2.37
GBP	4.00	3.96	3.96	3.85	4.01	4.08

All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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Opening Levels

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Euro

EUR/GBP	0.864
EUR/USD	1.1633
EUR/JPY	171.95
EUR/SEK	11.1367
EUR/DKK	7.4644
EUR/NOK	11.7708
EUR/CHF	0.9369
EUR/AUD	1.7955
EUR/HKD	9.0838
EUR/CAD	1.6112

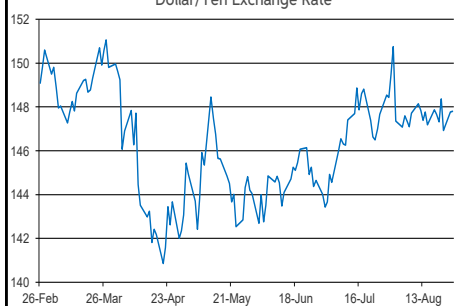
Sterling

GBP/EUR	1.1567
GBP/USD	1.3458
GBP/CAD	1.864
GBP/NZD	2.3034
GBP/JPY	198.88
GBP/SEK	12.8822
GBP/DKK	8.6333
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GBP/CHF	1.0838
GBP/AUD	2.0768

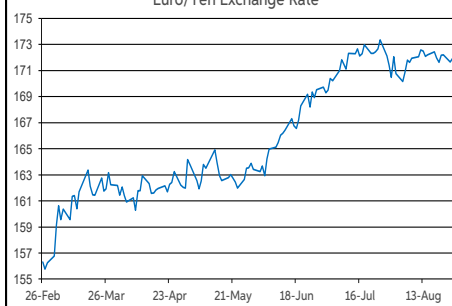
Dollar

USD/JPY	147.8
USD/CAD	1.3851
USD/CHF	0.8053
USD/CNY	7.1531
USD/BRL	5.4101
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USD/INR	87.706
AUD/USD	0.6477
NZD/USD	0.5839

Dollar/Yen Exchange Rate

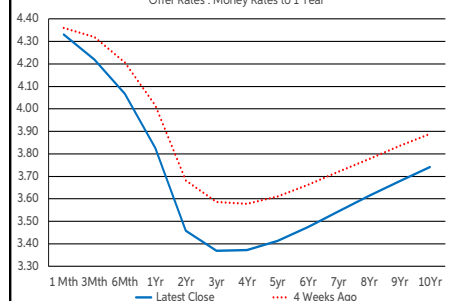


Euro/Yen Exchange Rate



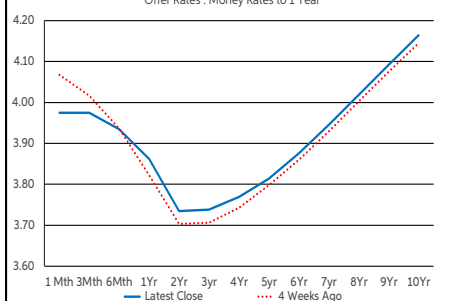
US Swap Curve

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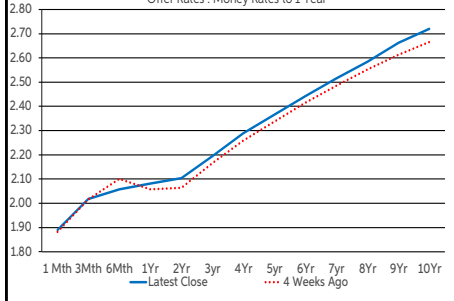
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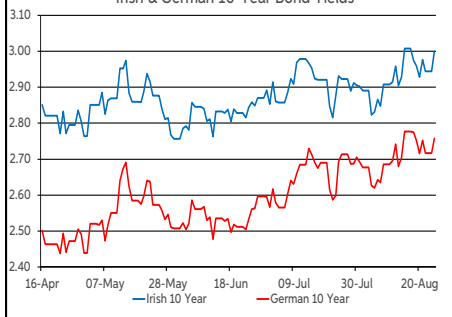


Eurozone Swap Curve

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Irish & German 10-Year Bond Yields



Debt Markets

	Close	Change bps		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 24
10 Year Yield %				
US	4.28	+2	-15	-30
Germany	2.76	+4	+7	+39
UK	4.69	-4	+3	+12
Ireland	3.02	+1	+9	+37
Belgium	3.32	+7	+11	+34
France	3.50	+8	+15	+31
Italy	3.62	+7	+9	+10
Spain	3.37	+7	+9	+30
Portugal	3.19	+6	+8	+34
Greece	3.46	+3	+8	+21
5 Year Swap %				
US	3.67	-1	-18	-62
Eurozone	2.36	+4	+3	+12
UK	4.03	-2	+0	-25
2 Year Swap %				
US	3.70	+1	-22	-63
Eurozone	2.10	+2	+4	-9
UK	3.97	-0	+5	-52
10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps				
Ireland	26	-3	+2	-3
Belgium	57	+3	+4	-5
France	74	+5	+8	-9
Italy	86	+3	+2	-30
Spain	61	+3	+2	-9
Portugal	43	+2	+1	-5
Greece	70	-1	+1	-18

Commodities

	Close	% Change		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 24
Brent Oil	68.8	+1.58	-1.77	-7.82
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27
Gold \$	3366.2	-0.16	+1.58	+28.30

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