Morning Comment

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US CPI inflation data in focus today

There was a mixed tone to investor sentiment yesterday. This was reflected in the performance of some of the main equity indices. There was a cautious mood on European markets. The Euro Stoxx 50 fell by 0.5%. Meanwhile, on Wall Street, the tone was more upbeat during the US trading session. At the closing bell last night, the S&P 500 was up by 1.4% on the day.

Data-wise, the Eurozone and US calendars were very quiet yesterday. Indeed, the only data print of note was the early morning release of UK GDP for October. It printed slightly ahead of expectations, but did not generate any noticeable market reaction.

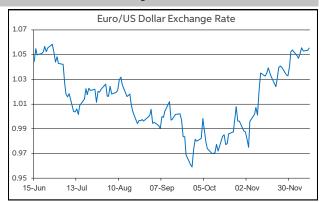
From a currency viewpoint, the action over the past 24 hours has been confined to relatively tight ranges. Of the limited moves to register, the dollar has been slightly softer versus sterling and the euro. In level terms, EUR/USD opens this morning up at the midpoint of \$1.05-1.06. Meantime, GBP/USD has moved higher, into the upper half of \$1.22-1.23. Elsewhere, on the currency front, EUR/GBP remains near to, but below, the 86p threshold.

Already this morning we have got a batch of UK labour market data. This included the unemployment rate for the three months to October. It edged slightly higher to 3.7%, which was in line with expectations. Later today, we get the main data highlight with US CPI inflation for November. This is the last key US data release before the Fed concludes its policy deliberations tomorrow evening. The lower than forecast October reading of 7.7% prompted strong gains on equity markets and a notable weakening of the dollar. The market consensus is for inflation to ease again, to 7.3%.

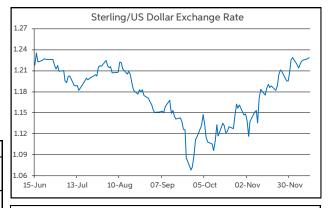
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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
	_	Day *	End 2021	
EUR/USD	1.0553	0.37	-7.17	
EUR/GBP	0.8583	-0.19	2.18	
GBP/USD	1.2291	0.54	-9.15	
GBP/EUR	1.1644	0.19	-2.13	
USD/JPY	137.46	0.34	19.45	
EUR/JPY	145.07	0.70	10.85	
* v Previous Day's European 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	3.875	4.29	4.75	5.12	4.67	3.82
EUR	2.00	1.61	2.01	2.87	2.95	2.73
GBP	3.00	3.47	3.80	4.64	4.57	4.04









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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Opening Levels



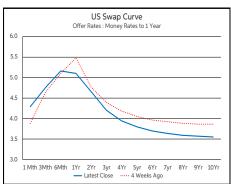
Euro)
EUR/GBP	0.8583
EUR/USD	1.0553
EUR/JPY	145.07
EUR/SEK	10.8794
EUR/DKK	7.4369
EUR/NOK	10.5077
EUR/CHF	0.9863
EUR/AUD	1.558
EUR/HKD	8.2035
EUR/CAD	1.4368

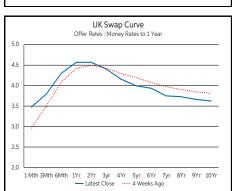
Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1644		
GBP/USD	1.229		
GBP/CAD	1.6736		
GBP/NZD	1.92		
GBP/JPY	168.93		
GBP/SEK	12.673		
GBP/DKK	8.6611		
GBP/NOK	12.2467		
GBP/CHF	1.1488		
GBP/AUD	1.8146		

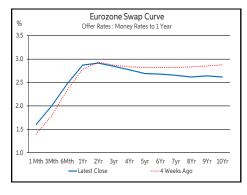
Dollar				
USD/JPY	137.45			
USD/CAD	1.3614			
USD/CHF	0.9346			
USD/CNY	6.9777			
USD/BRL	5.3226			
USD/RUB	63.15			
USD/INR	82.697			
AUD/USD	0.6773			
NZD/USD	0.6399			













Debt Markets						
			Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 21		
10 Year Yield %						
US	3.62	+3	-25	+211		
Germany	1.94	+1	-22	+211		
UK	3.20	+2	-15	+223		
Ireland	2.41	+2	-28	+216		
Belgium	2.52	+3	-22	+234		
France	2.41	+2	-24	+222		
Italy	3.84	+2	-33	+265		
Spain	2.98	+3	-23	+238		
Portugal	2.88	+2	-29	+239		
Greece	3.96	-3	-37	+264		
5 Year Swap %						
US	3.80	+2	-21	+247		
Eurozone	2.69	+4	-12	+268		
UK	3.99	-1	-20	+272		
2 Year Swap %						
US	4.66	+3	-6	+371		
Eurozone	2.92	+5	-1	+322		
UK	4.57	+7	+8	+338		
10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps						
Ireland	47	+1	-6	+4		
Belgium	58	+1	+1	+23		
France	48	+1	-2	+11		
Italy	190	+1	-11	+54		
Spain	104	+1	-1	+27		
Portugal	94	+1	-6	+28		
Greece	202	-4	-15	+53		

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close Day 4 Weeks E			End 21	
Brent Oil	77.99	+2.48	-16.27	+0.27	
West Texas Oil	72.96	+2.69	-15.01	-3.15	
Gold \$	1781.2	-0.86	+0.53	-2.58	

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