

Marginally firmer tone to the dollar

There was a cautious mood on markets at the start of the week, as investors continued to assess Friday's US Supreme Court ruling and subsequent announcements from President Trump regarding a new global tariff rate of 10-15%. Against that backdrop, the S&P 500 declined by 1.0%. Elsewhere, the Euro Stoxx 50 edged 0.3% lower. Meantime benchmark sovereign bond yields fell by 2-6bps in the US, Eurozone and the UK.

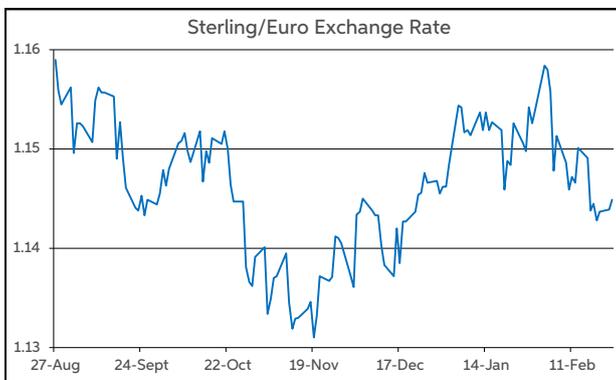
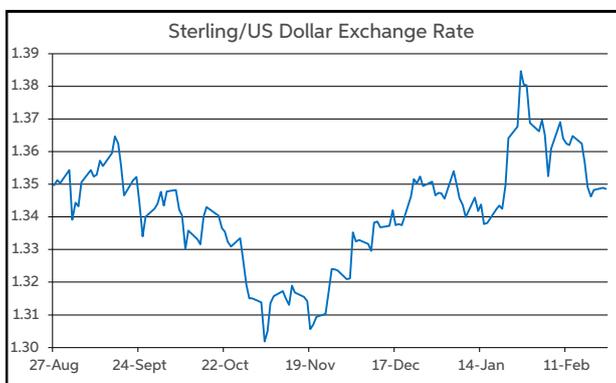
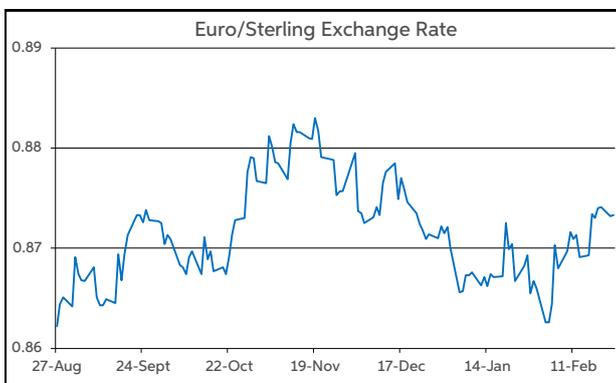
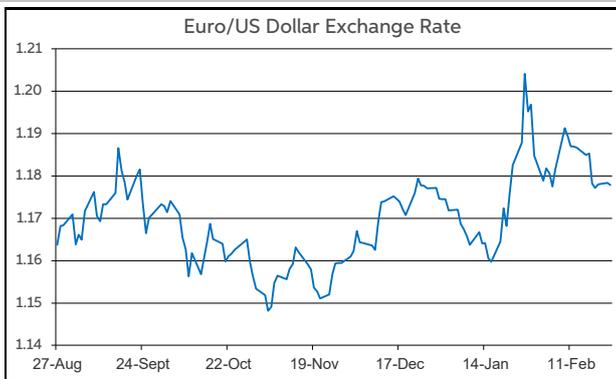
On the data front, the calendar was quite sparse yesterday. The only release of note, the German Ifo, improved and printed a touch above the consensus in February (88.6 vs. 88.4 f'cast). However, the data had no discernible impact on the euro yesterday.

Currency-wise, the main pairs were largely range bound. Of the muted moves to register, the dollar was in the ascendancy. However, the greenback handed back most of its initial gains before the European close, amid remarks from Fed Governor Waller, who noted that conditions in the US labour market remain fragile. Overnight though, the dollar was on the front foot once more. It has gained circa 0.2-0.4% versus the euro, sterling and yen in the past 24 hours.

In level terms, the marginally firmer tone to the dollar is evidenced by EUR/USD opening this morning back under the \$1.18 threshold. GBP/USD is changing hands down below the \$1.35 handle. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP remains in the lower half of the 87-88p corridor. USD/JPY is above the ¥155 mark.

Turning to the day ahead, the data schedule is quiet once again. The highlight today will be the Conference Board measure of US consumer confidence for February. A modest improvement from a very low level is forecast. Meanwhile, remarks from Governor Bailey and other members of the BoE Monetary Policy Committee at the UK Treasury Select Committee, will also warrant attention.

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Today's Opening FX Rates			
		% Change	
		Day *	End 2025
EUR/USD	1.1779	-0.34	0.29
EUR/GBP	0.8731	-0.11	0.18
GBP/USD	1.3486	-0.24	0.10
GBP/EUR	1.1447	0.11	-0.18
USD/JPY	155.03	0.39	-1.03
EUR/JPY	182.64	0.05	-0.73

* 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	3.63	3.66	3.66	3.45	3.55	3.58
EUR	2.00	1.94	2.02	2.16	2.19	2.40
GBP	3.75	3.68	3.57	3.41	3.64	3.82

All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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Euro

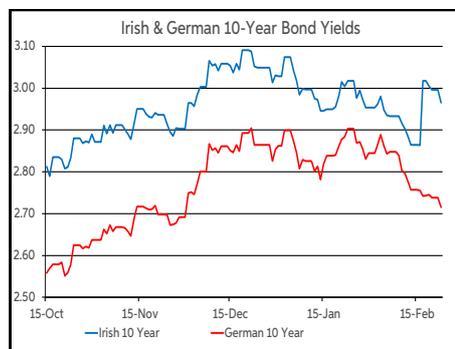
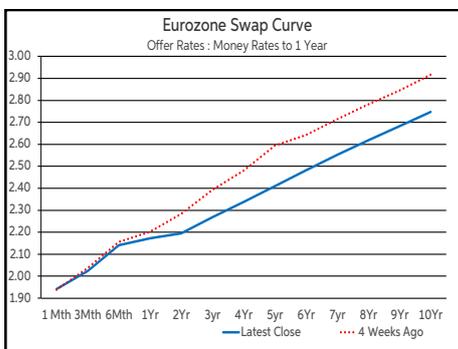
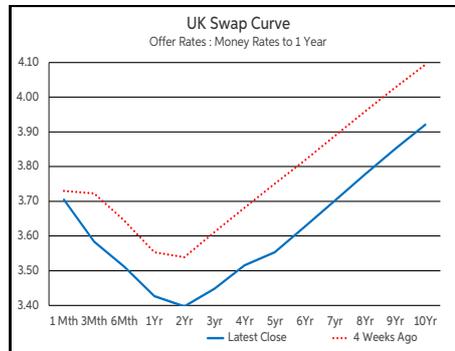
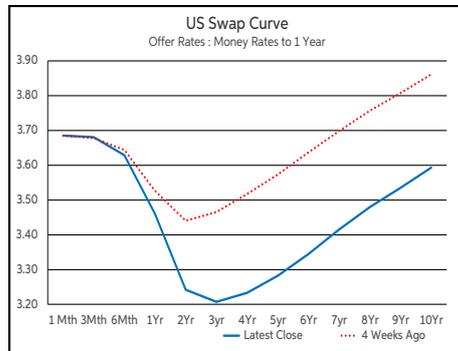
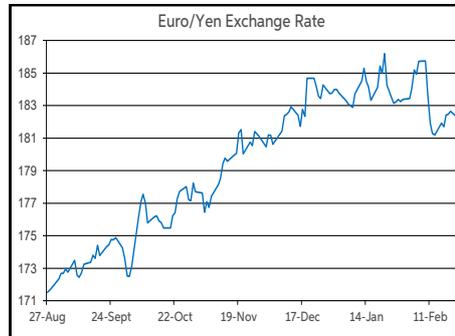
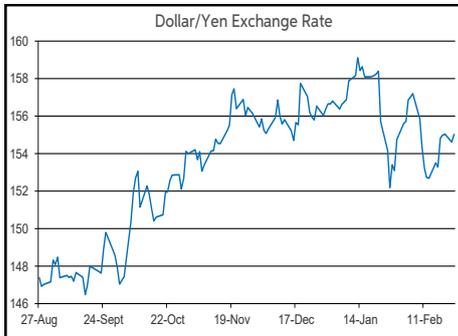
EUR/GBP	0.8731
EUR/USD	1.1779
EUR/JPY	182.64
EUR/SEK	10.6785
EUR/DKK	7.4708
EUR/NOK	11.2718
EUR/CHF	0.9134
EUR/AUD	1.6672
EUR/HKD	9.2136
EUR/CAD	1.6134

Sterling

GBP/EUR	1.1447
GBP/USD	1.3486
GBP/CAD	1.8472
GBP/NZD	2.2615
GBP/JPY	209.07
GBP/SEK	12.2271
GBP/DKK	8.5511
GBP/NOK	12.906
GBP/CHF	1.046
GBP/AUD	1.9087

Dollar

USD/JPY	155.03
USD/CAD	1.37
USD/CHF	0.7754
USD/CNY	6.8945
USD/BRL	5.1718
USD/RUB	76.8
USD/INR	90.959
AUD/USD	0.7063
NZD/USD	0.596



Debt Markets

	Close	Change bps		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 25
10 Year Yield %				
US	4.03	-6	-18	-13
Germany	2.72	-2	-15	-15
UK	4.31	-4	-19	-16
5 Year Swap %				
US	3.56	-6	-25	-17
Eurozone	2.39	-3	-16	-17
UK	3.81	-3	-19	-9
2 Year Swap %				
US	3.51	-4	-17	-6
Eurozone	2.18	-2	-7	-8
UK	3.63	-2	-16	-10
10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps				
Ireland	25	-1	+14	+8
Belgium	39	+0	-1	-9
France	56	+0	-1	-13
Italy	61	+0	+1	-4
Spain	41	+0	+5	-2
Portugal	36	+1	-0	+6
Greece	62	+2	+14	+1

Commodities

	Close	% Change		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 25
Brent Oil	71.49	-0.38	+9.00	+17.49
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27
Gold \$	5231.2	+2.50	+4.33	+21.26

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