Morning Comment

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Positive US macro headlines

There was a more upbeat mood to market sentiment yesterday. Risk appetite was supported by a batch of better than expected US data. The positive tone was reflected in gains for equity markets on both sides of the Atlantic. In Europe, the Euro Stoxx 50 finished its session up 0.6%. Meanwhile, at the closing bell on Wall Street last night, the S&P 500 was up by 1.1% on the day.

The aforementioned US data included the first reading of Q4 GDP. It printed at 2.9% on an annualised basis, which was ahead of the 2.6% consensus forecast. Although, the breakdown of the data suggest that domestic demand was soft, with the main drivers of growth coming from inventories and external trade. In terms of the other key US macro newsflow, durable goods orders for December also surprised to the upside of expectations. However, similar to GDP, the underlying details were not as favourable as the headline reading implied. Meanwhile, the weekly jobless claims number continued yesterday's trend of consensus beating data. The core PCE measure of inflation for Q4 fell from 4.7% to 3.9%, which was slightly lower than what had been anticipated.

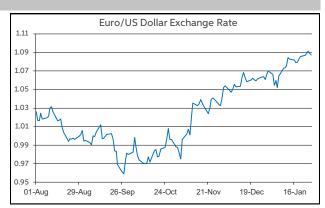
From a currency-viewpoint, the main pairs have remained confined to fairly narrow ranges over the past 24 hours. The dollar is somewhat firmer over the period. The EUR/USD pair is back trading below the \$1.09 threshold, while GBP/USD has edged back further from the \$1.24 handle. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP is operating beneath the 88p mark.

Today's macro diary is once again US centric. It includes personal income/spending/core PCE data for December. However, given that these data were already incorporated into yesterday's Q4 GDP numbers, their market impact may be limited.

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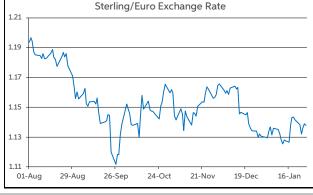
| Today's Opening FX Rates | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--------|----------|----------|--|
| | | % Change | | |
| | _ | Day * | End 2022 | |
| EUR/USD | 1.087 | -0.44 | 1.57 | |
| EUR/GBP | 0.8785 | -0.20 | -0.67 | |
| GBP/USD | 1.2372 | -0.21 | 2.27 | |
| GBP/EUR | 1.1378 | 0.20 | 0.67 | |
| USD/JPY | 130.08 | 0.59 | -0.79 | |
| EUR/JPY | 141.43 | 0.16 | 0.81 | |
| * 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 | 4.375 | 4.55 | 4.80 | 5.00 | 4.46 | 3.69 |
| EUR | 2.50 | 2.06 | 2.46 | 3.28 | 3.25 | 2.91 |
| GBP | 3.50 | 3.82 | 4.10 | 4.53 | 4.25 | 3.83 |









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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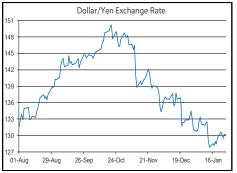
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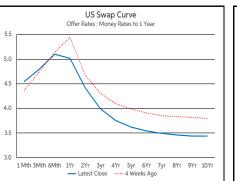
| Euro | |
|---------|---------|
| EUR/GBP | 0.8785 |
| EUR/USD | 1.087 |
| EUR/JPY | 141.43 |
| EUR/SEK | 11.197 |
| EUR/DKK | 7.437 |
| EUR/NOK | 10.7615 |
| EUR/CHF | 1.0027 |
| EUR/AUD | 1.5307 |
| EUR/HKD | 8.5134 |
| EUR/CAD | 1.4504 |

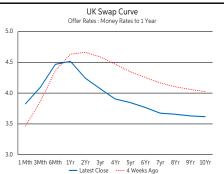
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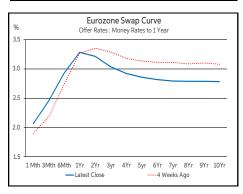
| Dollar | | | | |
|---------|--------|--|--|--|
| USD/JPY | 130.08 | | | |
| USD/CAD | 1.3339 | | | |
| USD/CHF | 0.9223 | | | |
| USD/CNY | 6.7825 | | | |
| USD/BRL | 5.0658 | | | |
| USD/RUB | 69.2 | | | |
| USD/INR | 81.585 | | | |
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| AUD/USD | 0.7099 | | | |
| NZD/USD | 0.6481 | | | |
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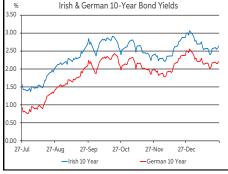












| | Debt | Markets | | | |
|-------------------|----------------|------------|------------|--------|--|
| | | Change bps | | | |
| | Close | Day | 4 Weeks | End 22 | |
| 10 Year Yield % | | | | | |
| US | 3.51 | +6 | -31 | -37 | |
| Germany | 2.22 | +5 | -25 | -35 | |
| UK | 3.31 | +7 | -35 | -36 | |
| Ireland | 2.66 | +6 | -30 | -49 | |
| Belgium | 2.86 | +7 | -20 | -34 | |
| France | 2.67 | +7 | -30 | -44 | |
| Italy | 4.17 | +8 | -36 | -53 | |
| Spain | 3.22 | +7 | -31 | -44 | |
| Portugal | 3.11 | +7 | -37 | -49 | |
| Greece | 4.22 | -O | -35 | -38 | |
| 5 Year Swap % | | | | | |
| US | 3.62 | +6 | -33 | -37 | |
| Eurozone | 2.86 | +4 | -27 | -37 | |
| UK | 3.85 | +6 | -44 | -46 | |
| 2 Year Swap % | | | | | |
| US | 4.42 | +4 | -21 | -26 | |
| Eurozone | 3.22 | +3 | -13 | -17 | |
| UK | 4.24 | +5 | -42 | -44 | |
| 10 Year Governm | nent Bond Spre | ads to Ben | chmark bps | | |
| Ireland | 44 | +1 | -6 | -14 | |
| Belgium | 65 | +1 | +5 | +1 | |
| France | 46 | +2 | -5 | -9 | |
| Italy | 196 | +3 | -11 | -19 | |
| Spain | 101 | +2 | -6 | -9 | |
| Portugal | 90 | +1 | -12 | -14 | |
| Greece | 200 | -6 | -10 | -3 | |

| Commodities | | | | | | |
|----------------|---------------------|----------|-------|-------|--|--|
| | | % Change | | | | |
| | Close Day 4 Weeks E | | | | | |
| Brent Oil | 87.47 | +1.57 | +6.33 | +1.82 | | |
| West Texas Oil | 80.64 | +1.08 | +2.82 | +0.60 | | |
| Gold\$ | 1929.0 | -0.87 | +6.29 | +5.73 | | |

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