Morning Comment

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Busy UK data calendar this week

There was a somewhat cautious tone for parts of last week on financial markets. Overall though, equity markets registered some gains, with the Euro Stoxx 50 up 0.5%, while the S&P 500 rose by 1.3%. Elsewhere, oil prices fell sharply, by over 5% on the week, with Brent crude falling to just below \$81 per barrel.

Meantime on bond markets, trading conditions remained choppy. The policy sensitive US 2-year yields rose by circa 20bps on the week. The move coincided with hawkish remarks from Fed Chair Powell, and an unexpected increase in US consumer inflation expectations. Elsewhere, the German 2-year yield finished the week up 10bps amid some hawkish comments from ECB President Lagarde. UK Gilt yields were little changed on the week.

Currency-wise, sterling and the yen were under some downward pressure last week. At the same time, the dollar was holding a firmer tone amid US Treasury yields rising by more than elsewhere.

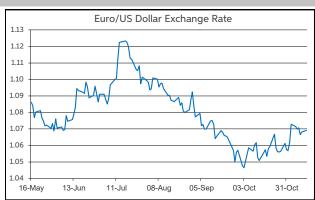
As trading gets underway this morning, GBP/USD opens back in the lower half of the \$1.22-1.23 corridor. EUR/GBP is operating up above the 87p threshold. Meanwhile, EUR/USD is trading just below the \$1.07 mark. EUR/JPY is changing hands north of the \$162 handle.

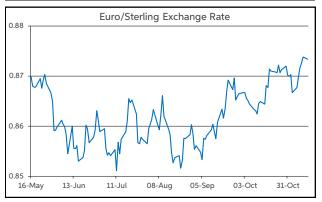
Turning to the week ahead, a busy UK data schedule includes updates on the labour market (Sep), as well as inflation and retail sales (both Oct). In the US, the latest CPI inflation and retail sales figures will feature, as will industrial production (all Oct). In the Eurozone, industrial production (Sept) will be the highlight. A number of central bank speakers and efforts to avert a US Government shutdown may also impact sentiment this week.

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2022	
EUR/USD	1.0691	0.22	-0.10	
EUR/GBP	0.8735	0.11	-1.23	
GBP/USD	1.2238	0.11	1.17	
GBP/EUR	1.1445	-0.11	1.25	
USD/JPY	151.72	0.22	15.72	
EUR/JPY	162.24	0.46	15.64	
* 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	5.38	5.44	5.64	5.61	5.18	4.67
EUR	4.50	3.83	3.99	3.98	3.57	3.20
GBP	5.25	5.18	5.22	5.21	5.10	4.61









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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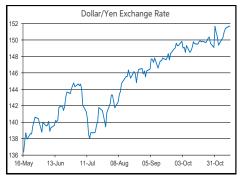
Opening Levels



Euro)
EUR/GBP	0.8735
EUR/USD	1.0691
EUR/JPY	162.24
EUR/SEK	11.6638
EUR/DKK	7.4583
EUR/NOK	11.8854
EUR/CHF	0.9637
EUR/AUD	1.6793
EUR/HKD	8.3514
EUR/CAD	1.476

Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1445		
GBP/USD	1.2238		
GBP/CAD	1.6894		
GBP/NZD	2.0763		
GBP/JPY	185.67		
GBP/SEK	13.3487		
GBP/DKK	8.5348		
GBP/NOK	13.6014		
GBP/CHF	1.1032		
GBP/AUD	1.9221		

Dollar				
USD/JPY	151.72			
USD/CAD	1.3804			
USD/CHF	0.9014			
USD/CNY	7.298			
USD/BRL	4.9013			
USD/RUB	92.335			
USD/INR	83.3075			
AUD/USD	0.6366			
NZD/USD	0.5891			



US Swap Curve

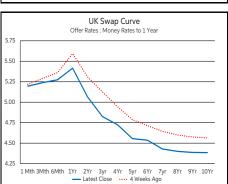
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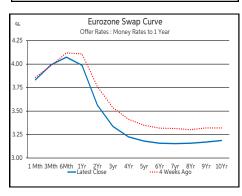
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr
— Latest Close ---- 4 Weeks Ago



	Debt	Markets				
			Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 22		
10 Year Yield %						
US	4.65	+1	+3	+77		
Germany	2.71	+6	-2	+15		
UK	4.33	+6	-6	+67		
Ireland	3.14	+7	-4	-0		
Belgium	3.33	+3	-9	+13		
France	3.30	+7	-2	+19		
Italy	4.58	+7	-20	-13		
Spain	3.77	+7	-11	+11		
Portugal	3.44	+4	-4	-16		
Greece	3.98	+7	-30	-61		
 5 Year Swap %						
US	4.65	+4	-1	+65		
Eurozone	3.18	+7	-16	-5		
UK	4.56	+8	-18	+25		
2 Year Swap %						
US	5.16	+4	-3	+48		
Eurozone	3.56	+5	-19	+18		
UK	5.06	+5	-24	+38		
 10 Year Governme	nt Bond Spread	s to Benchr	nark bps			
Ireland	43	+1	-2	-15		
Belgium	62	-2	-6	-2		
France	59	+1	+0	+4		
Italy	187	+1	-18	-27		
Spain	106	+2	-9	-3		
Portugal	73	-2	-2	-31		
Greece	127	+1	-27	-76		

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close Day 4 Weeks End				
Brent Oil	81.43	+1.77	-10.41	-5.21	
West Texas Oil	76.34	+0.65	-12.92	-4.77	
Gold \$	1936.8	-1.09	+0.26	+6.16	

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