

Main FX pairs tightly range bound

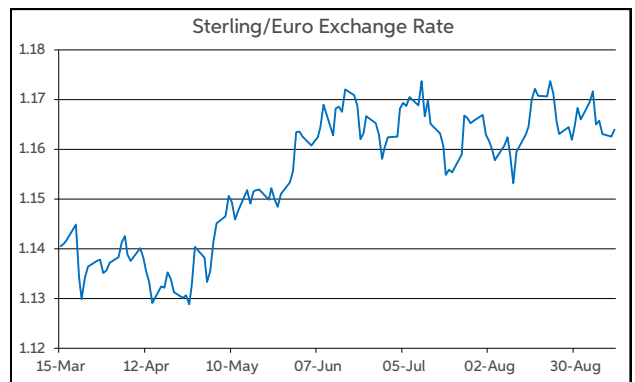
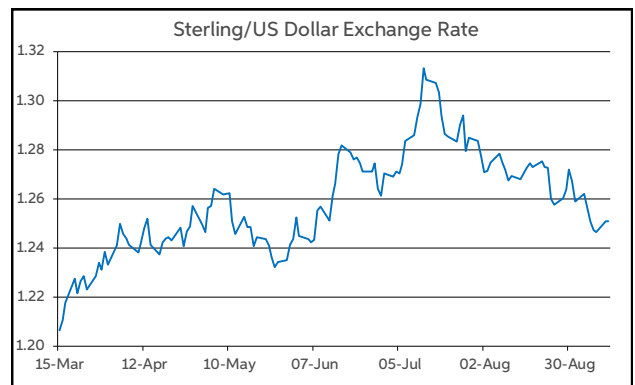
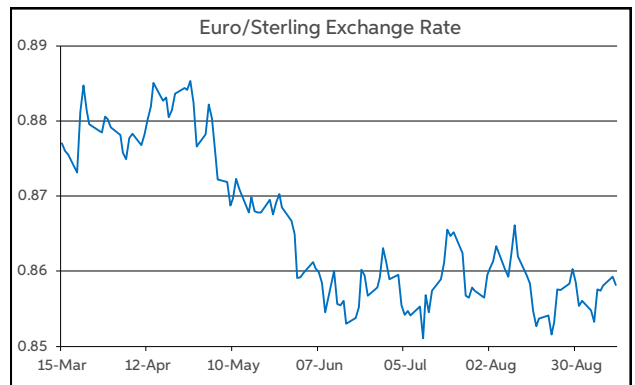
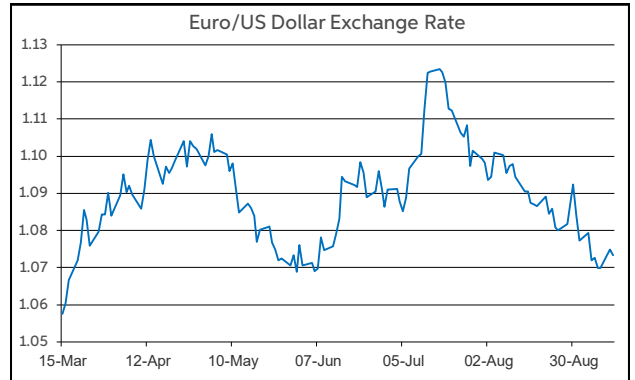
Equity markets moved higher on both sides of the Atlantic yesterday, amid a relatively quiet start to the week. The Euro Stoxx 50 gained 0.4%, while the S&P 500 climbed 0.7% higher. On bond markets, the main move was UK Gilt yields rose by 3-6bps along the curve. US Treasury and German Bund yields were little changed. Elsewhere, Brent crude oil continued to tick slightly higher, with prices now approaching \$91 per barrel.

Currency-wise, the main FX pairs were tightly range bound. A sparse data schedule likely contributed to the lacklustre price action. Of the limited moves to note, the yen handed back some of its gains made before the European open, following some hawkish remarks from BoJ Governor Ueda at the weekend, that it may consider ending its negative interest rate policy at year end. From a sterling viewpoint, the currency was unmoved by a hawkish speech from MPC member Mann, arguing that, "holding rates constant at the current level risks enabling further inflation persistence."

As trading gets underway this morning, EUR/USD is near the midpoint of the \$1.07-1.08 range. GBP/USD is in the lower half of \$1.25-1.26 corridor. Meantime, EUR/GBP is operating in the top half of 85-86p. USD/JPY is above the halfway mark of ¥146-147.

Already this morning, UK labour market data for July have been released. As expected, the unemployment rate edged higher to 4.3% from 4.2%. Meantime, average earnings printed above the consensus, up 8.5% y/y (vs. +8.2% y/y f'cast). The release has not impacted sterling so far in early trading. Later today, survey data for September, including the German ZEW and US small business optimism are due. However, barring any major surprises, the data are unlikely to impact on forex markets.

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Today's Opening FX Rates			
		% Change	
		Day *	End 2022
EUR/USD	1.0735	0.01	0.31
EUR/GBP	0.8575	0.02	-3.04
GBP/USD	1.2518	-0.01	3.48
GBP/EUR	1.1657	-0.02	3.14
USD/JPY	146.79	0.42	11.96
EUR/JPY	157.6	0.41	12.33

* 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	5.38	5.44	5.67	5.66	5.19	4.49
EUR	4.25	3.68	3.80	4.00	3.71	3.28
GBP	5.25	5.31	5.44	5.65	5.58	5.04

All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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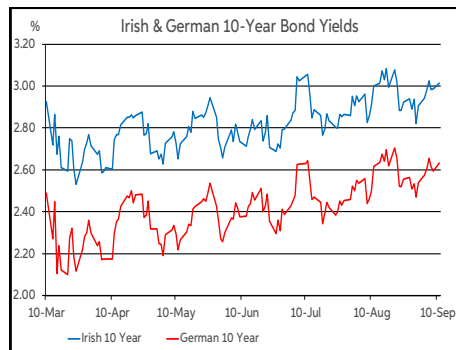
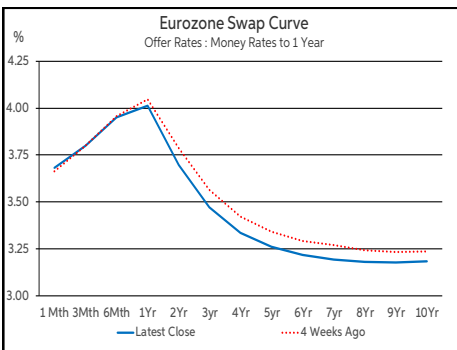
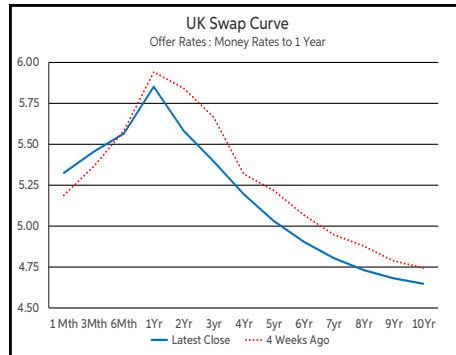
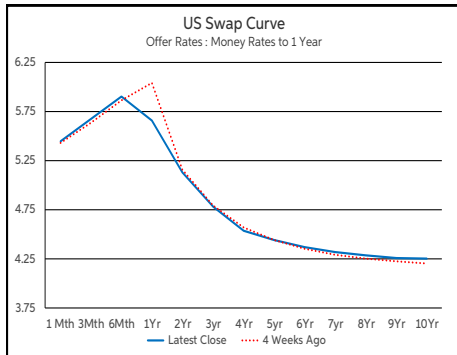
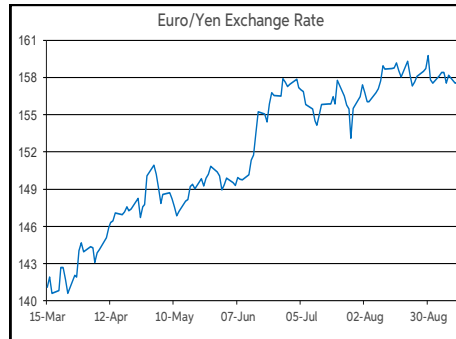
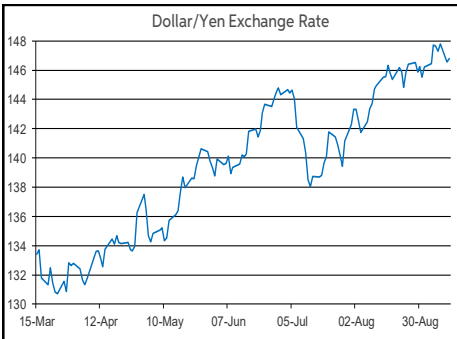
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Opening Levels

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Euro		Sterling		Dollar	
EUR/GBP	0.8575	GBP/EUR	1.1657	USD/JPY	146.79
EUR/USD	1.0735	GBP/USD	1.2518	USD/CAD	1.3586
EUR/JPY	157.6	GBP/CAD	1.7008	USD/CHF	0.8913
EUR/SEK	11.916	GBP/NZD	2.1182	USD/CNY	7.2885
EUR/DKK	7.4578	GBP/JPY	183.72	USD/BRL	4.9304
EUR/NOK	11.4495	GBP/SEK	13.8824	USD/RUB	94.2125
EUR/CHF	0.957	GBP/DKK	8.6938	USD/INR	82.975
EUR/AUD	1.6713	GBP/NOK	13.3492		
EUR/HKD	8.4079	GBP/CHF	1.1158	AUD/USD	0.6422
EUR/CAD	1.4587	GBP/AUD	1.9485	NZD/USD	0.5903



Debt Markets				
	Close	Change bps		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 22
10 Year Yield %				
US	4.29	+3	+9	+42
Germany	2.64	+4	-0	+7
UK	4.47	+5	-9	+80
5 Year Swap %				
US	4.44	+0	+4	+45
Eurozone	3.26	+2	-7	+3
UK	5.03	+2	-14	+73
2 Year Swap %				
US	5.13	-2	+1	+46
Eurozone	3.70	+2	-8	+31
UK	5.58	+1	-26	+90
10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps				
Ireland	40	-2	+0	-19
Belgium	64	-0	-1	+0
France	54	-1	+0	-1
Italy	176	+1	+11	-38
Spain	105	+1	+4	-4
Portugal	75	+0	+4	-29
Greece	138	+1	+9	-65

Commodities				
	Close	% Change		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 22
Brent Oil	90.64	-0.01	+5.14	+5.51
West Texas Oil	87.3	-0.24	+5.82	+8.91
Gold \$	1921.7	+0.20	+0.72	+5.33

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