Morning Comment

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US core-PCE inflation due today

It was a relatively quiet day on financial markets yesterday. A lack of any top tier data releases likely contributed to the muted price action. On equity markets, the Euro Stoxx 50 gained 0.4%, having under-performed the previous day. Meanwhile on Wall Street, the S&P 500 rose by just 0.1%. In terms of fixed income, German Bund and US Treasury yields drifted 2-5bps higher. However, UK Gilt yields fell by 2-3bps along the curve.

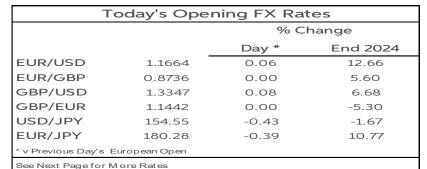
Of the limited releases to note, a number of updates on the US labour market were in focus. Most notably, the latest weekly initial jobless claims figure dropped to 191k (vs. 220k f'cast), albeit the data appear to have been impacted by Thanksgiving. In contrast, a number of private sector metrics suggest labour market conditions have deteriorated. Data from Revelio lab indicate that the US shed 9k jobs in October. Meantime, Challenger data show over 70k people were laid-off in November, the highest number of job cuts in the month since 2008, aside from 2022.

Currency-wise, the main FX pairs operated in very tight ranges. The dollar was under some modest downward pressure following the release of the aforementioned US labour market data. Elsewhere, sterling continued to hold a slightly firmer tone. However, the moves largely reversed course overnight.

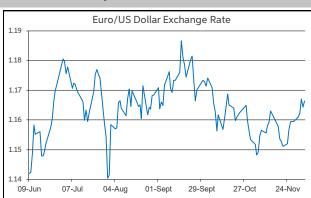
In level terms, EUR/USD opens this morning just above the midpoint of \$1.16-1.17. EUR/GBP remains in the lower half of the 87-88p range. GBP/USD is at the halfway mark of the \$1.33-1.34 corridor. USD/JPY is changing hands back below the \$155 handle.

Today, the main focus will be on US core-PCE inflation for September, which is forecast to stay at 2.9%. Elsewhere in the US, the Michigan measure of consumer sentiment for December in due. In the Eurozone, the final reading of Q3 GDP will be released.

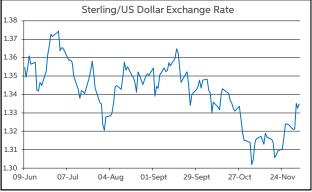
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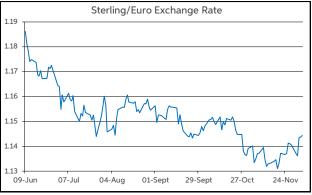


Opening Interest Rates						
	Money Market			Swap Rates		
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	3.88	3.80	3.74	3.49	3.58	3.66
EUR	2.00	1.89	2.03	2.14	2.21	2.47
GBP	4 00	3.83	3.75	3 56	3 73	3.86









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All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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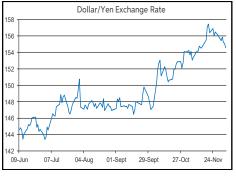
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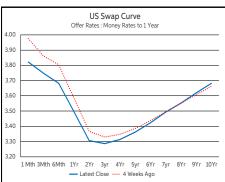
Euro				
EUR/GBP	0.8736			
EUR/USD	1.1664			
EUR/JPY	180.28			
EUR/SEK	10.9776			
EUR/DKK	7.4686			
EUR/NOK	11.7739			
EUR/CHF	0.9361			
EUR/AUD	1.7606			
EUR/HKD	9.0796			
EUR/CAD	1.6267			

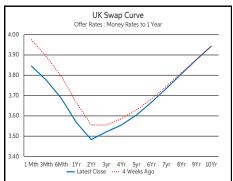
Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1442		
GBP/USD	1.3347		
GBP/CAD	1.8612		
GBP/NZD	2.3101		
GBP/JPY	206.28		
GBP/SEK	12.5627		
GBP/DKK	8.5475		
GBP/NOK	13.475		
GBP/CHF	1.0711		
GBP/AUD	2.0143		

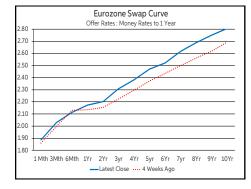
Dollar				
USD/JPY	154.55			
USD/CAD	1.3946			
USD/CHF	0.8025			
USD/CNY	7.0686			
USD/BRL	5.3104			
USD/RUB	75.9			
USD/INR	90.022			
AUD/USD	0.6623			
NZD/USD	0.5775			
USD/CHF USD/CNY USD/BRL USD/RUB USD/INR	0.8025 7.0686 5.3104 75.9 90.022			













	Debt	Markets		
			Change bps	5
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24
10 Year Yield %				
US	4.11	+5	+1	-47
Germany	2.77	+2	+11	+41
UK	4.44	-1	+0	-14
Ireland	2.98	+3	+9	+33
Belgium	3.30	+4	+10	+32
France	3.52	+3	+8	+33
Italy	3.47	+3	+6	-5
Spain	3.25	+3	+8	+18
Portugal	3.11	+3	+9	+26
Greece	3.39	+3	+9	+14
5 Year Swap %				
US	3.60	+4	-2	-69
Eurozone	2.46	+3	+9	+23
UK	3.86	-O	-1	-42
2 Year Swap %				
US	3.56	+2	-5	-77
Eurozone	2.20	+3	+5	+0
UK	3.74	-1	-6	-75
10 Year Governi	ment Bond Spre	ads to Ben	chmark bps	
Ireland	21	+0	-2	-7
Belgium	53	+1	-1	-9
France	75	+1	-3	-8
Italy	70	+0	-5	-45
Spain	48	+0	-3	-22
Portugal	34	+0	-3	-15
Greece	62	+0	-3	-27

Commodities					
	% Change				
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24	
Brent Oil	63.26	+0.94	-0.19	-15.25	
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27	
Gold \$	4207.7	+0.04	+5.78	+60.37	

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