

## Spotlight on US labour market data

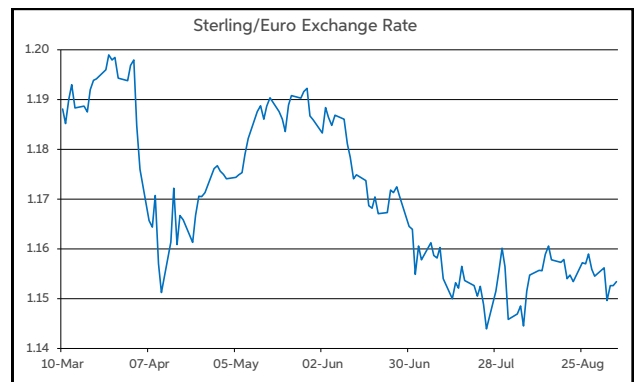
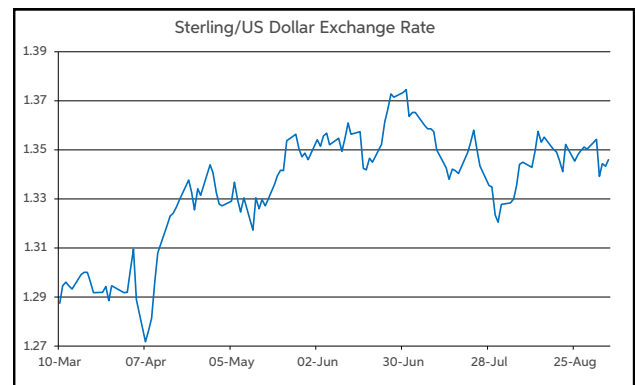
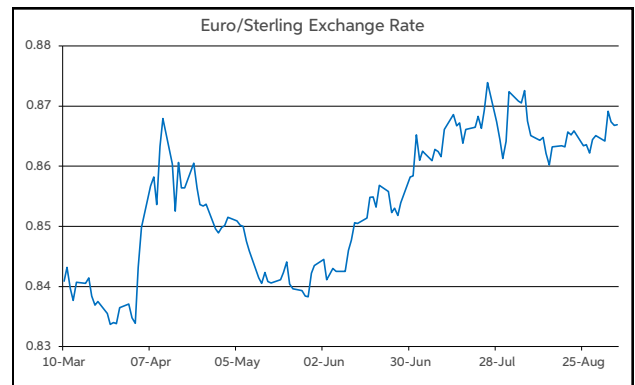
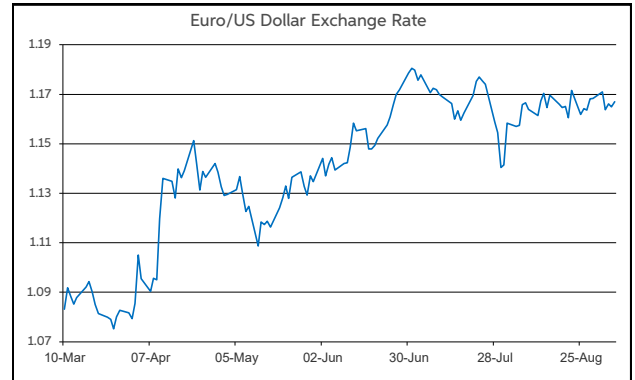
Investor sentiment retained a positive mood yesterday amid a further easing in sovereign bond yields. The main sovereign benchmarks saw their 10-year yields fall within a 2-5bps range. On equity markets, gains were posted on both sides of the Atlantic. In Europe, the Euro Stoxx 50 rose by 0.4%. At the closing bell on Wall Street last night, the S&P 500 was 0.8% higher on the day.

Data-wise, the majority of macro releases were from the US and they entailed mixed results. The weekly jobless claims figures were higher than expected, providing further signs of a softening in US labour market conditions. The ADP employment report was also weaker than anticipated. On the other hand, the non-manufacturing ISM survey for August printed ahead of forecasts, suggesting the US economy had solid momentum moving through Q3.

From a currency perspective, the raft of US data had no significant impact on the dollar. Indeed, the majors have operated within narrow ranges over the past 24 hours. As a result, the main pairs start this morning's European session showing limited changes compared to yesterday's open. The EUR/USD pair is trading in the upper half of \$1.16-1.17. EUR/GBP remains above the midpoint of 86-87p, while GBP/USD is in and around the halfway mark of \$1.34-1.35.

Today's macro diary has already seen the release of UK retail sales for July. The headline reading printed ahead of expectations, registering a 0.6% m/m rise (vs. f'cast for +0.2%). However, the market's focus today is very much centred on the US, with a raft of labour market updates due, including the non-farm payrolls number for August (f'cast for +75,000). The data provide a potential source of volatility for the dollar. If you recall last month, the combination of a weaker than anticipated July payroll print and downward revisions to the May-June period, saw an immediate softening in US rate expectations and in turn downward pressure on the dollar.

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Today's Opening FX Rates			
		% Change	
		Day *	End 2024
EUR/USD	1.167	0.17	12.72
EUR/GBP	0.8667	-0.09	4.76
GBP/USD	1.3458	0.25	7.57
GBP/EUR	1.153	0.09	-4.55
USD/JPY	148.2	-0.01	-5.71
EUR/JPY	172.98	0.15	6.29

\* 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	4.38	4.21	4.10	3.69	3.62	3.55
EUR	2.00	1.89	2.08	2.08	2.09	2.33
GBP	4.00	3.96	3.95	3.83	3.99	4.06

All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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# Opening Levels

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## Euro

EUR/GBP	0.8667
EUR/USD	1.167
EUR/JPY	172.98
EUR/SEK	11.0194
EUR/DKK	7.4652
EUR/NOK	11.742
EUR/CHF	0.9383
EUR/AUD	1.7853
EUR/HKD	9.1017
EUR/CAD	1.6109

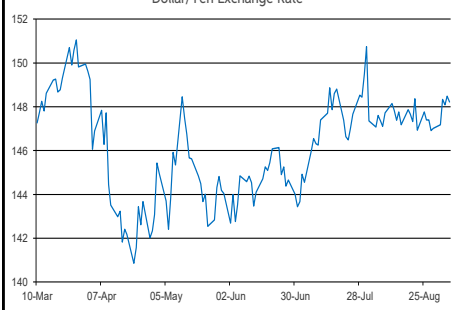
## Sterling

GBP/EUR	1.153
GBP/USD	1.3458
GBP/CAD	1.8576
GBP/NZD	2.2939
GBP/JPY	199.48
GBP/SEK	12.7079
GBP/DKK	8.6074
GBP/NOK	13.5418
GBP/CHF	1.0822
GBP/AUD	2.059

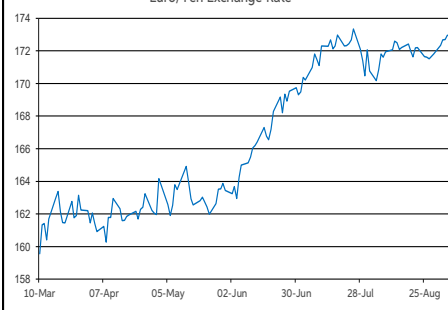
## Dollar

USD/JPY	148.2
USD/CAD	1.3803
USD/CHF	0.804
USD/CNY	7.1357
USD/BRL	5.4447
USD/RUB	81.25
USD/INR	88.315
AUD/USD	0.6533
NZD/USD	0.5864

Dollar/Yen Exchange Rate

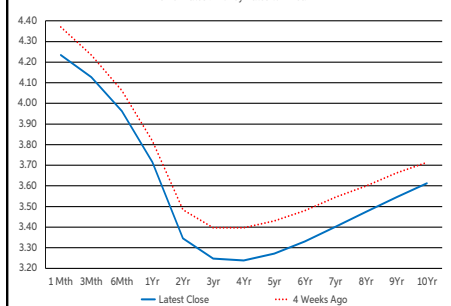


Euro/Yen Exchange Rate



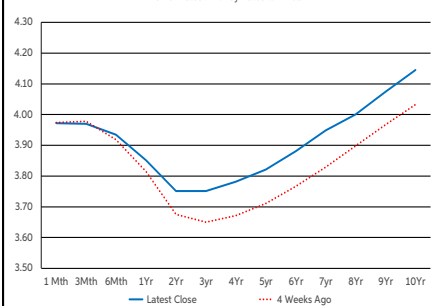
US Swap Curve

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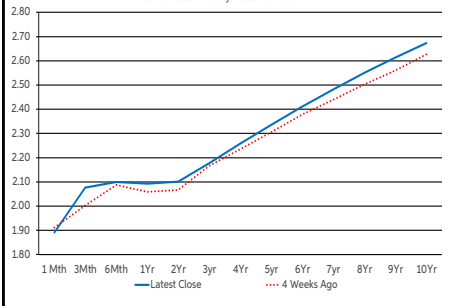
UK Swap Curve

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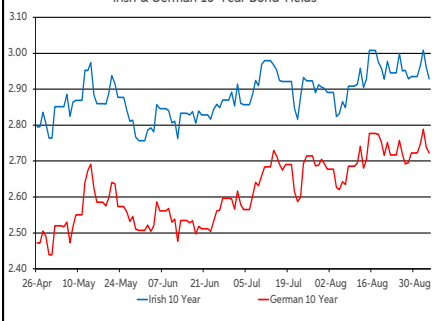


Eurozone Swap Curve

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Irish & German 10-Year Bond Yields



## Debt Markets

	Close	Change bps		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 24
<b>10 Year Yield %</b>				
US	4.18	-4	-7	-40
Germany	2.72	-2	+9	+36
UK	4.72	-2	+18	+15
<b>5 Year Swap %</b>				
US	3.54	-4	-16	-75
Eurozone	2.32	-0	+3	+9
UK	4.06	-2	+11	-23
<b>2 Year Swap %</b>				
US	3.60	-5	-13	-73
Eurozone	2.08	-0	+2	-11
UK	3.98	-1	+8	-50
<b>10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps</b>				
Ireland	25	-1	+0	-3
Belgium	56	-2	+5	-6
France	77	-3	+11	-6
Italy	88	-2	+6	-28
Spain	59	-2	+2	-11
Portugal	43	-2	+2	-6
Greece	71	-3	+3	-17

## Commodities

	Close	% Change		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 24
Brent Oil	66.99	-0.90	+0.84	-10.25
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27
Gold \$	3545.3	-0.38	+4.37	+35.12

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