# **Morning Comment**

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### Uneventful start to November on markets

The first trading day of November got off to a generally muted start yesterday, with a largely uneventful day across markets. Investor sentiment was holding a cautious tone. At the closing bell on Wall Street last night, the S&P 500 index edged 0.2% higher on the day.

Data-wise, the European calendar was sparse. Meanwhile, in the US, with the on-going government shutdown impacting official data, the diary is reliant on private sector macro updates. Yesterday saw the publication of the ISM manufacturing survey for October. The headline printed below expectations, falling to 48.7 from 49.1 and versus a forecast for 49.5. Overall, the underlying details in the report indicate that US manufacturing activity remains soft.

From a currency perspective, the majors were confined to narrow ranges. The weaker than anticipated manufacturing ISM for October did at the margin prove unhelpful to the dollar's aspirations to eke out further gains on the exchanges. The greenback though still held the upper hand against the euro and sterling.

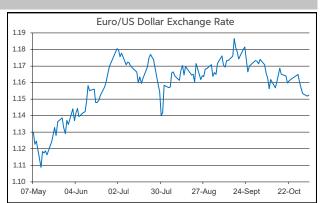
In level terms, most of the main pairs start this morning's European session showing minimal movement over the past 24 hours. The EUR/USD pair is pinned down in the bottom half of the \$1.15-1.16 band, having traded to a low of \$1.1499. GBP/USD is trading below the midpoint of \$1.31-1.32. Meantime, EUR/GBP continues to change hands in a narrow corridor, just below the 88p handle. Elsewhere, the yen has posted some modest gains, in overnight trading on Asia-Pacific markets, having been on the defensive for much of last week. USD/JPY is back under the ¥154 mark.

Looking ahead to today, the European macro agenda remains quiet with no data releases worth mentioning. In the US, the main highlight will be Jolts job openings data for September.

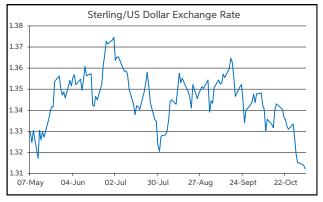
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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2024	
EUR/USD	1.1525	-0.08	11.32	
EUR/GBP	0.8778	0.03	6.10	
GBP/USD	1.3121	-0.14	4.88	
GBP/EUR	1.1385	-0.03	-5.75	
USD/JPY	153.53	-0.38	-2.32	
EUR/JPY	176.95	-0.47	8.73	
* v Previous Day's European 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	3.88	3.99	3.87	3.59	3.66	3.68	
EUR	2.00	1.92	2.04	2.14	2.16	2.38	
GBP	4.00	3.89	3.85	3.64	3.80	3.88	









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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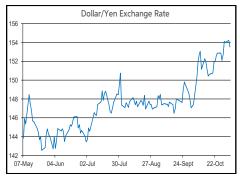
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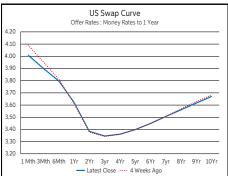
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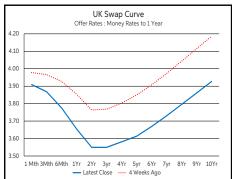
Sterling			
GBP/EUR	1.1385		
GBP/USD	1.3121		
GBP/CAD	1.8456		
GBP/NZD	2.3103		
GBP/JPY	201.48		
GBP/SEK	12.4571		
GBP/DKK	8.4993		
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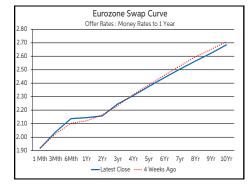
Dollar				
USD/JPY	153.53			
USD/CAD	1.4066			
USD/CHF	0.8078			
USD/CNY	7.1248			
USD/BRL	5.3568			
USD/RUB	80.5			
USD/INR	88.62			
AUD/USD	0.6506			
NZD/USD	0.5677			













	Debt	Markets			
		Change bps			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24	
10 Year Yield %					
US	4.11	+1	-5	-47	
Germany	2.66	+3	-5	+30	
UK	4.44	+3	-30	-14	
Ireland	2.91	+4	-9	+26	
Belgium	3.21	+4	-8	+22	
France	3.44	+2	-13	+25	
Italy	3.41	+2	-16	-11	
Spain	3.17	+2	-9	+10	
Portugal	3.02	+2	-10	+17	
Greece	3.28	-1	-13	+3	
5 Year Swap %					
US	3.65	+2	+0	-64	
Eurozone	2.36	+4	-2	+13	
UK	3.87	+2	-21	-41	
2 Year Swap %					
US	3.64	+3	+1	-69	
Eurozone	2.15	+3	+2	-4	
UK	3.79	+1	-21	-70	
10 Year Governme	ent Bond Spread	s to Benchn	nark bps		
Ireland	25	+1	-3	-4	
Belgium	54	+1	-2	-7	
France	78	-0	-7	-5	
Italy	74	-0	-11	-41	
Spain	50	-O	-4	-20	
Portugal	36	-0	-5	-13	
Greece	62	-3	-7	-27	

Commodities					
		% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24	
Brent Oil	64.89	-0.28	-0.89	-13.06	
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27	
Gold \$	4001.4	-0.01	+1.04	+52.50	

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