Morning Comment

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US payrolls ahead today

There was a more positive mood on markets yesterday. The VIX fell to its lowest level since the end of April. The Euro Stoxx 50 rose by 0.9%, while on Wall Street, the S&P 500 gained 1.8%. Meanwhile, OPEC+ announced that it will increase its production quota to 648k barrels per day in July and August. However, oil prices rose by over 1% and are currently up near \$117 per barrel this morning, as the market was expecting a larger increase in future output.

Currency-wise, amid the improvement in risk appetite, the dollar handed back all of its gains from the day before. It fell by circa 0.9% versus the euro and 0.7% against sterling yesterday. EUR/ USD moved back above the \$1.07 threshold in the process.

As trading gets underway this morning, EUR/USD is operating up at the midpoint of \$1.07-1.08 range. Meanwhile, GBP/USD is changing hands in the top half of \$1.25-1.26. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP opens in the heart of the 85-86p corridor.

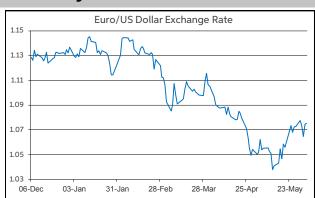
Turning to the day ahead, the main release of note will be the latest US labour market report. An increase of 325k in May is pencilled in for payrolls, while the unemployment rate is forecast to inch lower to its pre-pandemic low of 3.5% from 3.6%. Meanwhile, average earnings are projected to ease back to 5.2% year-on-year from 5.5% previously.

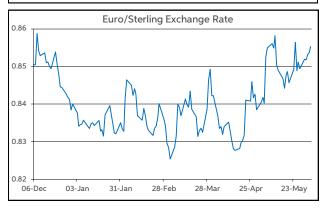
Elsewhere in the US, the non-manufacturing ISM is expected to decline but remain well above 50 in May. In the Eurozone, retail sales data (April) will feature. Barring any major surprises though, the data may not impact on currency markets.

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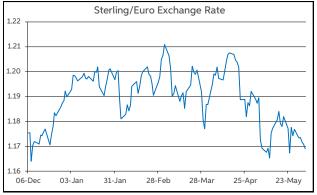
| Today's Opening FX Rates | | | | |
|----------------------------------|--------|----------|----------|--|
| | | % Change | | |
| | _ | Day * | End 2021 | |
| EUR/USD | 1.0752 | 0.90 | -5.42 | |
| EUR/GBP | 0.8552 | 0.20 | 1.81 | |
| GBP/USD | 1.2572 | 0.70 | -7.07 | |
| GBP/EUR | 1.1688 | -0.20 | -1.78 | |
| USD/JPY | 129.92 | -0.10 | 12.90 | |
| EUR/JPY | 139.72 | 0.82 | 6.76 | |
| * v Previous Day's European Open | | | | |
| See Next Page for More Rates | | | | |

| Opening Interest Rates | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------|-------|--------|------------|------|------|
| | | Money | Market | Swap Rates | | |
| | Base Rate | 1-Mth | 3-Mth | 1-Yr | 2-Yr | 5-Yr |
| USD | 0.875 | 1.12 | 1.63 | 2.67 | 3.02 | 2.96 |
| EUR | 0.00 | -0.54 | -0.34 | 0.54 | 1.23 | 1.68 |
| GBP | 1.00 | 1.12 | 1.42 | 2.33 | 2.69 | 2.63 |









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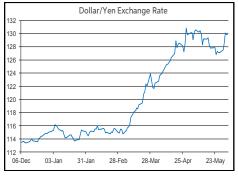
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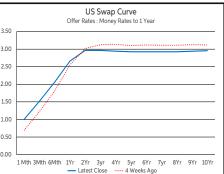
| Euro | | | | |
|---------|---------|--|--|--|
| EUR/GBP | 0.8552 | | | |
| EUR/USD | 1.0752 | | | |
| EUR/JPY | 139.72 | | | |
| EUR/SEK | 10.4317 | | | |
| EUR/DKK | 7.4385 | | | |
| EUR/NOK | 10.0885 | | | |
| EUR/CHF | 1.0301 | | | |
| EUR/AUD | 1.4819 | | | |
| EUR/HKD | 8.4358 | | | |
| EUR/CAD | 1.3512 | | | |

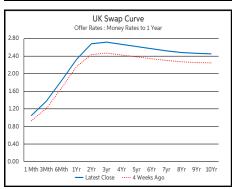
| Sterling | | | | |
|----------|---------|--|--|--|
| GBP/EUR | 1.1688 | | | |
| GBP/USD | 1.2572 | | | |
| GBP/CAD | 1.5797 | | | |
| GBP/NZD | 1.9173 | | | |
| GBP/JPY | 163.34 | | | |
| GBP/SEK | 12.1953 | | | |
| GBP/DKK | 8.6943 | | | |
| GBP/NOK | 11.7888 | | | |
| GBP/CHF | 1.2042 | | | |
| GBP/AUD | 1.7324 | | | |

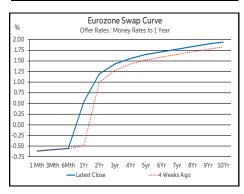
| Dollar | | | | |
|---------|--------|--|--|--|
| USD/JPY | 129.92 | | | |
| USD/CAD | 1.2565 | | | |
| USD/CHF | 0.9578 | | | |
| USD/CNY | 6.6596 | | | |
| USD/BRL | 4.7965 | | | |
| USD/RUB | 61.3 | | | |
| USD/INR | 77.6 | | | |
| AUD/USD | 0.7254 | | | |
| NZD/USD | 0.6554 | | | |













| | Debt | Markets | | | | |
|-----------------|----------------|------------|------------|--------|--|--|
| | | | Change bps | | | |
| | Close | Day | 4 Weeks | End 21 | | |
| 10 Year Yield % | | | | | | |
| US | 2.91 | +0 | -12 | +140 | | |
| Germany | 1.24 | +5 | +19 | +141 | | |
| UK | 2.15 | +5 | +19 | +118 | | |
| Ireland | 1.81 | +5 | +7 | +157 | | |
| Belgium | 1.84 | +5 | +22 | +166 | | |
| France | 1.76 | +6 | +19 | +157 | | |
| Italy | 3.30 | +11 | +28 | +212 | | |
| Spain | 2.37 | +7 | +23 | +178 | | |
| Portugal | 2.42 | +8 | +23 | +193 | | |
| Greece | 3.68 | +8 | +29 | +237 | | |
| 5 Year Swap % | | | | | | |
| US | 2.92 | +0 | -14 | +159 | | |
| Eurozone | 1.65 | +8 | +14 | +164 | | |
| UK | 2.62 | -1 | +25 | +135 | | |
| 2 Year Swap % | | | | | | |
| US | 2.97 | -O | -1 | +202 | | |
| Eurozone | 1.20 | +6 | +21 | +150 | | |
| UK | 2.68 | +0 | +25 | +149 | | |
| 10 Year Governn | nent Bond Spre | ads to Ben | chmark bps | | | |
| Ireland | 58 | -O | -12 | +15 | | |
| Belgium | 61 | -O | +3 | +25 | | |
| France | 53 | +0 | +0 | +15 | | |
| Italy | 207 | +5 | +9 | +70 | | |
| Spain | 114 | +2 | +4 | +36 | | |
| Portugal | 118 | +3 | +5 | +52 | | |
| Greece | 244 | +2 | +10 | +95 | | |

| Commodities | | | | | |
|----------------|-----------------------|----------|-------|--------|--|
| | | % Change | | | |
| | Close Day 4 Weeks End | | | | |
| Brent Oil | 117.61 | +1.14 | +6.05 | +51.21 | |
| West Texas Oil | 116.88 | +1.41 | +8.05 | +55.16 | |
| Gold \$ | 1868.1 | +1.22 | -0.46 | +2.17 | |

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