

# Morning Comment

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## Dollar down circa 2% last week

Investor sentiment was holding a positive tone throughout last week, as data showed inflationary pressures are easing in the US and UK. This sparked a softening in futures contracts and a decline in bond yields, providing a supportive backdrop for equity markets. Overall, the Euro Stoxx 50 gained 3.4% while the S&P 500 rose by 2.2% on the week.

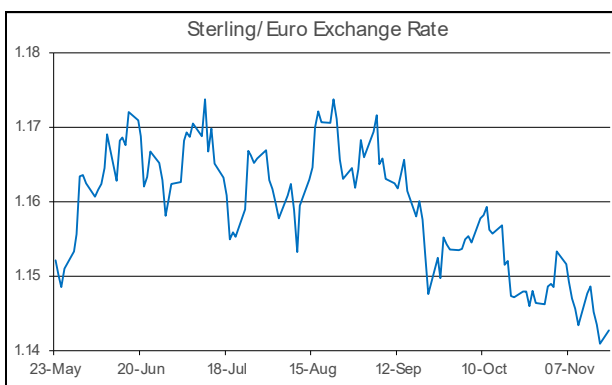
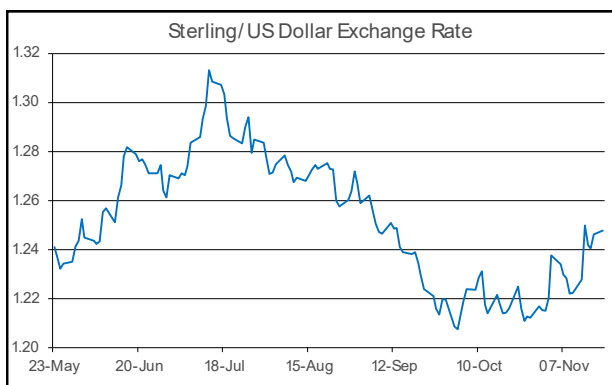
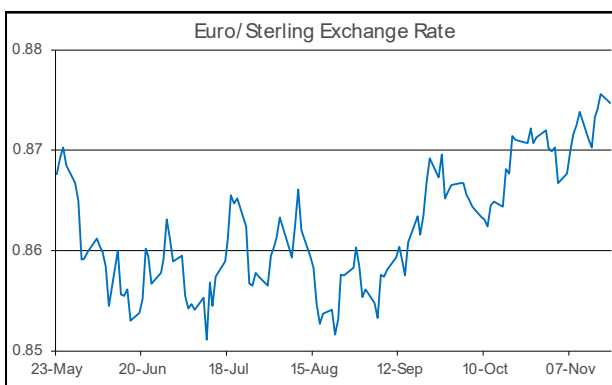
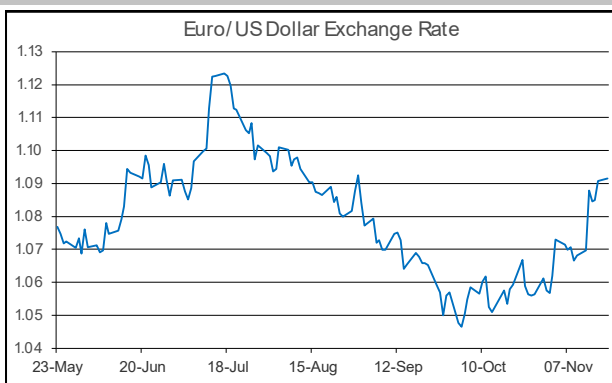
Headline CPI inflation fell to 3.2% in the US, and to 4.6% in the UK, respectively. Both releases were only marginally below the consensus, but sparked significant moves on markets, particularly in the US. Futures contracts pricing indicate that the market sees virtually no chance that the Fed or the BoE will raise rates again. Furthermore, around 90bps worth of rate cuts are now priced-in for next year in the US, and circa 70bps of cuts in the UK.

Amid the softening in rates, sovereign bond yields fell by 15-25bps in the US and UK. Falling yields elsewhere pulled Eurozone yields lower also, with German yields declining by 10-20bps. Meantime, on the currency front, the dollar was under some downward pressure. Overall, the greenback shed around 2% against the euro, sterling and yen last week.

As trading gets underway this morning, the softer tone to the dollar sees EUR/USD open above \$1.09, having been below \$1.07 last Monday. GBP/USD is changing hands in the top half of \$1.24-1.25. EUR/GBP is operating in and around the midpoint of 87-88p.

This week's data calendar includes the flash PMI readings in the US, Eurozone and UK for November. On the monetary policy front, the latest ECB and Fed meeting minutes, as well as remarks from a number of central bankers will garner attention.

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Today's Opening FX Rates			
		% Change	
		Day *	End 2022
EUR/ USD	1.0916	0.60	2.00
EUR/ GBP	0.8748	0.08	-1.09
GBP/ USD	1.2475	0.51	3.12
GBP/ EUR	1.1424	-0.08	1.10
USD/ JPY	149.16	-0.98	13.77
EUR/ JPY	162.84	-0.39	16.07
* 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	5.45	5.63	5.48	5.02	4.47
EUR	4.50	3.82	3.98	3.94	3.50	3.09
GBP	5.25	5.18	5.21	5.12	4.96	4.39

All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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# Opening Levels

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## Euro

EUR/GBP	0.8748
EUR/USD	1.0916
EUR/JPY	162.84
EUR/SEK	11.4781
EUR/DKK	7.457
EUR/NOK	11.7833
EUR/CHF	0.9653
EUR/AUD	1.667
EUR/HKD	8.5056
EUR/CAD	1.4962

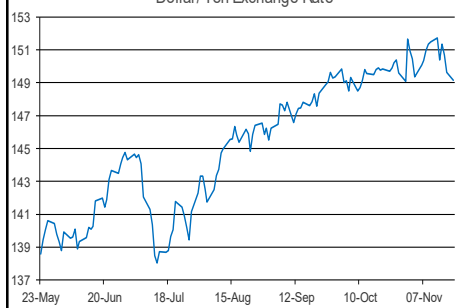
## Sterling

GBP/EUR	1.1424
GBP/USD	1.2475
GBP/CAD	1.71
GBP/NZD	2.0713
GBP/JPY	186.06
GBP/SEK	13.12
GBP/DKK	8.5213
GBP/NOK	13.4676
GBP/CHF	1.1034
GBP/AUD	1.9057

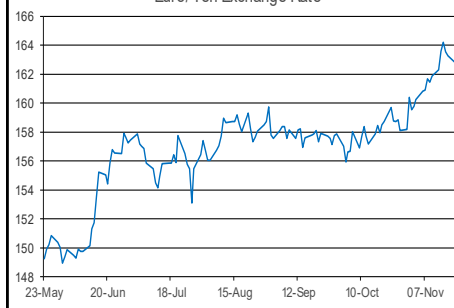
## Dollar

USD/JPY	149.16
USD/CAD	1.3704
USD/CHF	0.8842
USD/CNY	7.1797
USD/BRL	4.9059
USD/RUB	89.45
USD/INR	83.327
AUD/USD	0.6546
NZD/USD	0.6022

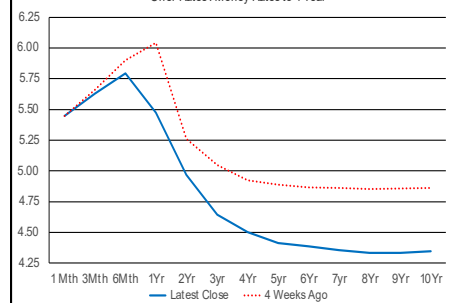
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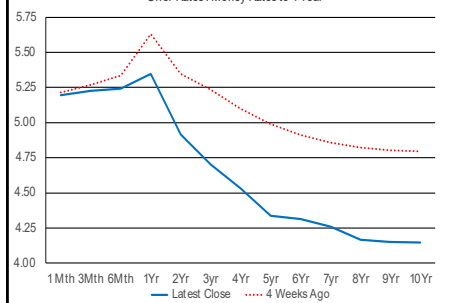
Euro/Yen Exchange Rate



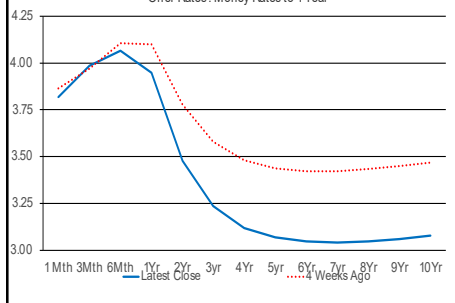
US Swap Curve  
Offer Rates: Money Rates to 1 Year



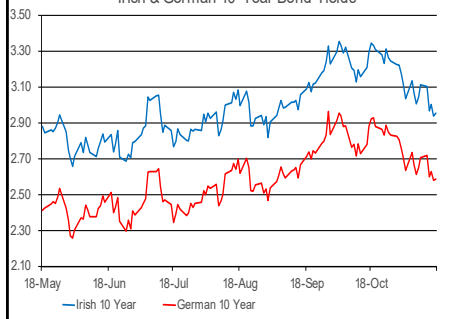
UK Swap Curve  
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Eurozone Swap Curve  
Offer Rates: Money Rates to 1 Year



Irish & German 10-Year Bond Yields



## Debt Markets

	Close	Change bps		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 22
<b>10 Year Yield %</b>				
US	4.44	-0	-47	+56
Germany	2.59	+0	-29	+3
UK	4.10	-5	-55	+43
Ireland	2.99	+2	-35	-16
Belgium	3.20	+1	-36	-0
France	3.16	+1	-35	+5
Italy	4.37	+2	-56	-34
Spain	3.60	+2	-40	-6
Portugal	3.25	+0	-37	-35
Greece	3.84	-1	-52	-75
<b>5 Year Swap %</b>				
US	4.41	+1	-44	+42
Eurozone	3.07	+2	-36	-16
UK	4.34	-9	-65	+4
<b>2 Year Swap %</b>				
US	4.97	+6	-25	+29
Eurozone	3.48	+2	-29	+9
UK	4.92	-1	-43	+23
<b>10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps</b>				
Ireland	40	+1	-5	-18
Belgium	61	+0	-6	-3
France	57	+1	-6	+2
Italy	178	+1	-26	-37
Spain	101	+1	-11	-8
Portugal	66	-0	-8	-38
Greece	125	-2	-23	-78

## Commodities

	Close	% Change		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 22
Brent Oil	80.61	+4.12	-12.53	-6.17
West Texas Oil	76.47	+4.04	-14.19	-4.60
Gold \$	1980.0	-0.04	-0.05	+8.53

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