

## Yen slightly firmer as BoJ unchanged

The positive tone to investor sentiment from Friday's US session carried over into the start of this week. Equity markets moved higher on both sides of the Atlantic, with the Euro Stoxx 50 gaining 0.7%. Meanwhile, on Wall Street, the S&P 500 rose by 0.2%.

In terms of fixed income markets, yields edged lower across the board yesterday. Overall, US Treasury, German Bund and UK Gilt yields fell by 1-4bps. Elsewhere, oil prices rose by circa 2%, amid ongoing tensions in the Middle East. Brent crude is currently operating above \$80 per barrel.

Currency-wise, the main FX pairs were confined to very narrow ranges yesterday. Of the limited price action to note, the yen was holding a marginally firmer tone, in the lead up to the BoJ monetary policy meeting overnight. As expected the BoJ left policy unchanged. There were no alterations to its forward guidance also. In the initial aftermath of the meeting outcome, the yen has continued to strengthen, albeit quite modestly.

As trading gets underway this morning, EUR/USD is changing hands at the \$1.09 threshold. Meantime, EUR/GBP is operating down close to the midpoint of 85-86p. GBP/USD remains in the lower half of the \$1.27-1.28 corridor. USD/JPY is down in the bottom half of ¥147-148.

Turning to the day ahead, the macro calendar is relatively sparse. The only top tier data release of note will be the flash reading of consumer confidence in the Eurozone, for January. The consensus is for the index to improve from -15.0 to -14.3. However, barring any major surprises, the data are unlikely to impact the euro.

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### Today's Opening FX Rates

		% Change	
		Day *	End 2023
EUR/USD	1.0907	0.06	-1.17
EUR/GBP	0.8562	-0.08	-1.22
GBP/USD	1.2738	0.15	0.07
GBP/EUR	1.1674	0.08	1.24
USD/JPY	147.33	-0.49	4.44
EUR/JPY	160.73	-0.41	3.28

\* v Previous Day's European Open

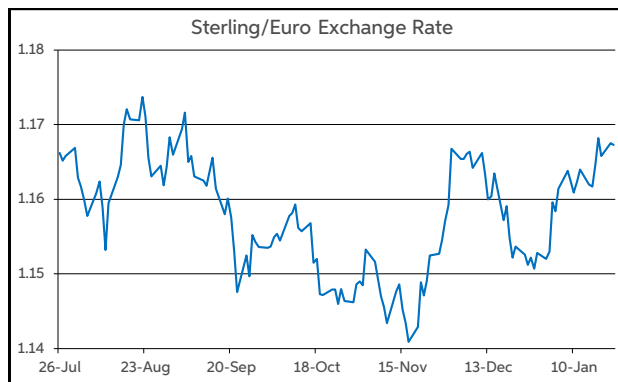
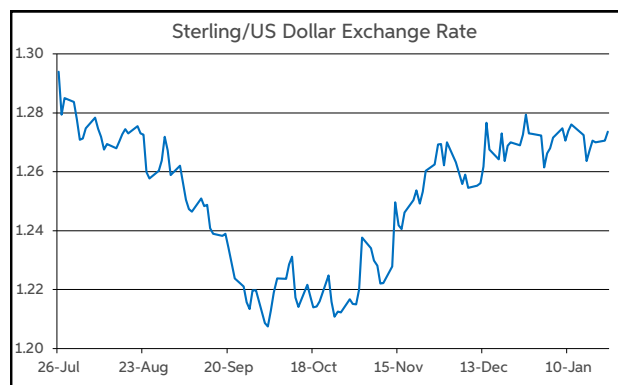
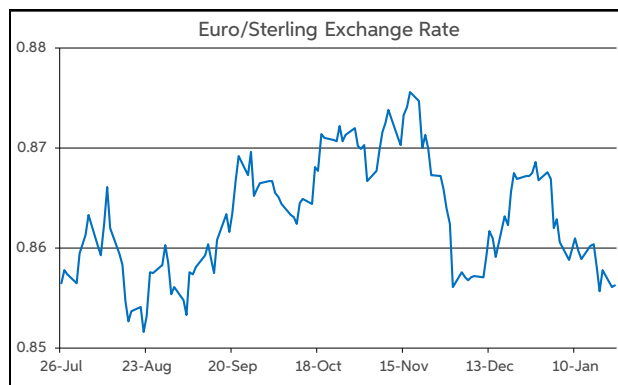
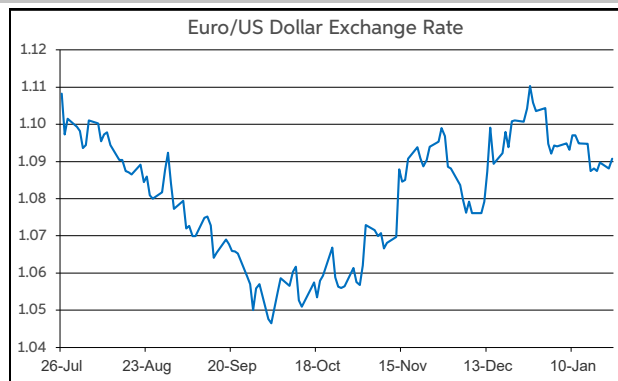
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### Opening Interest Rates

	Base Rate	Money Market		Swap Rates		
		1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	5.38	5.45	5.58	5.10	4.51	4.06
EUR	4.50	3.85	3.96	3.60	3.03	2.68
GBP	5.25	5.18	5.19	4.85	4.54	4.02

All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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# Opening Levels

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## Euro

EUR/GBP	0.8562
EUR/USD	1.0907
EUR/JPY	160.73
EUR/SEK	11.3699
EUR/DKK	7.4579
EUR/NOK	11.4309
EUR/CHF	0.945
EUR/AUD	1.6516
EUR/HKD	8.5333
EUR/CAD	1.4684

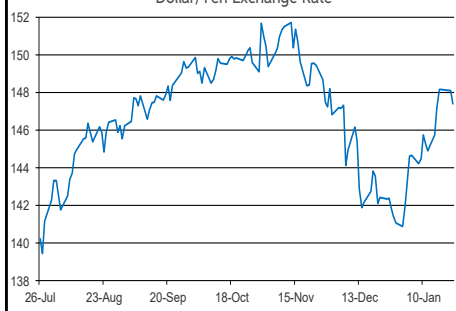
## Sterling

GBP/EUR	1.1674
GBP/USD	1.2738
GBP/CAD	1.7147
GBP/NZD	2.0851
GBP/JPY	187.67
GBP/SEK	13.274
GBP/DKK	8.7068
GBP/NOK	13.3544
GBP/CHF	1.1035
GBP/AUD	1.9285

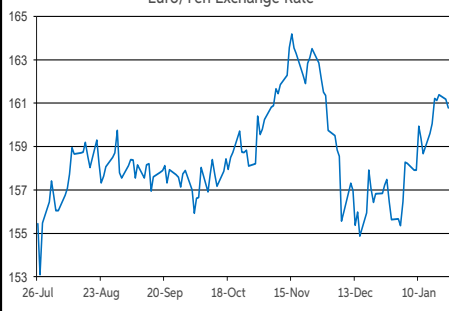
## Dollar

USD/JPY	147.33
USD/CAD	1.346
USD/CHF	0.8663
USD/CNY	7.1688
USD/BRL	4.9892
USD/RUB	87.6525
USD/INR	83.08
AUD/USD	0.6604
NZD/USD	0.6106

Dollar/Yen Exchange Rate

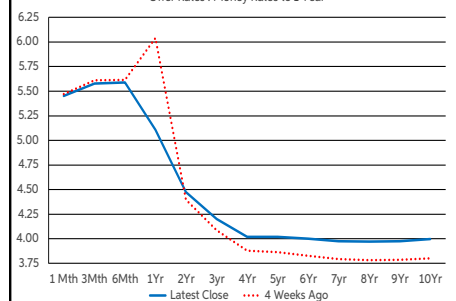


Euro/Yen Exchange Rate



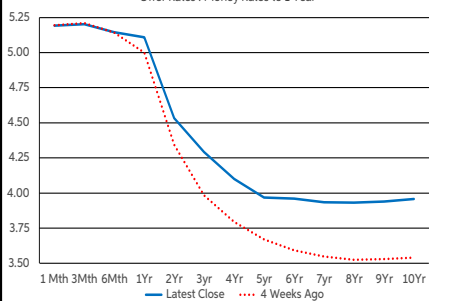
US Swap Curve

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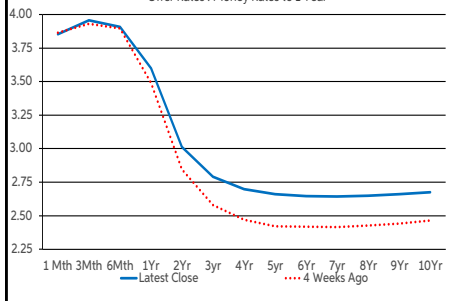
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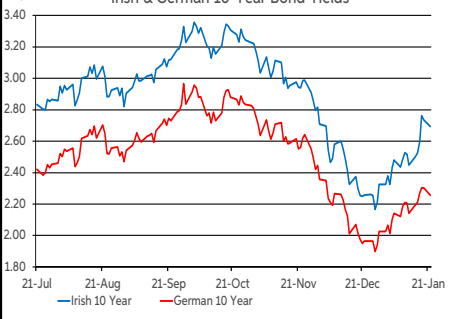


Eurozone Swap Curve

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Irish & German 10-Year Bond Yields



## Debt Markets

	Close	Change bps		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 23
10 Year Yield %				
US	4.11	-2	+21	+24
Germany	2.26	-4	+29	+23
UK	3.91	-2	+40	+37
Ireland	2.75	-2	+46	+36
Belgium	2.89	-5	+29	+21
France	2.79	-4	+31	+23
Italy	3.85	-3	+30	+15
Spain	3.21	-4	+31	+22
Portugal	3.01	-3	+34	+22
Greece	3.33	-6	+31	+26
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5 Year Swap %				
US	4.02	-2	+20	+23
Eurozone	2.66	-5	+25	+23
UK	3.97	-1	+30	+32
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2 Year Swap %				
US	4.47	-1	+12	+14
Eurozone	3.01	-4	+18	+22
UK	4.53	-2	+23	+27
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10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps				
Ireland	49	+2	+17	+13
Belgium	63	-0	+0	-2
France	53	+0	+2	-0
Italy	159	+1	+1	-8
Spain	95	+1	+2	-2
Portugal	75	+1	+5	-1
Greece	107	-1	+2	+2

## Commodities

	% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 23
Brent Oil	80.06	+1.91	+1.25	+3.92
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27
Gold \$	2021.0	-0.40	-1.56	-2.02

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