

ECB policy decision due today

The positive tone to investor sentiment due to the US-Japan trade deal announcement, spilled over into yesterday's European session. Reports that the EU is close to agreeing a similar deal with the US, which would result in a 15% tariff also supported risk appetite. Against this backdrop, the Euro Stoxx 50 register its first daily gain of the week, up by 1.0%. Meantime, on Wall Street, the S&P 500 finished the day 0.8% higher, amid some mixed Q2 earnings reports in the tech sector.

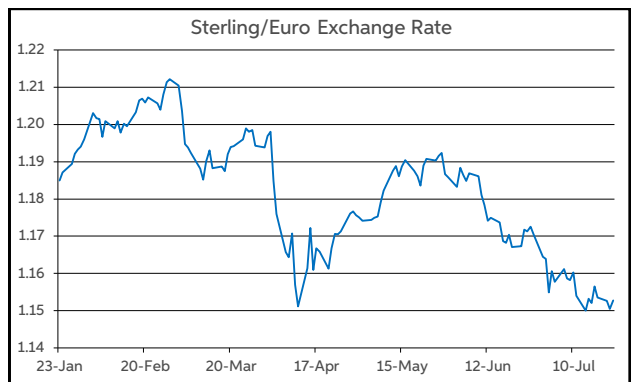
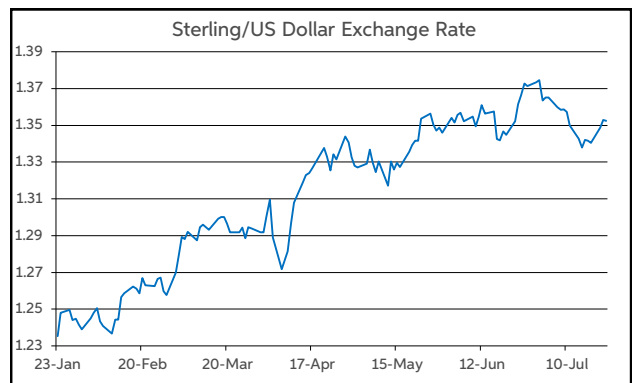
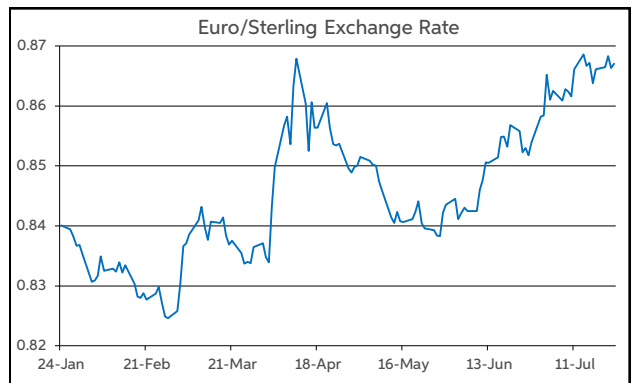
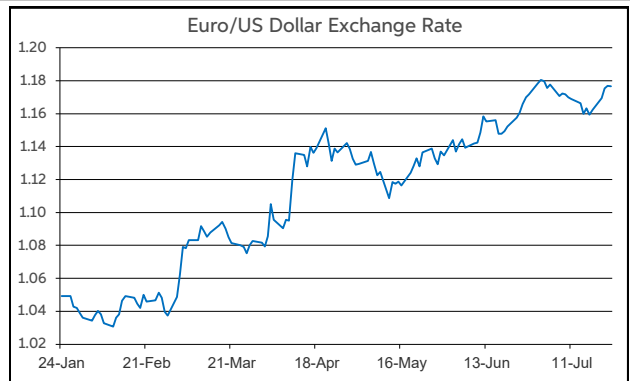
Currency-wise, the main FX pairs have operated in relatively tight ranges over the past 24 hours. Of the price action to note, the dollar has remained on the defensive for a fourth consecutive day. Overall, the greenback declined by around 0.3% against sterling and the euro, and by circa 0.5% versus the yen.

In level terms, the softer tone to the dollar sees EUR/USD open this morning up in the top half of the \$1.17-1.18 corridor. GBP/USD is changing hands above the midpoint of \$1.35-1.36. USD/JPY is down in the lower half of the ¥146-147 trading band, having started yesterday north of ¥147. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP remains in a tight range, within the top half of 86-87p.

Turning to the day ahead, the main highlight will be the ECB meeting. No changes to policy are anticipated but investors will be paying close attention to the meeting statement and the press conference with President Lagarde, for any guidance on the future path of policy.

Data-wise, a busier calendar includes the flash PMIs for July in the Eurozone, UK and US. In the Eurozone and UK, the services sector is expected to continue to outperform manufacturing, with the former staying above the key 50 threshold and the latter below it. Meantime, in the US, both sectors are forecast to stay firmly in expansion mode.

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Today's Opening FX Rates			
		% Change	
		Day *	End 2024
EUR/USD	1.1763	0.24	13.62
EUR/GBP	0.8669	-0.05	4.79
GBP/USD	1.3566	0.30	8.43
GBP/EUR	1.153	0.05	-4.57
USD/JPY	146.21	-0.50	-6.98
EUR/JPY	172.03	-0.23	5.70

* 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	4.34	4.31	3.98	3.93	3.86
EUR	2.00	1.90	1.94	2.00	2.03	2.32
GBP	4.25	4.07	4.00	3.79	3.91	4.01

All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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Opening Levels

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Euro

EUR/GBP	0.8669
EUR/USD	1.1765
EUR/JPY	172.04
EUR/SEK	11.1915
EUR/DKK	7.4635
EUR/NOK	11.8846
EUR/CHF	0.9326
EUR/AUD	1.778
EUR/HKD	9.2352
EUR/CAD	1.6002

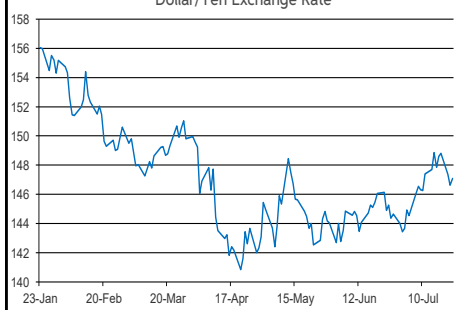
Sterling

GBP/EUR	1.1528
GBP/USD	1.3565
GBP/CAD	1.8453
GBP/NZD	2.2418
GBP/JPY	198.33
GBP/SEK	12.9052
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GBP/NOK	13.698
GBP/CHF	1.0757
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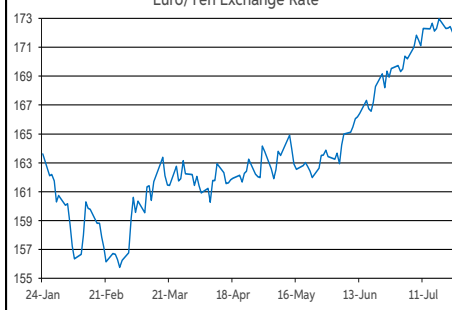
Dollar

USD/JPY	146.21
USD/CAD	1.3604
USD/CHF	0.7926
USD/CNY	7.1517
USD/BRL	5.5167
USD/RUB	78.45
USD/INR	86.301
AUD/USD	0.6614
NZD/USD	0.6048

Dollar/Yen Exchange Rate

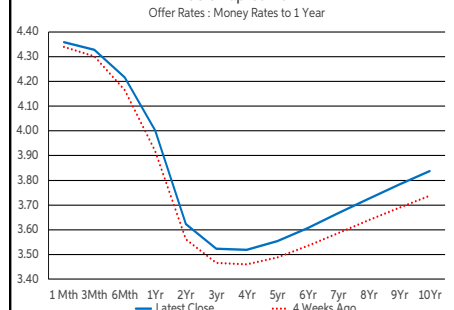


Euro/Yen Exchange Rate



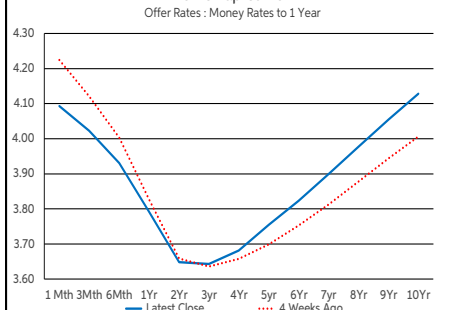
US Swap Curve

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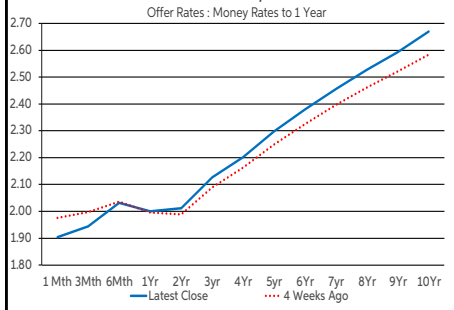
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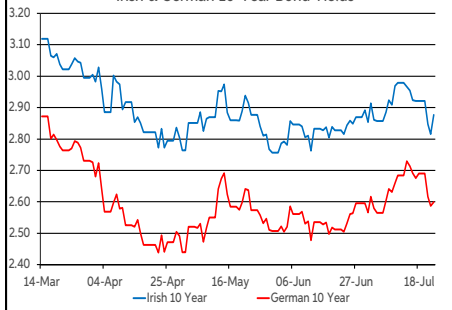


Eurozone Swap Curve

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Irish & German 10-Year Bond Yields



Debt Markets

	Close	Change bps		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 24
10 Year Yield %				
US	4.39	+5	+9	-19
Germany	2.60	+1	+4	+24
UK	4.64	+6	+15	+6
Ireland	2.92	+6	+2	+27
Belgium	3.15	+1	+2	+16
France	3.27	+1	+2	+8
Italy	3.46	+0	-4	-6
Spain	3.20	-0	-3	+14
Portugal	3.04	-0	-2	+19
Greece	3.31	-0	-2	+6
5 Year Swap %				
US	3.82	+4	+8	-47
Eurozone	2.29	+5	+5	+6
UK	4.00	+5	+6	-28
2 Year Swap %				
US	3.88	+4	+6	-46
Eurozone	2.01	+4	+2	-19
UK	3.90	+3	+1	-59
10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps				
Ireland	32	+5	-2	+3
Belgium	55	-0	-1	-7
France	67	-0	-2	-16
Italy	86	-1	-8	-29
Spain	60	-2	-7	-10
Portugal	44	-2	-6	-5
Greece	71	-2	-6	-18

Commodities

	% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24
Brent Oil	68.51	-0.12	+1.23	-8.21
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27
Gold \$	3387.4	-1.27	+1.66	+29.10

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