Morning Comment

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The dollar has the last laugh

There was a mixed mood on markets last week, as remarks from Fed officials and US inflation data impacted sentiment throughout. Overall, the Euro Stoxx 50 finished down by 0.2% for the week, while the S&P 500 gained 0.4%. Meantime, oil prices rose sharply, with Brent crude climbing above \$90 per barrel.

In the early part of last week, dovish comments from a number of Fed officials and general risk aversion on markets, saw US Treasury yields move sharply lower. However, some above consensus US CPI inflation data for September, resulted in Treasury yields rising up from their troughs near the end of the week. Overall though, US Treasury yields fell by 4-15bps last week. However, the volatility in the US Treasury market spilled over to European bonds, with German Bund and UK Gilt yields declining by circa 4-20bps also.

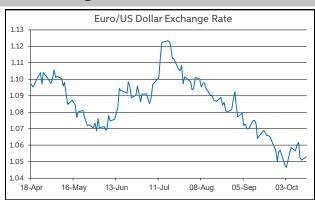
Similarly, fluctuating US sovereign yields continued to heavily influence the dollar. EUR/USD traded to a high of \$1.064, before edging all the way back below \$1.05 on Friday. Meantime, GBP/USD rose to a peak of \$1.234, only to end the week down in the lower half of \$1.21-1.22. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP remained tightly range bound between 86-87p. As trading gets underway this morning, EUR/USD opens above \$1.05, GBP/USD is up in the top half of \$1.21-1.22, and EUR/GBP is at the midpoint of 86-87p.

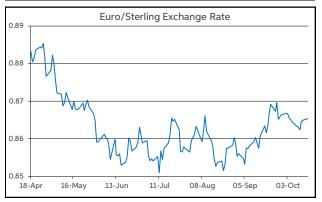
This week, a busy UK macro calendar, which includes the CPI (Sep) and wage (Aug) inflation releases, will garner close attention. Other UK labour market and retail sales data will also feature. In the US, retail sales and industrial production for September, as well as a number of housing market updates are due. However, remarks from a number of Fed speakers may have a greater impact on the dollar. In the Eurozone, the data calendar is relatively sparse.

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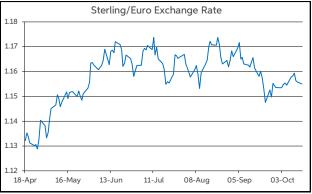
Today's Opening FX Rates					
		% Change			
		Day *	End 2022		
EUR/USD	1.0533	-0.14	-1.58		
EUR/GBP	0.8653	0.12	-2.16		
GBP/USD	1.2167	-0.30	0.58		
GBP/EUR	1.1549	-0.12	2.21		
USD/JPY	149.47	-0.12	14.00		
EUR/JPY	157.43	-0.28	12.21		
* v Previous Day's European Open					

Opening Interest Rates								
		Money Market				Swap Rates		
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr		
USD	5.38	5.45	5.66	5.66	5.25	4.73		
EUR	4.50	3.86	3.99	4.09	3.76	3.38		
GBP	5.25	5.21	5.28	5.38	5.34	4.79		









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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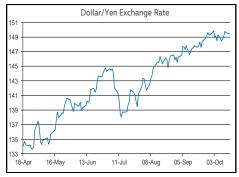
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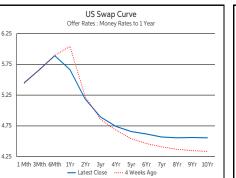
Euro)
EUR/GBP	0.8653
EUR/USD	1.0533
EUR/JPY	157.43
EUR/SEK	11.565
EUR/DKK	7.458
EUR/NOK	11.492
EUR/CHF	0.9492
EUR/AUD	1.664
EUR/HKD	8.2366
EUR/CAD	1.4361

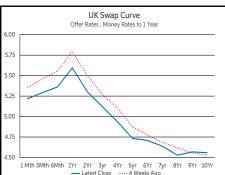
Sterling				
GBP/EUR	1.1549			
GBP/USD	1.2167			
GBP/CAD	1.6591			
GBP/NZD	2.0536			
GBP/JPY	181.86			
GBP/SEK	13.3611			
GBP/DKK	8.6166			
GBP/NOK	13.273			
GBP/CHF	1.0967			
GBP/AUD	1.9225			

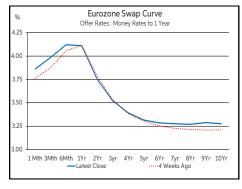
Dollar					
USD/JPY	149.47				
USD/CAD	1.3634				
USD/CHF	0.9013				
USD/CNY	7.3092				
USD/BRL	5.0812				
USD/RUB	97.435				
USD/INR	83.26				
AUD/USD	0.6328				
NZD/USD	0.5923				













	Debt	Markets		
			Change bps	5
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 22
10 Year Yield %				
US	4.62	-8	+28	+74
Germany	2.73	-5	+6	+17
UK	4.39	-3	+3	+72
Ireland	3.19	-3	+9	+4
Belgium	3.42	-2	+10	+22
France	3.32	-2	+10	+21
Italy	4.78	+2	+31	+7
Spain	3.88	-1	+14	+23
Portugal	3.48	-2	+6	-12
Greece	4.28	+3	+17	-31
5 Year Swap %				
US	4.66	-6	+15	+66
Eurozone	3.32	-5	+2	+9
UK	4.74	-4	-9	+43
2 Year Swap %				
US	5.19	-3	+0	+51
Eurozone	3.75	-2	-2	+36
UK	5.30	-1	-20	+62
10 Year Governme	ent Bond Spre	ads to Ben	chmark bps	
Ireland	45	+2	+3	-13
Belgium	69	+3	+4	+5
France	59	+3	+4	+4
Italy	204	+7	+25	-10
Spain	115	+4	+8	+6
Portugal	75	+3	-0	-29
Greece	155	+8	+11	-48

Commodities							
	% Change						
	Close Day 4 Weeks End 22						
Brent Oil	90.89	+5.69	-3.24	+5.80			
West Texas Oil	87.67	+5.79	-3.48	+9.37			
Gold \$	1931.7	+3.37	+0.42	+5.88			

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