## **Morning Comment**

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## Modestly firmer tone to the dollar

There was a quiet start to what is a busy calendar of macro events/ data this week. Indeed, there were no releases of any note on either side of the Atlantic yesterday.

Investor sentiment had come into the week on the defensive, in part due to last Friday's weaker than expected US payroll data reigniting concerns over the outlook for the world's largest economy. The S&P 500 finished last week down over 4%.

However, there was some improvement in risk appetite yesterday amid the sparse macro diary. In Europe, the Euro Stoxx 50 posted a 0.9% daily gain. At close on Wall Street last night, the S&P 500 was 1.2% higher on the day. Meanwhile, on bond markets, the action was uneventful amongst the benchmark sovereigns, with their respective yields registering minimal changes.

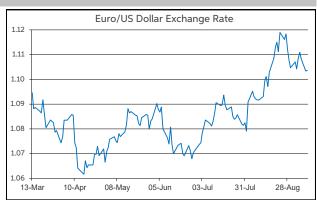
On the currency front, the majors operated within fairly confined trading ranges yesterday. The dollar was holding a modestly firmer tone against both the euro and sterling. This was reflected in EUR/USD edging below the midpoint of \$1.10-1.11 and GBP/USD trading under the \$1.31 threshold. Elsewhere, EUR/GBP remained within a very narrow corridor beneath the midpoint of 84-85p.

The schedule of macro data releases starts to pick up today. A raft of key UK labour market updates have already been published this morning. The unemployment rate eased to 4.1% in the three months to July, in line with expectations. Employment surpassed forecasts at +265,000 (vs. f'cast for 123,000). Meantime, average weekly earnings rose by 4.0% y/y (vs. forecast for 4.1%). Sterling is slightly firmer in the immediate aftermath of the data. The remainder of today's macro diary is quiet.

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Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2023	
EUR/USD	1.1037	-0.34	0.01	
EUR/GBP	0.8438	-0.05	-2.65	
GBP/USD	1.3078	-0.31	2.74	
GBP/EUR	1.1848	0.05	2.73	
USD/JPY	143.22	0.17	1.53	
EUR/JPY	158.08	-0.17	1.57	
* v Previous Day's European Open				
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Opening Interest Rates						
Money Market Swap Rates						
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	5.38	5.22	5.19	4.26	3.74	3.48
EUR	4.25	3.52	3.47	2.90	2.49	2.34
GBP	5.00	4.90	4.82	4.29	4.11	3.79









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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## **Opening Levels**



Eur	0
EUR/GBP	0.8438
EUR/USD	1.1037
EUR/JPY	158.08
EUR/SEK	11.4543
EUR/DKK	7.461
EUR/NOK	11.9546
EUR/CHF	0.9363
EUR/AUD	1.6554
EUR/HKD	8.6042
EUR/CAD	1.497

Sterling				
GBP/EUR	1.1848			
GBP/USD	1.3078			
GBP/CAD	1.7738			
GBP/NZD	2.1253			
GBP/JPY	187.3			
GBP/SEK	13.5698			
GBP/DKK	8.8412			
GBP/NOK	14.1643			
GBP/CHF	1.1094			
GBP/AUD	1.9615			

Dollar				
USD/JPY	143.22			
USD/CAD	1.3564			
USD/CHF	0.8483			
USD/CNY	7.1192			
USD/BRL	5.5833			
USD/RUB	90.8			
USD/INR	83.971			
AUD/USD	0.6667			
NZD/USD	0.6153			



US Swap Curve

5.50

5.25 5.00 4.75

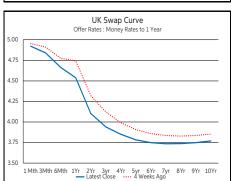
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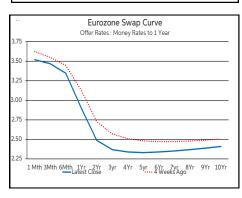
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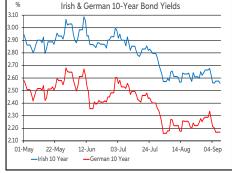
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1 Mth 3Mth 6Mth 1Yr 2Yr 3yr 4Yr 5yr 6Yr 7yr 8Yr 9Yr 10Yr Latest Close ···· 4 Weeks Ago



	Debt	Markets			
			Change bps		
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 23	
10 Year Yield %					
US	3.70	-1	-21	-16	
Germany	2.17	+0	-5	+14	
UK	3.86	-3	-6	+32	
Ireland	2.59	+0	-6	+22	
Belgium	2.78	+1	-6	+9	
France	2.88	-0	-9	+33	
Italy	3.55	-1	-9	-15	
Spain	3.00	-0	-8	+1	
Portugal	2.80	-0	-6	+2	
Greece	3.25	+1	-10	+17	
 5 Year Swap %					
US	3.43	-0	-26	-36	
Eurozone	2.33	-4	-14	-10	
UK	3.78	-7	-12	+13	
2 Year Swap %					
US	3.69	+3	-38	-64	
Eurozone	2.49	-5	-23	-31	
UK	4.10	-9	-21	-16	
10 Year Governme	nt Bond Spread	s to Benchn	 nark bps		
Ireland	42	+0	-1	+8	
Belgium	61	+1	-0	-5	
France	71	-0	-3	+18	
Italy	138	-1	-4	-29	
Spain	83	-O	-3	-14	
Portugal	63	-0	-0	-13	
Greece	108	+1	-5	+3	

Commodities						
		% Change				
	Close Day 4 Weeks End					
Brent Oil	71.84	+1.10	-12.71	-6.75		
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27		
Gold \$	2505.3	+0.33	+1.33	+21.46		

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