

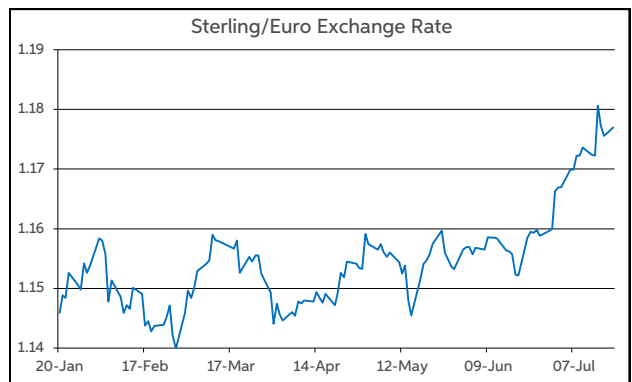
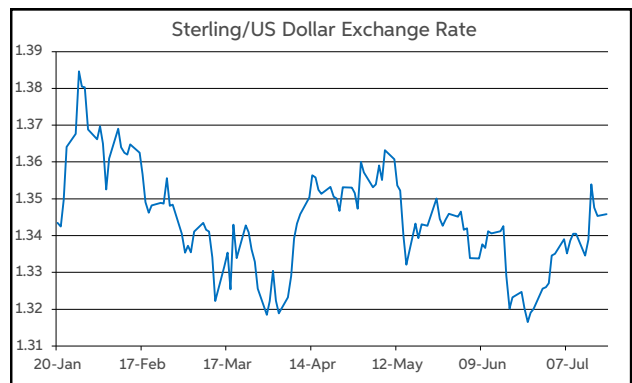
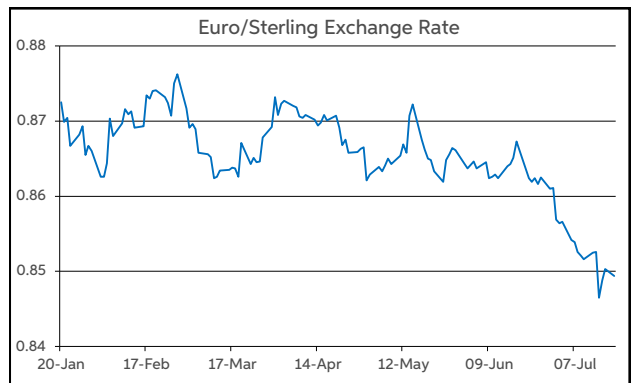
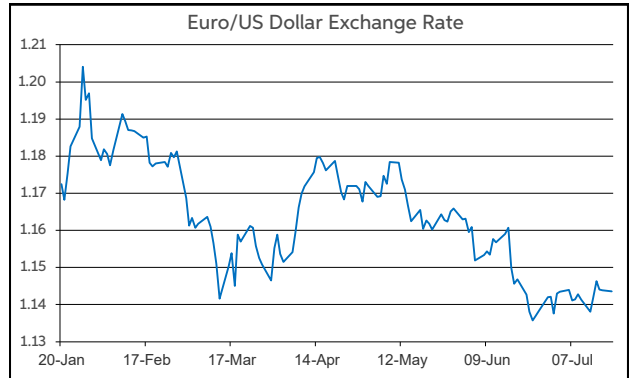
Geopolitical risks to the fore

The newsflow last week continued to be dominated by the Middle East conflict with US-Iran tensions showing no signs of abating. While oil prices did experience some upward pressure, for much of the week this was relatively contained, with Brent Crude operating in a \$84-86 per barrel range. However, the continuation of military strikes and reported incidents in the Strait of Hormuz over the weekend sees Brent Crude open this morning above \$90 per barrel. Meanwhile, there was a cautious tone to risk appetite last week. By the close on Wall Street on Friday night, the S&P 500 index was 1.6% lower on the week.

From a data viewpoint, the main release of note last week was US CPI inflation for June. Both the headline and core rates printed below expectations. In the immediate aftermath, this led to some softening in US rate expectations. This in turn also brought some downward pressure to bear on the dollar. At the same time, sterling experienced some upward momentum. Overall though, the extent of the FX moves was generally limited. However, we did see EUR/GBP fall to its lowest level since mid-2025, trading below 85p, to a trough of 84.5p, while GBP/USD briefly tested above \$1.35. As trading gets underway this morning, EUR/GBP is at 84.9p. EUR/USD is in the lower half of \$1.14-1.15, while GBP/USD is changing hands above the midpoint of \$1.34-1.35.

Ahead this week, the ECB meeting for July poses some event risk for the euro. While no rate change is anticipated, the market is pricing in a 25bps rate hike for September. Therefore, investors will be looking to the ECB communications to validate this pricing. Data-wise, the flash PMIs for June for the US, Eurozone and UK are due. There is a busy UK data diary which also includes labour market and CPI updates. Sterling watchers will also be paying attention to the appointment of a new Chancellor of the Exchequer.

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Today's Opening FX Rates			
		% Change	
		Day *	End 2025
EUR/USD	1.1436	0.01	-2.63
EUR/GBP	0.8494	-0.01	-2.54
GBP/USD	1.3458	0.01	-0.11
GBP/EUR	1.1767	0.01	2.60
USD/JPY	162.37	-0.02	3.65
EUR/JPY	185.72	-0.02	0.94

* 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	3.63	3.67	3.74	4.01	4.32	4.29
EUR	2.25	2.21	2.48	2.91	3.02	3.05
GBP	3.75	3.74	3.82	4.20	4.53	4.59

All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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Opening Levels

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Euro

EUR/GBP	0.8494
EUR/USD	1.1436
EUR/JPY	185.72
EUR/SEK	11.0439
EUR/DKK	7.4756
EUR/NOK	11.0159
EUR/CHF	0.9232
EUR/AUD	1.6364
EUR/HKD	8.9661
EUR/CAD	1.6021

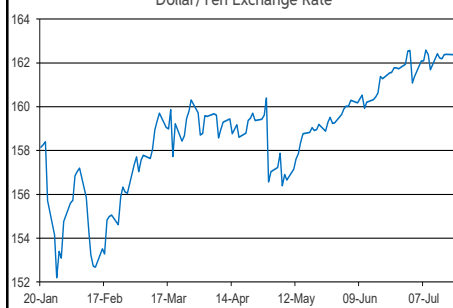
Sterling

GBP/EUR	1.1767
GBP/USD	1.3458
GBP/CAD	1.8854
GBP/NZD	2.3004
GBP/JPY	218.52
GBP/SEK	12.9956
GBP/DKK	8.7962
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GBP/CHF	1.0863
GBP/AUD	1.9261

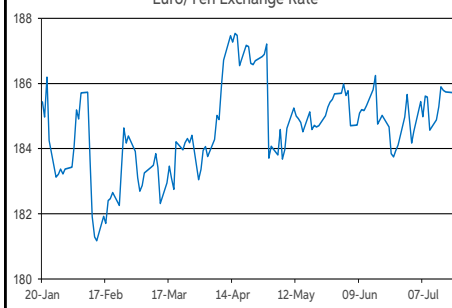
Dollar

USD/JPY	162.37
USD/CAD	1.4008
USD/CHF	0.8071
USD/CNY	6.7724
USD/BRL	5.1108
USD/RUB	78.6
USD/INR	96.5075
AUD/USD	0.6986
NZD/USD	0.5848

Dollar/Yen Exchange Rate

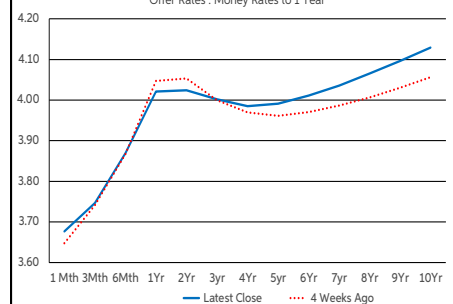


Euro/Yen Exchange Rate



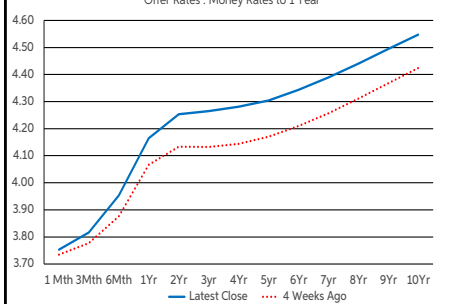
US Swap Curve

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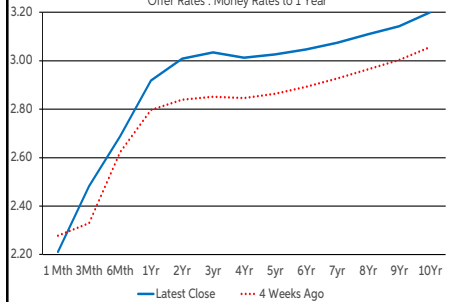
UK Swap Curve

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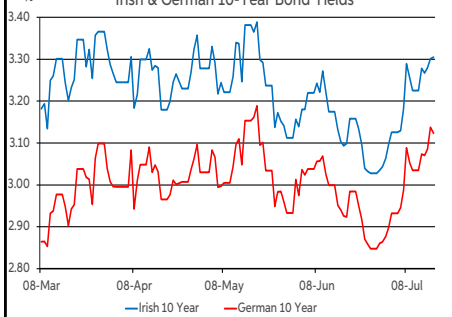


Eurozone Swap Curve

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Irish & German 10-Year Bond Yields



Debt Markets

	Close	Change bps		
		Day	4 Weeks	End 25
10 Year Yield %				
US	4.54	-3	+9	+39
Germany	3.12	-1	+14	+26
UK	4.96	-1	+12	+48
Ireland	3.30	+0	+15	+28
Belgium	3.67	+0	+14	+33
France	3.93	+0	+19	+37
Italy	3.96	+1	+25	+44
Spain	3.59	-1	+14	+30
Portugal	3.49	-1	+13	+33
Greece	3.85	+1	+21	+37
5 Year Swap %				
US	4.26	+0	+4	+53
Eurozone	3.00	+1	+15	+44
UK	4.55	+2	+14	+65
2 Year Swap %				
US	4.27	+2	-4	+69
Eurozone	2.98	+2	+14	+72
UK	4.49	+3	+12	+76
10 Year Government Bond Spreads to Benchmark bps				
Ireland	18	+2	+1	+2
Belgium	55	+1	+0	+7
France	80	+1	+5	+11
Italy	83	+2	+11	+18
Spain	47	+1	-0	+4
Portugal	36	+1	-1	+7
Greece	72	+3	+7	+11

Commodities

	% Change			
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 25
Brent Oil	88.1	+4.59	+9.35	+44.78
West Texas Oil	83.43	+4.25	+3.83	+45.70
Gold \$	4016.7	+1.18	-3.44	-6.89

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