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This week's highlights

EUR/\$ Broadly flat	Bond Yields Lower on the week	UK GDP +2.3% in April	US CPI Inflation Hits 5% in May
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Euro Area

- The euro was largely unchanged on the week as a whole against the dollar, trading a little above \$1.21
- ECB left policy on hold on Thursday and said it would continue its 'higher pace' of monthly bond purchases
- German 10-year bond yields fell for a second week in a row, declining by the best part of 10bps to -0.28%

UK

- GDP rose for a 3rd consecutive month in April, increasing by 2.3% from March leaving it up 27.6% y-o-y
- The pound fluctuated a bit but ended broadly flat against both the dollar and euro at about \$1.41 and 86p
- Government bond yields followed the path elsewhere with 10-year yields down about 10bps to 0.69%

US

- The annual rate of consumer price inflation rose further in May to 5.0%, the highest reading since Aug 2008
- Underlying inflation (i.e excluding energy and food prices) also picked up again, to a 30-year high of 3.8%
- US bonds led the general decline in yields this week, benchmark 10-year yields falling by 12bps to 1.45%

Ireland

- Annual consumer price inflation picked up to 1.7% in May, which is the highest reading since April 2019
- There were 7,337 new private cars licensed last month - this compared with just 1,490 in May 2020.
- Industrial production dipped by 0.2% in April from the previous month but was up 28.5% on April last year

Monday	EA Industrial Production
Tuesday	IRL Goods Exports & Imports; UK Labour Market Report; US Retail Sales, Industrial Production, PPI
Wednesday	IRL Residential Property Prices; EA Labour Costs; UK CPI; US Fed meeting, Housing Starts
Thursday	EA CPI, Construction Output; US Jobless Claims
Friday	EA Current Account; UK Retail Sales

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