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This week's highlights

EUR/\$ Lower on the week	Sterling Steady vs. the euro	German Bund Yield declines	US Payrolls +850k in June
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Euro Area

- The euro weakened slightly against the dollar, dropping about 1c to circa. \$1.1850
- German 10-year bond yield declined by around 8bps to -0.23%, while European equities were down for the week
- The EU Commission Economic Sentiment Indicator rose to a 21 year high in June, while consumer price inflation came in at 1.9%, in line with expectations

UK

- Sterling held steady versus the euro at 86p, and is down close to 1% versus the dollar
- House price inflation increased to 13.4% year-on-year in June according to the Nationwide measure, while mortgage approvals rose to 87.5k in May
- Lloyds business barometer for June unchanged at +33, though hiring expectations strengthened

US

- 10-year bond yield down marginally on the week to 1.44%, while equities made further gains with the S&P 500 pushing above the 4300 level
- Conference board consumer confidence rose strongly in June, to 127.3. Consumers were more upbeat about the economy and jobs while inflation expectations also increased
- Non-farm payrolls rose by 850k in June, versus expectations for +720k, while the unemployment rate ticked up to 5.9% from 5.8% in May

Ireland

- Retail sales continued to rebound, up 1.8% month-on-month in May, taking the year-on-year rate to +44%
- The unemployment rate declined to 7.6% in June, from 7.8% in May, while the covid-adjusted rate also fell, to 18.3% from 21.9% in May
- Manufacturing PMI registers 64.0 in June, broadly unchanged from its all-time high of 64.1 in May

Monday	IRL Services PMI; UK Services PMI, New Car Registrations; EA Services PMI
Tuesday	IRL Services Index; UK Construction PMI; US ISM Services Index; EA Retail Sales
Wednesday	IRL Industrial Production; US FOMC Minutes; EA EU Commission Summer Economic Forecasts
Thursday	IRL CPI; UK RICS House Price Survey; US Initial Jobless Claims
Friday	UK Monthly GDP, Trade Balance

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