Economic Research Unit

Weekly Round Up



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This week's highlights

EUR/\$

Euro area GDP

Rose 2.2% in Q3

Euro area CPI

+4.1% y/y in Oct

Up 0.5% in Q3

Euro Area

- Euro little changed overall against the dollar at about \$1.1650 albeit off its intra-week low of c.\$1.1575
- Economy expanded for a 2nd consecutive quarter in Q3 with GDP increasing by 2.2% q-o-q (+2.1% in Q2)
- The annual rate of CPI inflation accelerated to 4.1% in October, the highest reading since July 2008

UK

- Government 10-year bond yields fell back quite a bit this week, declining by 10bps or so to about 1.05%
- Sterling was flat on the week against the dollar and the euro at just under \$1.38 and 84.5p respectively
- Office for Budget Responsibility (OBR) expects GDP to increase by 6.5% this year and 6.0% next year

US

- The pace of GDP growth slowed in the third quarter of the year, to 0.5% q-o-q from 1.6% in Q2
- Annual rate of PCE inflation nudged up to 4.4% in October, but core rate at 3.6% for a 4th month running
- Benchmark government 10-year bond yields were marginally lower on the week at about 1.60%

Ireland

- The Economic Pulse came in at 87.6 in October, down 0.6 from September but up 31.1 on a year ago
- $\bullet \ \ \, \text{The volume of retail sales rose by 2.4\% q-o-q in the third quarter following a large gain of 11.7\% in Q2}\\$
- 10-year bond yields moved up again this week, increasing by more than 5bps to just shy of 0.35%

Monday
IRL New Dwelling Completions; UK Manufacturing PMI, Lloyds Business Barometer; US ISM Manufacturing
Tuesday
Manufacturing PMIs IRL,EA,US

Services PMIs IRL,EA,UK,US; IRL Unemployment; EA Unemployment; US Fed Meeting, ISM Services

IRL Services Index; EA PPI; UK BOE Meeting, Construction PMI; US Jobless Claims, Unit Labour Costs

IRL Live Register; EA Retail Sales; US Employment Report, Consumer Credit

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