## **Economic Research Unit**

# Weekly Round Up



11th August 2023 This week's highlights

EUR/\$

Marginally lower

**US Bond Yields** 

Higher again

**US CPI Inflation** 

Ticks up to 3.2%

**UK GDP** 

+0.5% in June

Euro Area

- The euro was marginally lower against the dollar on the week overall, trading just a little below \$1.10
- German 10-year bond yields were around 6bps higher at 2.62%, having traded below 2.50% at one point.
- ECB survey showed consumers' expectations for inflation 3 years ahead at 2.3% in June (2.5% in May)

UK

- GDP rose by 0.5% m-o-m in June, with positive contributions from, industry, construction and services
- For the second quarter (April-June) as a whole, the economy grew by 0.2% q-o-q and by 0.4% y-o-y
- The pound fell by about half a cent against the dollar to around \$1.27; little changed at 86.5p to the euro

US

- Annual rate of headline CPI inflation ticked up to 3.2% in Jul (3% in Jun); core rate dipped to 4.7% (4.8%)
- · Market pricing just a 20% chance of Fed hike in September, and 40% chance of hike before year-end.
- Government 10-year bond yields rose for a third week running, increasing by around 10bps to 4.15%

**Ireland** 

- The annual rate of CPI inflation fell for a fifth month running in July, coming in at 5.8% (after 6.1% in June)
- Volume of industrial output rose 0.3% in Q2, following a fall of 3.8% in Q1, and was up 3.6% on Q2'22
- Number of new private cars licensed in July (3,028) up 20% on Jul'22; for Jan-Jul (91.272) up 18% y-o-y

Mon Aug 14

**IRL** Agricultural Price Indices

Tue Aug 15

**IRL** Goods Exports & Imports; **EA** ZEW Index; **UK** Labour Market Report (Q2), Output Per Hour (Q2); **US** Retail Sales, NAHB Housing Market Index, Import Prices, Empire Manufacturing Index, Business Inventories

Wed Aug 16

**IRL** Residential Property Prices; **EA** GDP & Employment (Q2), Industrial Production; **UK** CPI, RPI, Producer Prices, House Prices; **US** Industrial Production, Housing Starts & Building Permits, Fed Minutes

Thu Aug 17

**IRL** Payroll Employees; **EA** Trade Balance; **US** Jobless Claims, Leading Index, Philadelphia Fed Manufacturing Index

Fri Aug 18

EA CPI, Construction Output; UK Retail Sales, Consumer Confidence; US

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