

Weekly Economic and Financial Market Snapshot

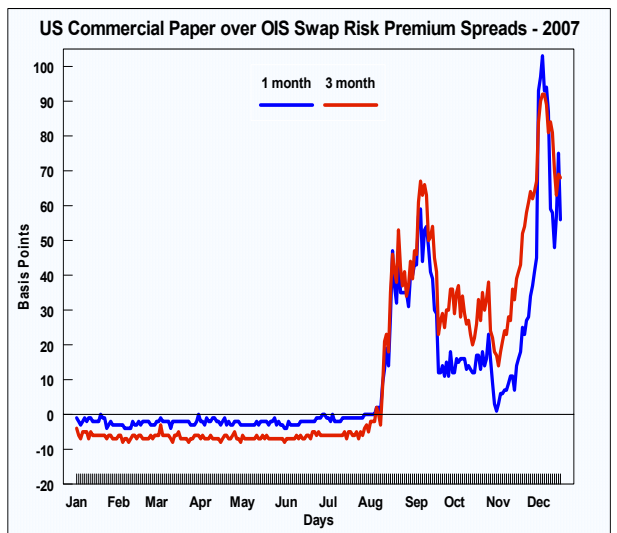
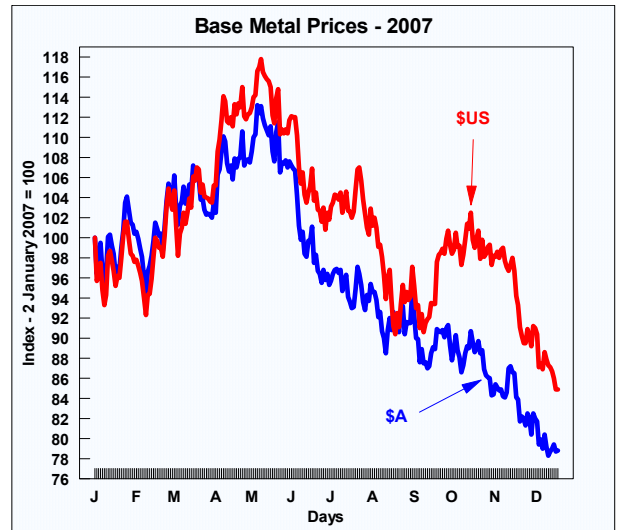
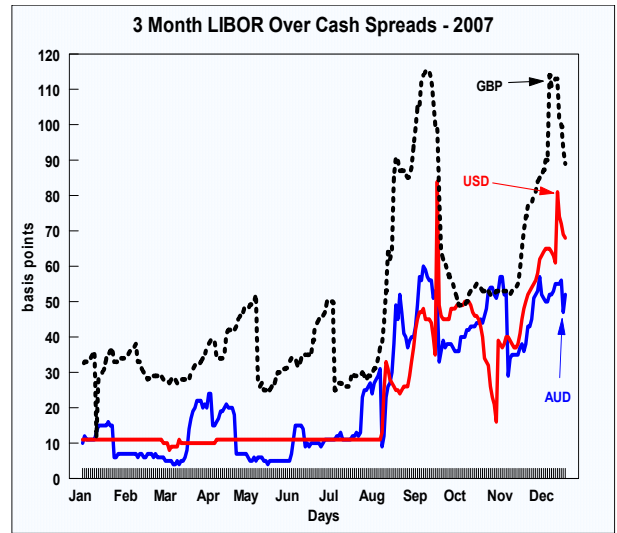
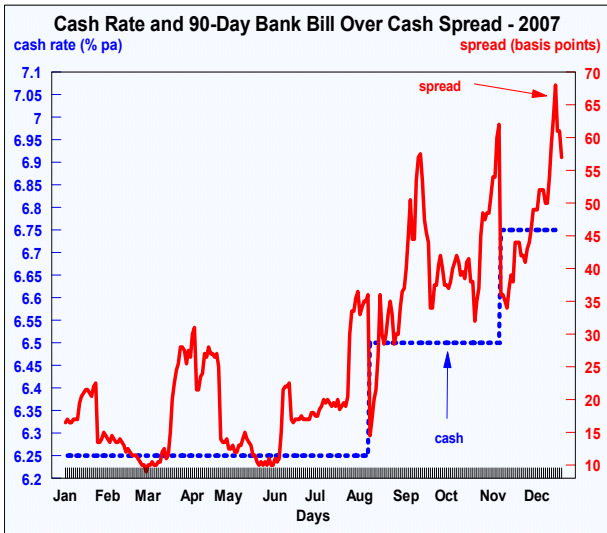
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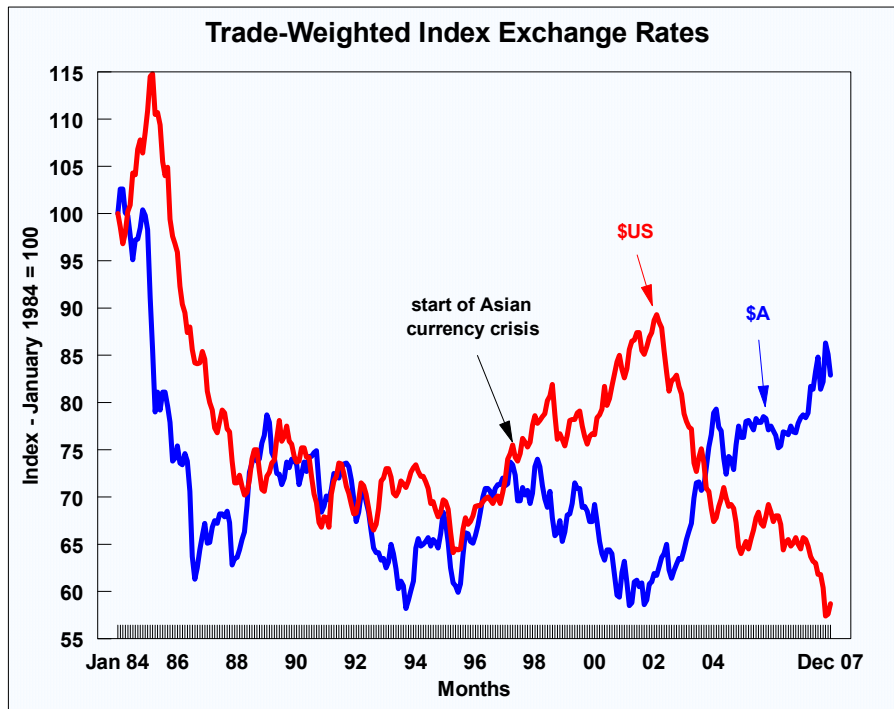
Indicative Rates & Prices ^(a)				
	Year Ago	Last Week	This Week	Today
Interest Rates				
(% pa)				
cash	6.25	6.75	6.75	6.75
bank bills				
30-day	6.35	7.04	7.22	7.20
90-day	6.39	7.28	7.37	7.32
180-day	6.50	7.37	7.45	7.46
Swaps				
1-year	6.47	7.33	7.41	7.42
3-year	6.43	7.35	7.50	7.54
5-year	6.41	7.34	7.49	7.53
10-year	6.28	7.03	7.13	7.16
Exchange Rates				
units of FX per \$A				
\$US	0.7830	0.8784	0.8686	0.8623
yen	92.3	97.8	97.9	97.7
euro	0.5953	0.5995	0.5981	0.5981
TWI ^(b)	64.3	68.4	68.0	67.8
Commodities				
gold (\$/ounce)				
\$US	621.83	792.59	798.08	805.20
\$A	792.04	902.03	918.96	933.78
oil (\$/barrel)				
\$US	62.80	90.16	91.81	90.49
\$A	79.77	100.93	105.69	104.94
base-metals ^(c)				
\$US	197.7	172.6	165.2	163.3
\$A	194.2	150.7	146.5	146.3
Equities				
All Ords	5,562	6,695	6,425	6,281
Dow	12,418	13,576	13,346	13,232

Notes: (a) Indicative wholesale prices/yields. With the exception of cash and all data in the "today" column, all observations are weekly averages ending Wednesday. Cash is snapshot on the Wednesday of the relevant week.

(b) Trade-weighted index value of \$AUD, based at May 1970 = 100.

(c) Composite index based on London Metal Exchange (LME) prices of aluminium, nickel, copper, zinc and lead; weighted by each metal's relative importance in the RBA's index of commodity prices. Base of index is 3 January 2005 = 100





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