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U.S. economic output will hit a new high by the end of June, a return to the pre-pandemic peak far ahead of the dire predictions of last year, St. Louis Fed president James Bullard said. Real gross domestic product hit a high of \$19.2 trillion at the end of 2019. For the first three months of 2021 it was \$19 trillion on an annualized basis, putting the United States close to completing its recovery from the pandemic downturn, Bullard said, and "moving into the expansion phase of the business cycle." Jobs by contrast have lagged, with 8.2 million fewer people working than before the pandemic. Meantime, Fed's Waller on Thursday became the latest Fed governor to try and dampen expectations for central bank action to curb rising prices that he sees as "temporary."

ECB's Stournaras says Europe not facing same inflation worries as U.S.

Europe is not facing the kind of inflation concerns seen in the United States and the current mix of monetary and fiscal policy is appropriate, European Central Bank Governing Council member Yannis Stournaras said on Thursday. "I think both fiscal and monetary policy are the right mix," Stournaras told the Delphi Economic Forum in Athens. He said that despite signs that financial markets were predicting inflation, in Europe models showed that "we have not yet to worry about inflation or not to worry as perhaps in the United States."

Germany's 2021 election and why it matters to markets

It's rare for German elections to be exciting, market-moving events but the one on Sept. 26 may prove the exception if its outcome completes the transformation of a nation long wedded to austerity into a big spender. The election will end Angela Merkel's 16-year stint at the helm of Europe's biggest economy, and the Greens have a chance to become the leading party in national government for the first time in their 40-year history. The implications could range from more environment-focused spending to greater euro zone cohesion. German bond yields have risen since the Greens nominated their first candidate for chancellor because of increased election uncertainty and a perception that increased fiscal spending could be on the way.

Dollar Up, but Inflation Set to Remain "Big Theme" Over Next Few Months

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 1.79, +2.00 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA, 10.5 years) was 1.85, +4.50 bps. LB29DA could be between 1.83-1.87. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 1.66%, -3.00bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 31.37 Moving in a range from 31.30-31.37 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 31.32-31.39 today. Meantime, The dollar was up on Friday morning in Asia, set to post a weekly gain. Investors are now beginning to assess the risk that U.S. inflation will rise faster and prompt central bank interest rate hikes sooner than expected.

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Currency Market

Currency 1M History		Last %Chg (1D)		%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
Carrency	Till Tilotory	Lust	7001ig (12)	700 ng (177)	700Hg (Hill)	Min	Max
Dollar Index	-	90.76	0.5%	-0.6%	-1.7%	90.25	93.09
EUR/USD		1.2074	-0.4%	0.6%	1.8%	1.1748	1.2149
USD/JPY	~~	109.58	0.7%	0.2%	-0.1%	107.71	110.64
USD/CHF	-	0.9087	0.4%	-0.6%	-2.4%	0.9005	0.9434
GBP/USD	~~~	1.4058	-0.4%	1.1%	1.7%	1.3693	1.4124
USD/CAD	-	1.2129	0.1%	-1.2%	-3.7%	1.2099	1.2623
AUD/USD		0.7727	-1.1%	-0.1%	0.9%	0.7603	0.7845
NZD/USD	m	0.7166	-1.0%	-0.6%	1.6%	0.7014	0.7275
ASEAN Dollar	r	108.24	0.2%	-0.2%	-0.6%	107.80	109.41
USD/THB	~~	31.33	0.4%	0.4%	0.1%	31.10	31.55
USD/SGD	~~	1.3333	0.4%	-0.2%	-0.4%	1.3239	1.3466
USD/MYR	~~	4.1254	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	4.0974	4.1435
USD/IDR	-	14,160	0.0%	-1.3%	-2.0%	14,154	14,551
USD/PHP	-	47.97	0.2%	-0.1%	-1.2%	47.85	48.63
USD/CNY	-	6.4441	0.3%	-0.4%	-1.4%	6.4102	6.5680
USD/HKD	~	7.7666	0.0%	0.0%	-0.1%	7.7557	7.7828

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

USTH FX Sp 1M History Last %Chg(1D) 1-month 0.65 0.10 3-month 1.50 0.10 6-month 2.50 0.00

Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn	Chg(1W)
Total	H1	250,372	-62	
Golds		11,228	512	
SDR	Illian	1,418	-4	
IMF Reserves	Illian	1,269	-4	
Foreign Ccy	III	236,456	-565	
Net Fwd Position		30,671	-760	

Last update: 30/04/2021

Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

Date	Equity	Bond	Total
13/05/2021	-2,458	-2,489	-4,947
12/05/2021	-3,256	6,711	3,455
11/05/2021	-2,024	140	-1,884
10/05/2021	-3,233	-2,692	-5,924
07/05/2021	3,282	105	3,387
Last 5 days	-7,688	1,774	-5,914
Period-t	o-date Equity	Bond	Total
MTD Month	⊎ -16,9	986 🏚 11,289	-5,697
QTD Quarter	-20 ,3	345 🦍 44,203	23,858
YTD Year	J -50,0	015 🦚 48,216	-1,799

Money Market

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THB	1M High	Lact	1M R	ange	THBFI	1M Hist	Last	1M Ra	ange	USD	1M Hist	Last	1M F	Range
BIBOR	BIBOR 1M Hist Last	Min Max	Max	X	IIVI MISL	Lasi	Min	Max	LIBOR	IIVI MISU	Lasi	Min	Max	
ON	~~~~	0.50	0.50	0.50	ON	man	0.39	0.33	0.54	ON	1	0.06	0.06	0.08
1W	my	0.52	0.52	0.52	1W	Mary	0.29	0.16	0.47	1W	may	0.07	0.07	0.09
1M	~~~	0.55	0.55	0.55	1M	man	0.28	0.15	0.40	1M	my	0.10	0.10	0.12
2M	-	0.58	0.58	0.58	2M	man.	0.32	0.22	0.41	2M	my	0.14	0.13	0.15
3M		0.62	0.62	0.62	3M	much	0.36	0.28	0.42	3M	my	0.16	0.16	0.20
6M	_~	0.73	0.73	0.73	6M	~~	0.37	0.30	0.41	6M	was	0.20	0.20	0.22
12M		0.95	0.95	0.95	12M	ham	0.45	0.38	0.50	12M	my	0.27	0.27	0.29
							Las	t Updated:	23/02/2021			Las	t Updated:	06/05/2021

Note: D=d=day; M=mth=month; Y=year; %chg = percentage change; chg = change; USTH FX Sp = USD/THB FX Swap point; \$mn=million US dollar; THB.mn= Thai baht million; Hist=history; THB implied = Thai baht rate that are calculated by FX forward rate; ASEAN Index = value average ASEAN FX Jan2008=100

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Fixed Income Market

Fixed Income	1M History	YTM (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W	/) Bps Chg (1M)	1M Ra	inge Max
LICTAO		4.0000	2.00	0.00	2.00		
UST10y	~~	1.6600	-3.00	8.00	2.00	1.56	1.69
Gilt 10y	~~~	0.9340	5.37	4.97	6.23	0.82	0.93
Bund 10y		-0.1700	3.00	4.00	15.00	-0.33	-0.16
JGB 10y	~~~	0.0980	1.60	0.70	-0.10	0.07	0.11
TGB 1y	~~	0.4594	0.37	1.65	0.12	0.44	0.46
TGB 2y	-	0.5240	0.47	0.98	2.27	0.46	0.54
TGB 5y		1.0403	0.36	4.21	-1.45	1.00	1.09
TGB 7y	-m	1.4184	1.04	4.86	-8.18	1.37	1.51
TGB 10y		1.7898	1.61	4.06	-14.61	1.75	1.96
AAA Spread	-	76.35	-1.58	-0.92	-10.16	76.35	86.72
AA Spread		74.81	-0.24	-1.06	2.17	70.88	75.90
A Spread		187.62	-0.06	9.91	16.05	170.56	187.74
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BBB Spread	***************************************	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Note: UST = US Treasury; Gilt = UK Government Bond; JGB = Japanese Government bond; Bund = German Government Bond; TGB = Thai government Bond; tenors of the bonds are put after their name; bps=basis point; Corporate spreads are Thai and reported in basis points over government bond for the tenors 3-5 years.

Commodity Market

Commodity	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W	9/ Chg. (1M	ı ,	1M Ra	ange
Commodity	TWI HISTORY	Lasi	//clig (TD)	/₀Cilg (1₩	/ ₀ Crig (TW	%Chg (1M)		Max
Brent Crude	~~~	60.75	-1.2%	-5.6%	-0.3%		58.31	67.93
London Gold	~~~	1814.3	-1.1%	1.2%	5.0%		1,728.1	1,837.2

Note: Unit of Brent crude oil price is \$/barrel; unit of gold price is \$/ounce

Equity Market

Equity Index	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M R	ange
Equity index	TW HISTORY	Lasi	//clig (TD)	/6Clig (1 VV)	/6City (TW)	Min	Max
S&P500 (US)		4,112.5	1.2%	-2.1%	-0.3%	2,467.4	4,232.6
STOXX (EU)	V	446.3	1.9%	0.7%	1.7%	328.0	446.9
FTSE All-Share(UK		3,694.0	-1.0%	-0.7%	2.0%	3,571.2	3,746.8
DAX (DE)	my	15,199.7	0.3%	0.0%	-0.1%	14,856.5	15,459.8
CAC All-Tradable(F	R	4,844.9	0.0%	-1.1%	0.9%	4,766.5	4,926.9
TOPIX (JP)		1,849.0	-1.5%	-4.1%	-5.3%	1,849.0	1,967.4
Shanghai (CH)	m	3,594.7	-1.0%	-0.3%	-0.6%	3,560.0	3,650.3
Hang Seng (HK)		27,718.7	-1.8%	-3.2%	-4.1%	27,718.7	29,303.3
ASX 200 (AU)	~~	6,982.7	-0.9%	-1.1%	-0.6%	6,974.0	7,172.8
SET (TH)	~~	1,548.1	-1.5%	-1.5%	-0.5%	1,541.1	1,596.3
SET50 (TH)	~~	938.3	-1.5%	-0.8%	-1.3%	929.6	976.1
Straits Times (SG)	~~~	3,123.3	-0.7%	-1.0%	-2.0%	3,123.3	3,221.6
FTSE Malay (MY)	~~~	1,582.5	0.3%	0.4%	-1.6%	1,575.7	1,623.5
JSX Index (ID)	~~~	5,938.4	-0.6%	-0.4%	-0.2%	5,927.4	6,086.3
PSE Index (PH)		6,236.4	-1.4%	-1.0%	-3.4%	6,236.4	6,545.2
Vn Index (VN)	~~~	1,262.0	-0.6%	0.9%	2.5%	1,215.8	1,269.1

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Note: A = actual, P = previous; C = consensus

Important Disclosures