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U.S. President Joe Biden's advisers are considering recommending Jerome Powell for a second term as Federal Reserve chair with Lael Brainard as chief regulator, Bloomberg News reported on Thursday. Biden is yet to weigh in on Fed personnel decisions and a decision by him is not expected until fall. Bloomberg has previously reported that Powell has the backing of Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen to remain as chair. Meantime, in Jackson Hole, "Powell is likely to say that the economy has made good progress and that if it continues down the recent path, tapering might start around year-end and proceed gradually," Cornerstone Macro analysts said. Powell is likely to draw a distinction between tapering and raising policy rates, "which would require more concrete long-term inflation concerns," according to Standard Chartered's Analyst.

Bridgewater's Jensen Says Fed Taper Will Be Faster Than Expected

The Federal Reserve will likely taper its asset purchases faster than the markets expect, and interest rates will rise more quickly as well, according to Greg Jensen of Bridgewater Associates, the world's largest hedge fund. "The economy is going to pull the Fed," Jensen, the firm's CIO, said on Thursday. "There's certainly inflation well above their target and we think it will continue to accelerate if the Fed doesn't move." "The biggest arbitrage you can take in the world right now is take what the policy makers are giving you," Jensen said. "They're giving you incredibly low interest rates relative to high nominal GDP growth." Meantime, Two Fed officials made hawkish comments this week urging the central bank to start tapering its asset-purchase program. Fed Chair Jerome Powell has struck a more patient tone and will give his take on the policy outlook Friday in Jackson Hole.

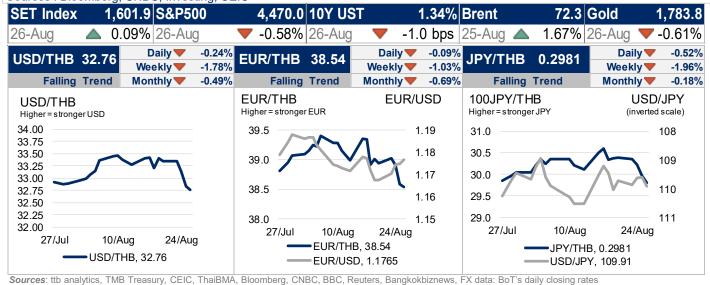
China cbank makes biggest weekly cash injection into banking system since Feb

China's central bank increased its short-term fund injection this week by offering the most cash on a net basis in nearly seven months to meet higher cash demand towards the month-end. The People's Bank of China (PBOC) said it offered 50 billion yuan (\$7.71 billion) through seven-day reverse repos into the banking system on Friday for the third straight session. Previously, the PBOC usually only injected a minimal 10 billion yuan during the month. The central bank attributed the higher daily injection to "maintain stable liquidity conditions at the end of the month". For the week, the PBOC has injected a net 120 billion yuan into the banking system, the largest weekly injection since the start of February.

Dollar Down as Investors Digest Hawkish Fed Comments Ahead of Jackson Hole

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 1.60, +0.00 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA, 10.5 years) was 1.61, +3.00 bps. LB31DA could be between 1.59 -1.64. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 1.34%, -1.00bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 32.74 Moving in a range from 32.62-32.83 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 32.62-32.72 today. Meantime, The dollar was down on Friday morning in Asia, with investors digesting hawkish comments from some U.S. Federal Reserve officials ahead of Chairman Jerome Powell's speech at the Jackson Hole symposium later in the day.







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Currency Market

Currency 1M History		Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W	/) %Chg (1M)	1M Ra	1M Range	
Currency	TWI HISTOTY	Lasi	/₀Citg (1D)	76Cilg (1VV	// //City (Tivi)	Min	Max	
Dollar Index	~~~	92.86	-0.1%	-0.6%	0.1%	91.95	93.58	
EUR/USD	~~	1.1765	0.1%	0.8%	-0.1%	1.1676	1.1879	
USD/JPY	ww	109.91	0.3%	-0.1%	-0.2%	108.95	110.53	
USD/CHF	~~~	0.9142	0.1%	-0.5%	-0.5%	0.9036	0.9246	
GBP/USD	~~~	1.3759	0.2%	0.3%	-0.1%	1.3619	1.3956	
USD/CAD	-	1.2607	0.0%	-0.7%	0.4%	1.2461	1.2846	
AUD/USD	~~~	0.7266	0.3%	0.9%	-1.6%	0.7138	0.7397	
NZD/USD	Jun	0.6962	0.3%	1.6%	-0.3%	0.6819	0.7048	
ASEAN Dolla	r ~~~~	108.88	-0.1%	-1.0%	-0.5%	108.88	110.01	
USD/THB	~~~	32.76	-0.2%	-1.9%	-0.5%	32.76	33.47	
USD/SGD	~~~	1.3521	-0.1%	-0.8%	-0.4%	1.3497	1.3669	
USD/MYR	~	4.1923	-0.4%	-1.1%	-0.7%	4.1923	4.2428	
USD/IDR	m	14,403	0.4%	-0.1%	-0.2%	14,279	14,478	
USD/PHP	~~~	49.83	-0.4%	-1.4%	-0.6%	49.75	50.67	
USD/CNY	m	6.4673	0.1%	-0.3%	0.1%	6.4498	6.4948	
USD/HKD	m	7.7785	0.1%	-0.2%	0.1%	7.7679	7.7936	

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

1M History Last %Chg(1D) USTH FX Sp 1-month **0.15** 0.15 3-month **0.70** -0.05 6-month **1.50** -0.20

Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn	Chg(1W)
Total	Himmet	243 957	-1278	
Golds	III	•		
SDR	III	•		
IMF Reserves	III	1,262	2	
Foreign Ccy	Illiania.	227,318	-1413	
Net Fwd Position	midlini	30,330	-360	

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Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

Date	Equity	Bond	Total
26/08/2021	-344	6,590	6,247
25/08/2021	3,607	21,020	24,626
24/08/2021	1,358	406	1,764
23/08/2021	2,782	-1,932	849
20/08/2021	-2,573	-1,559	-4,132
Last 5 days	4,830	24,525	29,355
Period-	to-date Equity	y Bond	Total
MTD Month	⊎ -6,5	24 🛖 41,81	3 🏚 35,289
QTD Quarter	· 🌵 -23,	544 🦍 51,09	7 • 27,553

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MTD	Month	Ψ.	-6,524	•	41,813	•	35,289
QTD	Quarter	Ψ.	-23,544	1	51,097	1	27,553
YTD	Year	•	-99,806	1	131,713	•	31,906

Money Market

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THB	1M Hist	Lact	1M R	ange	THBFI	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	USD	1M Hist	Last	1M R	Range
BIBOR	IIVI MISL	Lasi	Min	Max	X	IIVI MIST	Lasi	Min	Max	LIBOR	I IVI MIST	Lasi	Min	Max
ON	~WV	0.50	0.50	0.50	ON	-	0.39	0.33	0.54	ON	and a	0.08	0.08	0.09
1W	me	0.52	0.52	0.52	1W	many.	0.29	0.16	0.47	1W	man	0.09	0.08	0.09
1M	1	0.55	0.55	0.55	1M	ma	0.28	0.15	0.40	1M	mary.	0.09	0.09	0.10
2M	-	0.58	0.58	0.58	2M	ma	0.32	0.22	0.41	2M	my	0.10	0.10	0.12
3M	-	0.62	0.62	0.62	3M	man A	0.36	0.28	0.42	3M	m.	0.13	0.12	0.14
6M	-	0.73	0.73	0.73	6M	man	0.37	0.30	0.41	6M	when	0.15	0.15	0.16
12M	-	0.95	0.95	0.95	12M	man	0.45	0.38	0.50	12M	- who	0.24	0.23	0.24
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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	VTM (0/)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W	Bps Chg (1M)	1M Range	
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UST10y	~~~	1.3400	-1.00	10.00	8.00	1.19	1.36
Gilt 10y	~~	0.6222	0.12	-1.77	-3.27	0.60	0.70
Bund 10y	~~	-0.4600	2.00	3.00	-2.00	-0.50	-0.41
JGB 10y	~~	0.0240	-0.20	0.60	0.40	0.01	0.04
TGB 1y	-	0.4611	-0.09	0.10	-2.31	0.46	0.48
TGB 2y	-	0.4638	0.30	0.78	-4.42	0.45	0.51
TGB 5y	- The	0.7523	1.09	7.35	-6.04	0.68	0.82
TGB 7y	~	1.1179	0.88	10.43	-1.93	1.00	1.15
TGB 10y	~	1.6088	0.68	7.36	0.92	1.48	1.61
AAA Spread	-	73.46	-2.68	-2.32	0.82	72.29	76.15
AA Spread	~~~.	83.96	-0.18	0.37	1.59	82.07	85.74
A Spread		163.08	0.24	0.30	-14.76	161.91	180.52
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)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
Commodity	TWI THISTOTY	Lasi	/6Clig (1D)	/6Citg (1 VV)	70City (TW)	Min	Max
Brent Crude	~~~	60.75	-1.2%	-5.6%	-0.3%	58.31	67.93
London Gold	~~~	1783.8	-0.6%	-0.2%	-0.9%	1,729.6	1,828.3

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 Range	
Equity index	TWI HISTORY	Lasi	//clig (TD)	/6City (1VV)	//City (TW)	Min	Max
S&P500 (US)		4,470.0	-0.6%	1.5%	1.6%	2,467.4	4,496.2
STOXX (EU)	<u>~</u>	469.0	-0.2%	1.0%	2.2%	328.0	473.9
FTSE All-Share(UK		3,694.0	-1.0%	-0.7%	2.0%	3,571.2	3,746.8
DAX (DE)	~~~	15,860.7	-0.3%	-0.7%	2.2%	15,519.1	15,977.4
CAC All-Tradable(F	R)	5,123.5	-0.2%	1.0%	1.0%	5,016.2	5,273.7
TOPIX (JP)	www	1,935.4	0.0%	2.0%	-0.1%	1,880.7	1,956.4
Shanghai (CH)	man	3,670.0	-1.1%	1.0%	4.2%	3,523.2	3,710.6
Hang Seng (HK)	~	25,415.7	-1.1%	0.4%	-0.2%	24,849.7	26,660.2
ASX 200 (AU)	~~	7,491.2	-0.5%	0.4%	1.5%	7,379.3	7,628.9
SET (TH)	~~~	1,601.9	0.1%	3.7%	3.7%	1,521.7	1,601.9
SET50 (TH)	~~~	964.8	-0.1%	4.1%	4.5%	908.5	965.5
Straits Times (SG)	m	3,109.4	0.1%	0.7%	-0.9%	3,087.0	3,207.4
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,585.7	1.0%	4.7%	4.7%	1,489.8	1,585.7
JSX Index (ID)	~~~	6,058.1	-0.9%	1.1%	-0.8%	5,992.3	6,205.4
PSE Index (PH)	~~~	6,820.5	0.0%	1.5%	5.4%	6,270.2	6,822.2
Vn Index (VN)		1,301.1	-0.6%	-5.4%	1.9%	1,272.7	1,374.9

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

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