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China kept its benchmark interest rate for corporate and household lending unchanged on Monday, as expected, although analysts say the case for monetary stimulus is building amid mounting external risks to an already slowing economy. The one-year loan prime rate (LPR) was held at 3.70% while the five-year LPR remained at 4.60%. Markets now widely expect policymakers to resume monetary easing soon to revive an economy hit by a domestic COVID-19 resurgence, weaker credit growth and a faltering property sector, while increasing global risks from the Ukraine conflict also add pressure.

IMF says Fed tightening appropriate, adds to risks for emerging markets

The U.S. Federal Reserve is acting "appropriately" to tighten monetary policy and signal a higher future rate path, but the policy shift does bring risks for emerging market countries dependent on dollar funding, IMF spokesman Gerry Rice said on Thursday. Continuing to give clear forward guidance that reacts proportionately to shifts in the data will help keep inflation expectations anchored, Rice said. "This faster pace of Fed normalization increases the risks faced by other countries reliant on dollar funding, especially in emerging and developing economies."

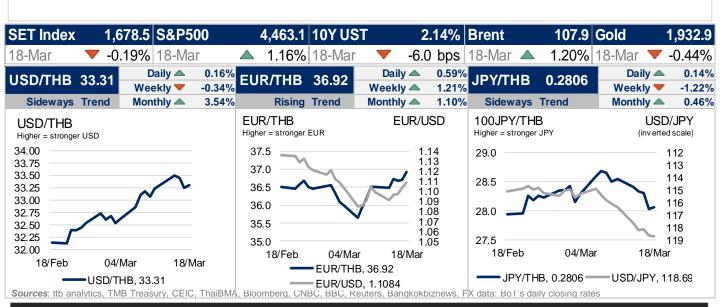
UK consumer spending in line with pre-pandemic level

British consumers' spending on credit and debit cards slipped back slightly in the week to March 10 to match its average level in February 2020, weekly Bank of England CHAPS data published by the Office for National Statistics showed on Friday. Retail footfall in the week to March 12 was up 3% on the week before and 87% of its level in the same week of 2019, the ONS said, based on Springboard data. Some 83% of consumers and 47% of businesses reported that prices had risen over the past month.

Dollar Up, Yen Down in a Tale of Two Central Banks

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.31, +2.00 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA) was 2.31, +4.00 bps. LB31DA could be between 2.24-2.32. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 2.14%, -6.00bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 33.31 Moving in a range from 33.30-33.45 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 33.35-33.50 today. The dollar was up on Monday morning in Asia, recording slight gains on the Japanese yen to as much as 119.3 yen and challenging the six-year peak of 119.39 touched on Friday. Moves in the pair could slow this week, but the dollar will climb further on the yen in the coming months as the gap between U.S. and Japanese interest rates widens.

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Currency Market											
Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W) %Chg (1N	1	M Range				
Currency	HWITISTOTY	Lasi	76 City (1D)	/8 Clig (1 W	// // // // // // // // // // // // //	') Min	Max				
Dollar Index		98.06	-0.3%	-0.5%	2.3%	95	5.85 99.22				
EUR/USD	-	1.1084	0.4%	0.8%	-2.5%	1.08	351 1.1367				
USD/JPY		118.69	0.0%	2.0%	2.9%	114	.66 118.69				
USD/CHF		0.9365	-0.4%	0.7%	1.6%	0.9	168 0.9399				
GBP/USD	-	1.3161	0.0%	0.6%	-3.1%	1.30	025 1.3615				
USD/CAD	~~~	1.2624	-0.4%	-1.2%	-0.6%	1.26	624 1.2883				
AUD/USD	~~~~	0.7378	1.0%	0.5%	2.6%	0.7	127 0.7406				
NZD/USD	~~~	0.6886	0.7%	0.5%	3.0%	0.66	625 0.6890				
ASEAN Dollar		107.64	0.1%	0.0%	1.3%	106	5.24 108.10				
USD/THB		33.31	0.2%	0.2%	3.3%	32	2.13 33.50				
USD/SGD		1.3546	-0.2%	-0.4%	0.9%	1.34	431 1.3665				
USD/MYR	~~~	4.1995	0.4%	0.2%	0.4%	4.17	780 4.2074				
USD/IDR	~~~~	14,292	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	14,2	252 14,397				
USD/PHP		52.34	0.4%	0.1%	2.0%	51	.17 52.43				
USD/CNY	~~~	6.3544	0.1%	0.5%	0.4%	6.30	035 6.3818				
USD/HKD		7.8187	0.1%	-0.1%	0.3%	7.79	934 7.8327				
FX Swap Mai	rket and BoT's	Reserves		Foreign Fund	d Flows (THB.mr	1)					
HETH EV Co	1M History	Lact	%Cha(1D)	Date	Fauity	Rond	Total				

Date	Equity	

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USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%C	hg(1D)	Date	Equity	Bond	Total
1-month	<u> </u>	0.15	0.15		03/03/2022	2,853	407	3,261
3-month		0.70			02/03/2022	2,911	-5,339	-2,428
6-month	·~~	1.50	-0.20		01/03/2022	4,022	-5,425	-1,403
Pacaryos (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn	Chg(1W)	28/02/2022	4,345	-6,703	-2,358
Reserves (\$mn)	SWITHSLOTY	Lasi	ΨΠΠΠ	Crig(1W)	25/02/2022	2,477	1,807	4,284
Total		245,318	2043		Last 5 days	16,609	-15,252	1,357
Golds		14,899	296		Period-	-to-date Equity	Bond	Total
SDR		5,703	1_			. ,		
IMF Reserves		1,240	0		MTD Month	9,787	-10,357	-570
Foreign Ccy		223,477	1746		QTD Quarter	r 🦣 87,121	142,169	1 229,290
Net Fwd Position		32,070	-840		YTD Year	97,121		229,290
		Last	update:	18/02/2022	I I D I Cal	η O1,121	ηr 142,103	T 229,290

Money Market

THB	1M Hist	Last	1M R	lange	THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M Ra	ange	USD	1M Hist	Last	1M F	Range
BIBOR	IIVI FIISL	Lasi	Min	Max	ПОГІЛ	IIII IIISL	Lasi	Min	Max	LIBOR	IIAI LII2f	Lasi	Min	Max
ON	tout	0.50	0.50	0.50	ON		0.39	0.33	0.54	ON		0.08	0.07	0.08
1W	~~~	0.52	0.52	0.52	1W	******	0.29	0.16	0.47	1W		0.00	0.00	0.00
1M		0.55	0.55	0.55	1M	~~~	0.28	0.15	0.40	1M	مسس	0.35	0.12	0.35
2M	~~~	0.58	0.58	0.58	2M	^~~	0.32	0.22	0.41	2M		0.00	0.00	0.00
3M	مسسر	0.63	0.62	0.63	3M	~~~	0.36	0.28	0.42	3M	مسس	0.75	0.34	0.75
6M	mu	0.73	0.73	0.73	6M	~~	0.37	0.30	0.41	6M	مسب	1.04	0.56	1.04
12M		0.95	0.95	0.95	12M		0.45	0.38	0.50	12M	مسم	1.49	1.00	1.49
							Last	t Updated: 2	23/02/2021			Las	t Updated:	09/03/2022

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 Jan 2008=100

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Fixed Income	4M History	YTM (%) Bps Chg (1D)		Bps Chg (1W)		Bps Chg (1M)		1M Range	
Fixed income	1M History	1 I IVI (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	bps Cng (1V	N)	bps City (TM)		Min	Max
UST10y	~~~	2.1400	-6.00	14.00		11.00		1.72	2.20
Gilt 10y	~~~	1.6248	5.74	11.79		4.80		1.16	1.62
Bund 10y		0.3700	1.00	11.00		11.00		-0.07	0.37
JGB 10y	~~~~	0.2130	0.00	1.50		-0.60		0.14	0.23
TGB 1y	٠,٠٠٠	0.5218	0.45	0.78		1.38	1	0.51	0.52
TGB 2y		0.5218	0.45	0.76 1.56		-3.62		0.67	0.52
TGB 5y		1.4113	0.36	-1.29		-3.62 -0.66	7	1.30	1.46
TGB 7y		1.9739	0.77	3.99		15.32		1.72	2.01
TGB 10y		2.3104	1.25	2.01		11.18		2.10	2.35
		20.00		0.45		0.04		05.00	00.00
AAA Spread	~~~~~	66.68	0.05	0.45		-2.21	Ų	65.33	68.89
AA Spread		83.87	0.53	4.46		2.67		79.40	84.03
A Spread		129.22	0.03	-3.84		-7.57		129.05	137.05
BBB Spread		379.95	0.01	45.09		25.94		334.86	379.95

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)	% Cha (1\M)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
Commodity	TWI FIISTOLY	Lasi	//City (1D)	%Chg (1W)	76 City (TW)	Min	Max
Brent Crude	~~~~	60.75	-1.2%	-5.6%	-0.3%	58.31	67.93
London Gold		1932.9	-0.4%	-2.9%	2.5%	1,854.4	2,017.2

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 Range		
Equity IIIuex	TWITHSTOTY	Lasi	70 Gilg (1D)	70 City (1 W)	70 Grig (TW)	Min	Max	
C 0 D C 00 (LIC)		4.400.4	4.00/	0.00/	4.00/	0.407.4	4 475 0	
S&P500 (US)	V	4,463.1	1.2%	6.2%	1.9%	2,467.4	4,475.0	
STOXX (EU)	7	415.8	-3.7%	1.5%	-8.8%	328.0	458.7	
FTSE All-Share(UK)		3,694.0	-1.0%	-0.7%	2.0%	3,571.2	3,746.8	
DAX (DE)		14,413.1	0.2%	5.8%	-5.6%	12,831.5	15,412.7	
CAC All-Tradable(F	R) ~~~	5,035.5	0.2%	5.7%	-4.5%	4,525.3	5,300.0	
TOPIX (JP)		1,909.3	0.5%	6.1%	-1.9%	1,758.9	1,946.6	
Shanghai (CH)		3,407.6	1.1%	-1.8%	-6.2%	3,211.4	3,658.5	
Hang Seng (HK)		21,412.4	-0.4%	4.2%	-13.6%	18,415.1	24,792.8	
ASX 200 (AU)	~~~	7,294.4	0.6%	3.3%	0.0%	6,980.3	7,296.2	
SET (TH)	~~~	1,678.5	-0.2%	1.2%	-1.9%	1,619.1	1,713.2	
SET50 (TH)	~~~	1,015.0	-0.4%	1.0%	-2.0%	983.0	1,035.9	
Straits Times (SG)	-	3,330.6	0.2%	2.5%	-3.2%	3,148.9	3,441.6	
FTSE Malay (MY)	~~~	1,591.3	0.0%	1.5%	-0.9%	1,546.9	1,618.5	
JSX Index (ID)	~~~~	6,955.0	-0.1%	0.5%	2.2%	6,734.5	6,992.4	
PSE Index (PH)		7,007.6	-1.6%	-1.5%	-6.0%	6,817.0	7,452.8	
Vn Index (VN)		1,469.1	0.5%	0.2%	-2.6%	1,446.3	1,512.3	

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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