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Japan Services PMI Drops to 6-Month Low while Manufacturing PMI Rebounds above 50

The Japan Services PMI fell to 45.8 in February 2021 from a final 46.1 in January. This was the 13th straight month of contraction in the service sector and the lowest reading in six months, as businesses struggled to mitigate the impact from emergency measures taken to curb the spread of coronavirus in Tokyo and nine other prefectures. However, The Japan Manufacturing PMI increased to 50.6 in February 2021 from a final 49.8 a month earlier. This was the first expansion in factory activity since April 2019 and the fastest since December 2018, as the economy gradually recovered from the worst of COVID-19 shocks. Both output and new orders expanded. Meantime, employment expanded for the first time since February 2020.

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The United States will keep tariffs imposed on Chinese goods by the former Trump administration in place for now, but will evaluate how to proceed after a thorough review, Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen told CNBC on Thursday. The deal eased tensions between the world's two largest economies after a damaging trade war that U.S. experts estimate led to a peak loss of 245,000 U.S. jobs, but most of the tariffs remain in place on both sides. China pledged to buy \$200 billion in additional U.S. goods and services over two years under the interim deal signed by Trump in January 2020, but Beijing fell 42% short of its target for last year.

BOJ may replace some ETF guidelines with pledge to step in during crisis

The Bank of Japan may replace some numerical guidelines for its purchases of exchange-traded funds (ETF) with a pledge to ramp up buying when markets become volatile, three sources familiar with its thinking said. The move would allow the BOJ to more flexibly slow purchases when markets are stable, while reassuring investors it will step in forcefully when shock events trigger turbulence, they said. While there is no consensus on the final decision, the idea is among options being floated within the BOJ ahead of a review of its policy tools due in March, the sources told Reuters.

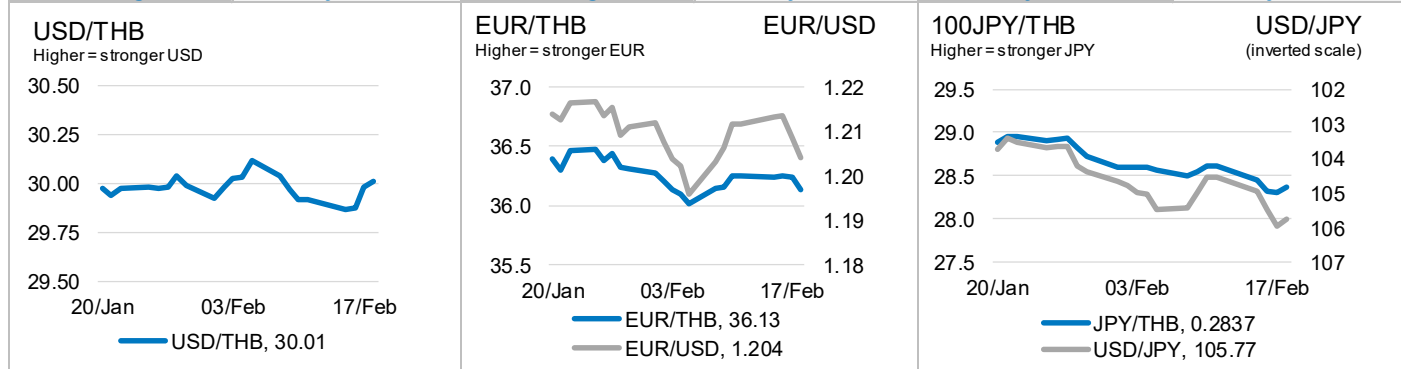
Dollar Set for Small Weekly Gain

The benchmark government bond yield (LB29DA, 8.8 years) on the previous trading day was 1.40, +0.00 bps. Thai benchmark government bond yield (LB29DA) could be between 1.38-1.42. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 1.29%, +0.00bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 30.02 Moving in a range from 29.98-30.03 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 29.98-30.03 today. Meantime, The dollar index gained some ground on Friday, consolidating above the 90.60 region and on track for a small weekly gain as higher US Treasury yields drove investors to the greenback.

Sources : Bloomberg, CNBC, Investing, CEIC

SET Index 1,511.0	S&P500 3,914.0	10Y UST 1.29%	Brent 64.3	Gold 1,782.8
18-Feb ▼ -0.26%	18-Feb ▼ -0.44%	18-Feb ▲ 0.0 bps	17-Feb ▲ 1.55%	18-Feb ▼ -0.34%

USD/THB 30.01	Daily ▲ 0.09%	EUR/THB 36.13	Daily ▼ -0.29%	JPY/THB 0.2837	Daily ▲ 0.26%
Weekly ▲ 0.31%	Weekly ▼ -0.32%	Monthly ▼ -0.71%	Weekly ▼ -0.87%	Monthly ▼ -1.83%	
Monthly ▲ 0.11%	Monthly ▼ -0.71%	Monthly ▼ -0.71%	Monthly ▼ -1.83%	Monthly ▼ -1.83%	



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Currency Market

Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
Dollar Index		90.92	0.2%	0.5%	0.3%	90.15	91.55
EUR/USD		1.2040	-0.4%	-0.6%	-0.4%	1.1959	1.2167
USD/JPY		105.77	-0.2%	1.2%	1.9%	103.43	105.95
USD/CHF		0.8984	0.6%	0.7%	0.9%	0.8852	0.9040
GBP/USD		1.3862	-0.1%	0.3%	1.9%	1.3571	1.3932
USD/CAD		1.2709	0.0%	0.1%	-0.2%	1.2629	1.2844
AUD/USD		0.7755	0.1%	0.2%	0.6%	0.7592	0.7790
NZD/USD		0.7186	-0.1%	-0.6%	0.8%	0.7121	0.7246
ASEAN Dollar		103.28	0.1%	0.2%	-0.1%	102.77	103.68
USD/THB		30.01	0.1%	0.3%	-0.1%	29.86	30.12
USD/SGD		1.3276	-0.1%	0.2%	-0.1%	1.3219	1.3376
USD/MYR		4.0367	-0.1%	-0.1%	-0.3%	4.0300	4.0714
USD/IDR		13,988	0.4%	0.4%	-0.3%	13,873	14,030
USD/PHP		48.38	0.1%	0.8%	0.9%	47.94	48.38
USD/CNY		6.4331	0.0%	0.3%	-0.6%	6.4135	6.4813
USD/HKD		7.7484	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	7.7443	7.7540

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%Chg(1D)
1-month		0.50	-0.10
3-month		1.10	0.00
6-month		2.25	0.00

Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn Chg(1W)
Total		255,752	-1086
Gold		8,963	-171
SDR		1,423	-5
IMF Reserves		1,280	-4
Foreign Ccy		244,087	-906
Net Fwd Position		30,385	570

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Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

Date	Equity	Bond	Total	
18/02/2021	-1,694	-465	-2,159	
17/02/2021	-1,646	-2,340	-3,986	
16/02/2021	2,185	-584	1,602	
15/02/2021	1,651	-647	1,004	
11/02/2021	-4,344	708	-3,637	
Last 5 days	-3,848	-3,328	-7,176	
	Period-to-date	Equity	Bond	Total
MTD	Month	↓ -5,381	↓ -2,114	↓ -7,495
QTD	Quarter	↓ -16,284	↓ -1,999	↓ -18,283
YTD	Year	↓ -16,284	↓ -1,999	↓ -18,283

Money Market

THB BIBOR	1M Hist	Last	1M Range		THBFI X	1M Hist	Last	1M Range		USD LIBOR	1M Hist	Last	1M Range	
			Min	Max				Min	Max				Min	Max
ON		0.50	0.50	0.50	ON		0.45	0.22	0.48	ON		0.08	0.08	0.09
1W		0.52	0.52	0.52	1W		0.44	0.16	0.44	1W		0.09	0.08	0.10
1M		0.55	0.55	0.55	1M		0.31	0.15	0.35	1M		0.11	0.11	0.13
2M		0.58	0.58	0.59	2M		0.31	0.22	0.36	2M		0.15	0.15	0.19
3M		0.63	0.62	0.63	3M		0.31	0.28	0.38	3M		0.20	0.19	0.24
6M		0.74	0.73	0.74	6M		0.33	0.30	0.37	6M		0.21	0.21	0.25
12M		0.95	0.95	0.95	12M		0.43	0.38	0.44	12M		0.30	0.30	0.33

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Last Updated: 11/02/2021

Note: D=d=day; M=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

Fixed Income	1M History	YTM (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
UST10y		1.2900	0.00	14.00	19.00	1.04	1.30
Gilt 10y		0.6786	5.12	16.47	33.46	0.31	0.68
Bund 10y		-0.3600	2.00	8.00	16.00	-0.55	-0.36
JGB 10y		0.1040	2.10	3.20	5.50	0.03	0.10
TGB 1y		0.4846	0.44	3.95	8.37	0.40	0.48
TGB 2y		0.5295	-0.24	3.30	7.46	0.44	0.53
TGB 5y		0.8738	0.17	8.24	14.08	0.70	0.87
TGB 7y		1.1663	-0.59	11.66	18.78	0.93	1.17
TGB 10y		1.4728	-0.40	9.99	16.14	1.29	1.48
AAA Spread		119.32	-0.02	-5.14	-5.56	119.32	124.93
AA Spread		78.26	-0.29	-6.44	-29.61	78.26	107.87
A Spread		194.46	2.35	4.90	8.53	185.54	194.46
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	
						Min	Max
Brent Crude		60.75	-1.2%	-5.6%	-0.3%	58.31	67.93
London Gold		1782.8	-0.3%	-3.2%	-3.9%	1,782.8	1,867.7

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	
						Min	Max
S&P500 (US)		3,914.0	-0.4%	-0.1%	1.6%	2,467.4	3,934.8
STOXX (EU)		417.1	0.9%	1.4%	2.5%	328.0	417.1
FTSE All-Share(UK)		3,621.0	-1.3%	1.2%	-1.5%	3,505.9	3,696.8
DAX (DE)		13,886.9	-0.2%	-1.1%	-0.2%	13,432.9	14,109.5
CAC All-Tradable(FR)		4,453.6	-0.7%	0.7%	1.4%	4,214.6	4,503.3
TOPIX (JP)		1,941.9	-1.0%	0.6%	4.6%	1,808.8	1,965.1
Shanghai (CH)		3,852.8	0.6%	5.0%	2.1%	3,651.0	3,852.8
Hang Seng (HK)		30,595.3	-1.6%	3.8%	6.0%	28,283.7	31,084.9
ASX 200 (AU)		6,885.9	0.0%	0.5%	2.1%	6,607.4	6,917.3
SET (TH)		1,511.0	-0.3%	-0.4%	-0.8%	1,467.0	1,523.1
SET50 (TH)		938.1	-0.4%	-1.3%	-2.1%	916.7	958.2
Straits Times (SG)		2,908.9	-0.4%	-0.6%	-2.9%	2,896.3	3,017.2
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,575.8	-1.2%	-1.3%	-3.1%	1,566.4	1,636.7
JSX Index (ID)		6,200.3	-0.4%	0.0%	-1.9%	5,862.4	6,429.8
PSE Index (PH)		6,849.6	-1.7%	-3.3%	-4.8%	6,612.6	7,238.5
Vn Index (VN)		1,174.4	1.6%	5.6%	-1.0%	1,023.9	1,194.2

Sources: TMB Analytics, CEIC

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

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