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The average interest rate on the most popular U.S. home loan remained last week at its highest level since November as stronger-than-expected readings on inflation, job gains and consumer spending caused investors to hike their bets that the Federal Reserve will have to keep raising its policy rate through the summer. The average contract rate on a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage increased by 9 basis points to 6.71% for the week ended Feb. 24, data from the Mortgage Bankers Association (MBA) showed on Wednesday, a third weekly rise in mortgage rates after several weeks of declines. That rate has risen more than 50 basis points over the past month. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note acts as a benchmark for mortgage rates. Mortgage rates soared to more than 7% last October as the U.S. central bank raised its benchmark policy rate in 2022 at the fastest pace in 40 years but began to ebb after signs late last year that inflation was on the wane.

**Japan corporate capex rises despite weaker profits**

Japanese companies raised spending on plant and equipment for a seventh straight quarter in the final three months of 2022, data released on Thursday showed, offering relief to policymakers counting on a private demand-led recovery from COVID. Ministry of Finance (MOF) data out on Thursday showed Japanese firms raised capital expenditure in October-December by 7.7% from the same period a year earlier. It was the seventh straight quarter of annual gains. The data is used to calculate revised gross domestic product (GDP) figures due on March 9. Preliminary estimates showed Japan's economy rebounded an annualized 0.6% in the fourth quarter. The weaker-than-expected GDP growth was caused by a decline in capital spending, raising some doubt about whether the world's No. 3 economy can return to growth through private-sector investment and wage hikes which would in turn boost consumption.

**German inflation unexpectedly accelerates in February**

German consumer prices, harmonized to compare with other European Union countries, rose more than anticipated in February, pointing to no let-up in stubborn cost pressures and pushing up European Central Bank rate hike expectations. EU-harmonized prices rose by 9.3% compared with the same month a year before, preliminary data from the federal statistics office showed on Wednesday, beating analyst expectations of a rise of 9.0% and slightly higher than January's 9.2% increase. Compared to January, prices increased by 1.0%, the office added, also beating forecasts of a 0.7% month-on-month rise. Prices for food and energy in particular have risen since the start of the war in Ukraine and significantly influence inflation, said the statistics office.

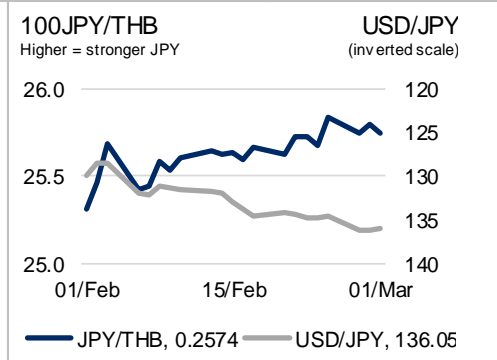
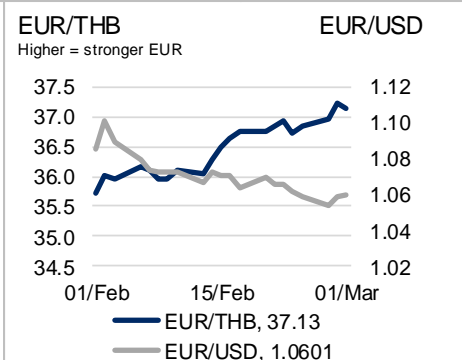
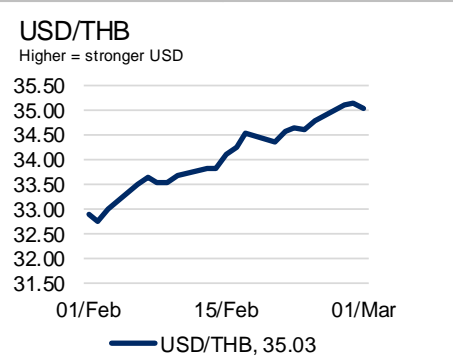
**Dollar drops as commodity currencies gain on China optimism; euro rises on hot inflation**

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.58, -0.91 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA) was 2.95, -3.0 bps. LB31DA could be between 2.70-3.20. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 4.01 +9.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 35.03 Moving in a range of 34.68-34.90 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 34.70-35.20 today. The U.S. dollar fell across the board on Wednesday, weighed down by firmer commodity currencies that benefited from China's strong manufacturing activity data, as well as gains in the euro after German inflation soared last month and raised rate hike expectations in the euro zone. Along with the Australian and New Zealand dollars, China's yuan rose after data showed Chinese manufacturing activity expanded at its fastest pace in a decade, smashing expectations. The official manufacturing purchasing managers' index (PMI) shot up to 52.6 last month from 50.1 in January. China's non-manufacturing activity also grew at a faster pace in February, and the Caixin/S&P Global manufacturing PMI reading for last month surpassed market expectations.

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<b>SET Index</b>	<b>1,620.0</b>	<b>S&amp;P500</b>	<b>3,951.4</b>	<b>10Y UST</b>	<b>4.01%</b>	<b>Brent</b>	<b>83.1</b>	<b>Gold</b>	<b>1,833.5</b>
1-Mar	▼ -0.15%	1-Mar	▼ -0.47%	1-Mar	▲ 9.0 bps	28-Feb	▼ -1.27%	1-Mar	▲ 1.28%

<b>USD/THB</b>	<b>35.03</b>	<b>EUR/THB</b>	<b>37.13</b>	<b>JPY/THB</b>	<b>0.2574</b>
Daily ▼ -0.31%	Weekly ▲ 1.27%	Daily ▼ -0.22%	Weekly ▲ 1.13%	Daily ▼ -0.22%	Weekly ▲ 0.25%
Monthly ▲ 6.26%	Monthly ▲ 3.88%	Monthly ▲ 1.70%			



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Currency Market

Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
Dollar Index		104.78	-0.5%	0.7%	2.6%	101.02	105.28
EUR/USD		1.0591	0.5%	-0.6%	-2.4%	1.0538	1.1007
USD/JPY		136.18	0.0%	1.1%	4.7%	128.49	136.24
USD/CHF		0.9368	-0.5%	1.1%	1.4%	0.9076	0.9415
GBP/USD		1.2051	0.9%	-0.5%	-2.5%	1.1943	1.2406
USD/CAD		1.3589	-0.2%	0.4%	1.5%	1.3292	1.3618
AUD/USD		0.6731	0.2%	-1.6%	-4.5%	0.6717	0.7138
NZD/USD		0.6157	0.1%	-1.2%	-4.8%	0.6150	0.6520
ASEAN Dollar		106.08	0.6%	1.2%	3.9%	101.41	106.08
USD/THB		35.14	0.1%	1.4%	7.2%	32.69	35.14
USD/SGD		1.3475	-0.2%	0.6%	2.6%	1.3047	1.3505
USD/MYR		4.4763	0.2%	0.9%	5.5%	4.2282	4.4763
USD/IDR		15,214	-0.1%	0.1%	1.7%	14,881	15,235
USD/PHP		55.30	-0.2%	0.3%	1.3%	53.88	55.40
USD/CNY		6.9407	0.0%	0.8%	2.9%	6.7115	6.9708
USD/HKD		7.8455	-0.1%	0.0%	0.2%	7.8237	7.8593

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%Chg(1D)
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		221,135	-1488
Gold		14,458	-181
SDR		5,456	-12
IMF Reserves		1,253	-3
Foreign Ccy		199,968	-1292
Net Fwd Position		26,440	120

Last update: 17/02/2023

Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

Date	Equity	Bond	Total
01/03/2023	-3,017	5,391	2,374
28/02/2023	-3,397	2,553	-844
27/02/2023	-2,381	-1,298	-3,678
24/02/2023	-5,123	-807	-5,930
23/02/2023	-2,900	-4,935	-7,835
Last 5 days	-16,817	904	-15,913

	Period-to-date	Equity	Bond	Total
MTD	Month	↓ -3,017	↑ 5,391	↑ 2,374
QTD	Quarter	↓ -28,185	↓ -3,161	↓ -31,346
YTD	Year	↓ -28,185	↓ -3,161	↓ -31,346

Money Market

THB BIBOR	1M Hist	Last	1M Range		THB FIX	1M Hist	Last	1M Range		USD LIBOR	1M Hist	Last	1M Range	
			Min	Max				Min	Max				Min	Max
ON		1.50	1.25	1.50	ON		1.22	0.43	1.30	ON		0.08	0.07	0.08
1W		1.53	1.28	1.53	1W		1.17	0.22	1.21	1W		0.00	0.00	0.00
1M		1.58	1.40	1.58	1M		1.16	0.73	1.19	1M		0.35	0.11	0.35
2M		1.68	1.47	1.68	2M					2M		0.00	0.00	0.00
3M		1.75	1.52	1.75	3M		1.41	1.10	1.41	3M		0.75	0.27	0.75
6M		1.92	1.70	1.92	6M		1.64	1.43	1.64	6M		1.04	0.45	1.04
12M		2.08	1.90	2.08	12M		2.01	1.77	2.03	12M		1.49	0.79	1.49

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Last Updated: 09/03/2023

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

## Fixed Income Market

Fixed Income	1M History	YTM (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Chg (1M)	1M Range				
						Min	Max			
UST10y		<b>4.0100</b>	9.00		8.00		62.00		3.39	4.01
Gilt 10y		<b>3.7797</b>	4.60		20.75		41.51		3.10	3.78
Bund 10y		<b>2.7200</b>	8.00		18.00		59.00		2.09	2.72
JGB 10y		<b>0.5240</b>	-0.80		-0.60		9.40		0.40	0.53
TGB 1y		<b>1.7406</b>	0.16		1.01		16.36		1.48	1.74
TGB 2y		<b>1.9001</b>	0.16		0.83		10.63		1.78	1.90
TGB 5y		<b>2.2014</b>	0.97		3.32		11.81		2.04	2.20
TGB 7y		<b>2.3962</b>	0.00		0.66		12.61		2.20	2.40
TGB 10y		<b>2.5767</b>	-0.91		-1.05		5.38		2.45	2.60
AAA Spread		<b>72.99</b>	-0.01		-0.91		-0.25		72.06	75.12
AA Spread		<b>94.02</b>	-0.45		-0.44		0.11		89.95	95.55
A Spread		<b>123.55</b>	-0.02		-0.23		-2.23		123.54	127.93
BBB Spread		<b>225.54</b>	-0.04		-0.06		-0.02		225.54	225.86

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		<b>83.12</b>	1.3%		0.1%		-4.1%		79.94	87.47
London Gold		<b>1833.5</b>	1.3%		0.0%		-4.9%		1,809.1	1,954.9

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)		<b>3,951.4</b>	-0.5%		-1.0%		-0.5%		2,467.4	4,147.6
STOXX (EU)		<b>450.5</b>	-1.2%		-1.1%		1.8%		442.8	461.5
FTSE All-Share(UK)		<b>4,317.8</b>	0.3%		-0.1%		1.2%		4,252.7	4,377.4
DAX (DE)		<b>15,365.1</b>	-0.1%		-0.2%		3.0%		14,920.4	15,533.6
CAC All-Tradable(FR)		<b>5,431.2</b>	-0.4%		-0.7%		3.3%		5,255.7	5,521.7
TOPIX (JP)		<b>1,997.8</b>	0.2%		0.0%		4.3%		1,902.9	2,001.1
Shanghai (CH)		<b>3,472.1</b>	1.0%		0.6%		3.7%		3,314.4	3,472.1
Hang Seng (HK)		<b>20,619.7</b>	4.2%		1.0%		-4.4%		19,785.9	22,688.9
ASX 200 (AU)		<b>7,251.6</b>	-0.1%		-0.9%		-2.5%		7,224.8	7,539.0
SET (TH)		<b>1,620.0</b>	-0.1%		-2.4%		-3.4%		1,620.0	1,685.4
SET50 (TH)		<b>966.9</b>	0.1%		-2.5%		-3.5%		965.6	1,008.2
Straits Times (SG)		<b>3,255.1</b>	-0.2%		-1.4%		-1.0%		3,255.1	3,394.2
FTSE Malay (MY)		<b>1,450.2</b>	-0.3%		-0.9%		-2.9%		1,450.2	1,499.5
JSX Index (ID)		<b>6,844.9</b>	0.0%		0.5%		0.4%		6,641.8	6,941.9
PSE Index (PH)		<b>6,607.1</b>	0.8%		-2.9%		-6.4%		6,556.2	7,062.0
Vn Index (VN)		<b>1,040.6</b>	1.5%		-1.3%		-1.9%		1,021.3	1,117.1

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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

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