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U.S. consumer sentiment fell for the first time four months in March, though households expected inflation to subside over the next 12 months and beyond, a survey showed on Friday. The University of Michigan's preliminary March reading on the overall index of consumer sentiment came in at 63.4, down from 67 in the prior month. Economists polled by Reuters had forecast a preliminary reading of 67.0. The decline in sentiment was concentrated among lower-income, less-educated and younger consumers, as well as consumers with the top tercile of stock holdings, Hsu added. The survey's reading of one-year inflation expectations fell to 3.8%, the lowest since April 2021, from 4.1% in February. Its five-year inflation outlook dropped to 2.8%, falling below the narrow 2.9-3.1% range for only the second time in the last 20 months.

Central banks try to calm markets after UBS deal to buy Credit Suisse

Some of the world's largest central banks came together on Sunday to stop a banking crisis from spreading as Swiss authorities persuaded UBS Group AG on Sunday to buy rival Credit Suisse Group AG in a historic deal. UBS will pay 3 billion Swiss francs (\$3.23 billion) for 167-year-old Credit Suisse and assume up to \$5.4 billion in losses in a deal backed by a massive Swiss guarantee and expected to close by the end of 2023. Soon after the announcement late on Sunday, the U.S. Federal Reserve, European Central Bank and other major central banks came out with statements to reassure markets that have been walloped by a banking crisis that started with the collapse of two regional U.S. banks earlier this month.

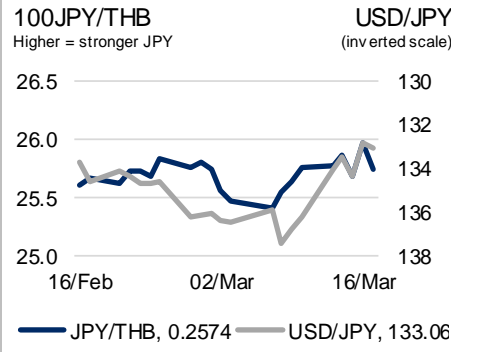
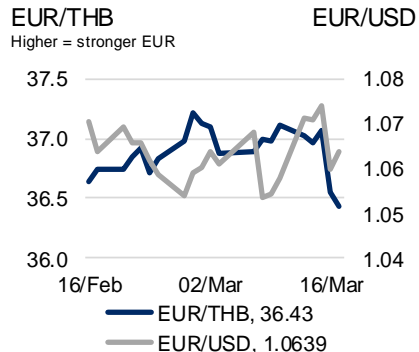
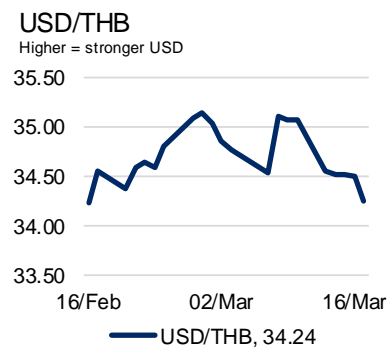
Euro zone labor costs jump 5.7% y/y in Q4

Euro zone labor costs jumped in the last three months of 2022 and third-quarter data was revised up as well, but the rise of the wage component was still roughly half the increase in consumer inflation, data showed on Friday. The European Union's statistics office Eurostat said labor costs in the 19 countries that shared the euro in the last quarter of 2022 rose 5.7% year-on-year, with wages up 5.1% and non-wage labor costs up 7.7%. Labor costs were revised upwards to 3.7% year-on-year from 2.9% reported earlier and wage growth to 3.0% from 2.1%. Consumer inflation was 9.2% year-on-year in December, down from 10.1% in November and 10.6% in October, giving an average of 10% for the quarter. Euro zone wages grew fastest in construction, up 6.5% in the fourth quarter against the same period of 2021, followed by services, where pay rose 5.7% with industry up only 4.4%.

Oil prices rise on Fed liquidity support, Credit Suisse deal

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.45, +1.43 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA) was 2.46, +1.00 bps. LB31DA could be between 2.00-2.50 Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 3.39, -17.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 34.24 Moving in a range of 34.005-34.06 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 33.90-34.30 today. Oil prices rose on Monday, recouping some recent losses as the Federal Reserve and other major central banks announced new liquidity measures to stabilize financial markets, while a takeover of beleaguered Swiss lender Credit Suisse helped ease fears of a banking crisis. Crude markets were still nursing their worst weekly loss this year as investors sold heavily on concerns that an economic slowdown this year will stymie oil demand. Anticipation of a Fed meeting this week also kept gains limited on Monday. But with the Fed, European Central Bank and other major central banks pledging to increase market liquidity to support the banking sector, fears of an imminent banking crisis were somewhat assuaged. The move came shortly after Swiss bank UBS Group AG announced that it will buy beleaguered peer Credit Suisse Group in a "historic deal" facilitated by regulators, which helped ease concerns over a broader banking rout. Sources : ttbank analytics , Bloomberg, CNBC, Trading Economics, Investing, CEIC

SET Index	1,563.7	S&P500	3,916.6	10Y UST	3.39%	Brent	72.5	Gold	1,930.9
17-Mar	▲ 0.58%	17-Mar	▼ -1.11%	17-Mar	▼ -17.0 bps	17-Mar	▼ -3.00%	17-Mar	▲ 0.60%
USD/THB	34.24	EUR/THB	36.43	JPY/THB	0.2574				
Daily ▼ -0.75%		Daily ▼ -0.35%		Daily ▼ -0.90%					
Weekly ▼ -0.91%		Weekly ▼ -1.61%		Weekly ▼ -0.16%					
Monthly ▲ 0.06%		Monthly ▼ -0.55%		Monthly ▲ 0.53%					
Sideways Trend		Falling Trend		Sideways Trend					



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Currency Market

Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
Dollar Index		104.53	0.9%	-0.7%	0.9%	103.22	105.77
EUR/USD		1.0596	-1.3%	0.2%	-1.0%	1.0535	1.0740
USD/JPY		132.86	-1.1%	-2.4%	-0.1%	131.49	137.43
USD/CHF		0.9302	1.8%	-0.2%	0.7%	0.9120	0.9428
GBP/USD		1.2080	-0.7%	1.3%	-0.5%	1.1823	1.2165
USD/CAD		1.3754	0.5%	-0.7%	2.8%	1.3346	1.3854
AUD/USD		0.6634	-0.8%	0.9%	-4.4%	0.6576	0.6957
NZD/USD		0.6171	-0.9%	1.2%	-2.1%	0.6100	0.6347
ASEAN Dollar		101.22	-0.1%	-1.0%	1.7%	99.05	102.26
USD/THB		34.50	0.0%	-1.6%	1.2%	33.67	35.14
USD/SGD		1.3495	0.5%	-0.4%	1.3%	1.3269	1.3550
USD/MYR		4.4988	0.6%	-0.5%	2.7%	4.3284	4.5226
USD/IDR		15,349	0.1%	-0.6%	1.2%	15,119	15,435
USD/PHP		55.01	0.1%	-0.5%	-0.4%	54.68	55.40
USD/CNY		6.8893	0.0%	-1.1%	0.7%	6.7922	6.9708
USD/HKD		7.8413	0.0%	-0.1%	-0.2%	7.8301	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		218,553	-119
Gold		14,663	101
SDR		5,442	4
IMF Reserves		1,250	1
Foreign Ccy		197,198	-225
Net Fwd Position		27,190	25

Last update: 10/03/2023

Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

Date	Equity	Bond	Total
17/03/2023	-1,965	2,154	188
16/03/2023	-1,810	-2,207	-4,016
15/03/2023	961	3,258	4,218
14/03/2023	-4,727	4,400	-327
13/03/2023	-2,193	-1,198	-3,392
Last 5 days	-9,735	6,406	-3,328

	Period-to-date	Equity	Bond	Total
MTD	Month	↓ -24,481	↑ 23,448	↓ -1,032
QTD	Quarter	↓ -49,648	↑ 14,896	↓ -34,753
YTD	Year	↓ -49,648	↑ 14,896	↓ -34,753

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	1.50	1.50	ON		1.20	0.43	1.30	ON		0.08	0.07	0.08
1W		1.53	1.53	1.53	1W		0.89	0.22	1.17	1W		0.00	0.00	0.00
1M		1.60	1.55	1.60	1M		1.03	0.73	1.19	1M		0.35	0.11	0.35
2M		1.70	1.62	1.70	2M					2M		0.00	0.00	0.00
3M		1.78	1.68	1.78	3M		1.23	1.09	1.41	3M		0.75	0.27	0.75
6M		1.94	1.80	1.94	6M		1.47	1.23	1.64	6M		1.04	0.45	1.04
12M		2.10	1.97	2.10	12M		1.76	1.36	2.03	12M		1.49	0.79	1.49

Last Updated: 16/03/2023

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		3.3900	-17.00	-31.00	-24.00	3.39	4.08
Gilt 10y		3.2957	-16.91	-39.46	13.37	3.16	3.82
Bund 10y		2.2400	-4.00	-30.00	-5.00	2.14	2.76
JGB 10y		0.3250	-3.50	-20.50	-17.80	0.31	0.53
TGB 1y		1.7372	-0.15	-0.81	1.46	1.70	1.75
TGB 2y		1.8041	-0.64	-6.24	-6.60	1.80	1.90
TGB 5y		2.0059	0.28	-8.54	-14.96	2.00	2.20
TGB 7y		2.2663	1.11	-5.97	-9.73	2.24	2.40
TGB 10y		2.4547	1.43	-4.54	-14.57	2.42	2.61
AAA Spread		71.86	0.05	-1.37	-2.05	71.81	75.12
AA Spread		84.18	-0.10	0.36	-9.83	83.62	94.59
A Spread		125.92	0.16	0.74	0.76	123.54	127.93
BBB Spread		226.20	-0.04	0.22	0.39	225.54	226.24

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		72.48	-3.0%	-11.2%	-15.1%	72.48	86.61
London Gold		1930.9	0.6%	5.2%	3.0%	1,809.1	1,930.9

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)		3,916.6	-1.1%	1.4%	-5.9%	2,467.4	4,164.0
STOXX (EU)		447.4	1.8%	-1.2%	-1.3%	432.0	462.8
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,007.1	-1.1%	-6.8%	-8.3%	4,007.1	4,377.4
DAX (DE)		14,768.2	-1.3%	-4.3%	-3.6%	14,735.3	15,653.6
CAC All-Tradable(FR)		5,191.5	-1.4%	-4.2%	-3.1%	5,164.9	5,534.1
TOPIX (JP)		1,959.4	1.2%	-3.6%	-1.0%	1,937.1	2,071.1
Shanghai (CH)		3,407.3	0.7%	0.6%	0.1%	3,382.5	3,488.9
Hang Seng (HK)		19,518.6	1.6%	1.0%	-8.4%	19,203.9	22,072.2
ASX 200 (AU)		6,994.8	0.4%	-2.1%	-6.8%	6,965.5	7,558.1
SET (TH)		1,563.7	0.6%	-2.2%	-7.0%	1,523.9	1,682.6
SET50 (TH)		940.4	0.8%	-1.5%	-5.8%	910.7	999.1
Straits Times (SG)		3,183.3	0.9%	0.2%	-5.8%	3,129.8	3,384.3
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,411.7	1.4%	-1.5%	-4.4%	1,391.6	1,499.4
JSX Index (ID)		6,678.2	1.7%	-1.3%	-3.7%	6,565.7	6,941.9
PSE Index (PH)		6,469.7	1.0%	-1.8%	-6.7%	6,393.3	6,989.2
Vn Index (VN)		1,045.1	-0.2%	-0.7%	-1.9%	1,021.3	1,086.7

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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

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