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British retailers reported their first positive sales expectations in seven months, according to a survey published by the Confederation of British Industry on Monday, adding to other recent signs of recovery in the economy. The CBI's (CBI) expected sales balance for April increased to +9 from -18 in March. Apart from September's reading of +31, the gauge of sales expectations has been negative in every month since May of last year. Sales in March were reported roughly flat at +1, little changed from February's reading of +2. A Reuters poll of economists had pointed to a reading of -6. Consumers have been hit hard by an inflation rate that remains about 10%, plus rising interest rates and the prospect of higher taxes. "It's encouraging that activity in the retail sector showed signs of stabilizing after a challenging winter," CBI Principal Economist Martin Sartorius said.

Chinese industrial profits sink in sluggish start to the year

Chinese industrial profits fell sharply in the first two months of 2023, data showed on Monday, as a recovery in manufacturing activity was largely offset by softening demand in the face of slowing global growth and lingering aftereffects of the COVID pandemic. Industrial profits dropped 22.9% in the year to February, data from the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) showed. This compared with a 4% drop in industrial profits through 2022. While manufacturing output rebounded with the lifting of anti-COVID measures earlier this year, demand did not see a corresponding recovery. This largely impacted the margins of local manufacturers. particularly revenue growth. This was also indicated in weak producer price inflation, which unexpectedly shrank further in February.

Australia retail sales growth slows to 0.2% in February

Australian retail sales eked out a meagre gain in February after wild swings around year-end holidays, indicating shoppers are reining in spending in the face of higher costs of living and rising interest rates. Data from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) on Tuesday showed retail sales rose 0.2% in February from January, when they picked up a revised 1.8%. Sales of A\$35.14 billion (\$23.42 billion) were 6.4% higher than a year earlier. The result was just a touch above median forecasts of a rise of 0.1%. Estimates from analysts ranged from minus 1.2% to plus 1.3%.

Dollar advances against Japanese yen as banking fears ease

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.29, -2.61 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA) was 2.31, +2.00 bps. LB31DA could be between 2.00-2.50 Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 3.53, +15.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 34.31 Moving in a range of 34.25-34.45 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 34.00-34.50 today. The dollar rose to a five-day high against the Japanese yen on Monday as authorities' efforts to rein in worries over the global banking system helped soothe investor nerves. The U.S. currency, however, clung to a narrow range against most major currencies as investors appeared hesitant to place big wagers in either direction as they sought clarity on the fallout from the recent collapse of two U.S. lenders and the rescue of Credit Suisse. Global banking stocks, which have been battered this month following the sudden collapse of Silicon Valley Bank and Signature Bank (NASDAQ:SBNY), received some respite on Monday after the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation said First Citizens BancShares Inc would acquire all of Silicon Valley Bank's deposits and loans from the regulator.

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Currency Market

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Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W	/) %Chg (1M	1MR	1M Range		
Currency	TWITISTOLY	Last	/// Clig (1D)	// Crig (1 V	// // // // // // // // // // // // //	' Min	Max		
Dollar Index	~~	102.67	0.5%	-1.1%	-1.6%	102.16	105.77		
EUR/USD		1.0818	-0.7%	1.4%	1.9%	1.0535	1.0898		
USD/JPY		130.34	-0.3%	-1.2%	-3.2%	130.34	137.43		
USD/CHF	~~~	0.9173	0.2%	-1.0%	-1.4%	0.9120	0.9428		
GBP/USD	~~~	1.2270	-0.4%	0.7%	1.7%	1.1823	1.2314		
USD/CAD	~~~	1.3736	0.4%	0.1%	1.5%	1.3471	1.3854		
AUD/USD	~~~	0.6671	-0.9%	-0.3%	-2.3%	0.6576	0.6887		
NZD/USD	~~~	0.6232	-0.6%	-0.3%	-0.1%	0.6100	0.6267		
ASEAN Dollar	~~~	100.37	-0.7%	-1.2%	0.3%	100.34	102.31		
USD/THB	~~~	34.11	0.0%	0.1%	-1.4%	34.09	35.14		
USD/SGD		1.3282	0.2%	-1.0%	-0.8%	1.3260	1.3550		
USD/MYR		4.4246	-0.1%	-1.2%	-0.1%	4.4230	4.5226		
USD/IDR	~~~	15,234	-0.6%	-0.8%	0.4%	15,139	15,435		
USD/PHP		54.42	-0.1%	-0.5%	-1.2%	54.42	55.40		
USD/CNY	~~	6.8375	0.0%	-0.7%	-0.7%	6.8332	6.9708		
USD/HKD	~~~	7.8485	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	7.8301	7.8557		

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	% C	chg(1D)
1-month	2000	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		222,347	3795	
Total Golds		222,347 15,614	3795 951	
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Golds		15,614	951	
Golds SDR		15,614 5,463	951 20	

Last update: 17/03/2023

Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

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Date	Equity	Bond	Total									
27/03/2023	16	3,540	3,557									
24/03/2023	-480	913	433									
23/03/2023	1,009	1,387	2,395									
22/03/2023	-1,104	2,166	1,062									
21/03/2023	-1,187	1,831	644									
Last 5 days	-1,745	9,837	8,091									
Period-to	o-date Equity	Bond	Total									
MTD Month	-29,70	7 🏚 27,092	-2,614									
QTD Quarter	-54,87	5 🖣 18,540	J -36,335									
TD Year	-54,87	5 🏚 18,540	4 -36,335									

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ТНВ	1M Hist	Loct	1M R	ange	THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M F	Range	USD	1M Hist	Last	1M F	Range
BIBOR	IINI LIISI	Lasi	Min	Max	INDEIX	IIVI MISL	Lasi	Min	Max	LIBOR	IINI LIIST	Lasi	Min	Max
011		4.50	4.50	4.50	011		4.00		4.00	011				
ON	7777	1.50	1.50	1.50	ON		1.66	0.80	1.66	ON		0.08	0.07	0.08
1W		1.62	1.53	1.62	1W	~~	1.09	0.50	1.15	1W		0.00	0.00	0.00
1M		1.69	1.56	1.69	1M	\	1.25	0.52	1.25	1M		0.35	0.11	0.35
2M	مسب	1.75	1.65	1.75						2M		0.00	0.00	0.00
3M	مسس	1.81	1.72	1.81	3M		1.53	1.07	1.53	3M		0.75	0.27	0.75
6M	•	1.96	1.86	1.96	6M	W**	1.59	1.21	1.65	6M		1.04	0.45	1.04
12M		2.10	2.02	2.10	12M		1.69	1.36	2.03	12M	~~~	1.49	0.79	1.49
							Las	t Updated:	24/03/2023			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 Jan2008=100

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Fixed Income	1M History	YTM (%)	Bno Cha (4D	Des Cha (4)	MAN Bro Cha (4M	、 │ 1MR	ange
Fixed Income	TWI HISTORY	1 1 W (%)	Bps Chg (1D) Bps Chg (1)	W) Bps Chg (1M	<i>)</i> Min	Max
UST10y	~~~	3.5300	15.00	6.00	-24.00	3.38	4.08
Gilt 10y	-	3.3224	-10.56	0.34	-17.18	3.23	3.82
Bund 10y	~~~	2.1800	15.00	16.00	-23.00	2.02	2.76
JGB 10y		0.3300	0.90	1.30	-19.40	0.28	0.53
TGB 1y	-	1.7078	-1.24	-2.58	-2.25	1.71	1.75
TGB 2y		1.7196	-0.06	-5.71	-17.23	1.72	1.90
TGB 5y	-	1.8956	-1.72	-8.35	-26.48	1.90	2.20
TGB 7y	-	2.1244	-1.72	-10.14	-25.66	2.12	2.40
TGB 10y	~~~	2.2858	-2.61	-9.72	-28.27	2.29	2.61
AAA Spread	-1	72.17	-1.03	0.27	-1.61	71.81	73.90
AA Spread	—	86.28	1.03	2.08	-6.24	83.64	94.58
A Spread		128.06	0.01	-0.20	4.41	123.54	128.31
BBB Spread		226.40	0.03	0.19	0.65	225.54	226.40

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	% Cha (1D)	% Cha (1\M)	% Cha (1M)	1M Ra	ange
Commodity	TWI HISTOTY	Lasi	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	Min	Max
Brent Crude		74.99	-1.2%	2.8%	-6.8%	72.97	86.18
London Gold		1960.3	-1.8%	-1.1%	6.8%	1,810.2	1,996.2

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		
Lquity illuex	TWITISTOTY	Lasi	/s Clig (1D)	/8 City (1 VV)	/« City (1W)	Min	Max	
S&P500 (US)		3,977.5	0.2%	0.7%	-4.1%	2,467.4	4,147.6	
STOXX (EU)		446.1	1.9%	1.7%	-2.8%	432.0	462.8	
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,071.1	0.9%	0.8%	-5.7%	4,007.1	4,350.1	
DAX (DE)		15,127.7	1.1%	1.3%	-2.4%	14,735.3	15,653.6	
CAC All-Tradable(F	R) ~~	5,291.4	0.9%	0.7%	-3.4%	5,164.9	5,534.1	
TOPIX (JP)	-	1,961.8	0.3%	0.1%	-0.8%	1,929.3	2,071.1	
Shanghai (CH)	~~~	3,408.0	-0.4%	0.5%	-0.9%	3,382.5	3,482.2	
Hang Seng (HK)	~~~~	19,567.7	-1.7%	3.0%	-6.0%	19,000.7	21,624.4	
ASX 200 (AU)		6,962.0	0.1%	0.9%	-5.3%	6,898.5	7,490.3	
SET (TH)		1,593.4	0.1%	2.4%	-3.6%	1,523.9	1,670.3	
SET50 (TH)		960.0	0.0%	2.8%	-2.6%	910.7	997.8	
Straits Times (SG)		3,239.0	0.8%	3.2%	-1.3%	3,129.8	3,359.5	
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,396.6	-0.2%	-0.4%	-6.2%	1,391.6	1,488.2	
JSX Index (ID)		6,708.9	-0.8%	2.2%	-2.8%	6,565.7	6,935.3	
PSE Index (PH)	~~~	6,595.0	-0.1%	2.2%	-2.9%	6,393.3	6,923.1	
Vn Index (VN)	~~~	1,052.3	0.5%	2.8%	0.4%	1,023.1	1,086.7	

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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