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U.S. retail sales fell more than expected in March as consumers cut back on purchases of motor vehicles and other big-ticket items, suggesting that the economy was losing steam at the end of the first quarter because of higher interest rates. With the labor market cooling, retail sales are likely to remain weak. Ebbing demand for goods is undercutting production at factories, with other data on Friday showing manufacturing production declining last month. Retail sales dropped 1.0% last month, the Commerce Department said. Data for February was revised up to show retail sales falling 0.2% instead of 0.4% as previously reported. Economists polled by Reuters had forecast sales slipping 0.4%. They increased 2.9% year-on-year in March.

Chinese economic recovery on track as Q1 GDP beats estimates

China's economy grew more than expected in the first quarter of 2023, data showed on Tuesday, indicating that a recovery was largely on track after the country relaxed most anti-COVID restrictions at the beginning of the year. China's first quarter GDP grew 4.5 on an annual basis in the first three months of 2023, more than expectations of 4% and 2022's growth of 3%. GDP grew 2.2% from the prior quarter, in line with expectations. The reading comes as the relaxing of anti-COVID measures triggered a sharp rebound in business activity and spending, with pent-up demand greatly benefiting the service industry. A recovery was also helped by a slew of stimulus measures by the government, as it moves to fish the economy out from a pandemic-driven slump.

Singapore March exports fall 8.3% y/y, drop less than forecast

Singapore's March non-oil domestic exports (NODX) shrank 8.3% year-on-year, official data showed on Monday, though the drop was smaller than the previous month and less than forecast. Economists had expected a 20.8% contraction in a Reuters poll. Exports had contracted 15.8% in February. On a seasonally adjusted month-on-month basis, NODX increased 18.4%, Enterprise Singapore data showed, versus the prior month's 8.2% decline. Economists had forecast 1.7% growth. The trade reliant city-state has now recorded six consecutive months of year-on-year contraction in the NODX, amid concerns over the economic outlook.

Dollar gains after strong New York factory survey

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.50, +1.36 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA) was 2.50, +0.00 bps. LB31DA could be between 2.20-2.70 Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 3.60, +8.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 34.34 Moving in a range of 34.40-34.55 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 34.00-34.50 today. The dollar rose on Monday after New York state factory activity in April increased for the first time in five months, helping bolster expectations the Federal Reserve will raise interest rates in May. Also bolstering the dollar was a report showing confidence among U.S. single-family homebuilders improved for a fourth straight month in April. The dollar index, a measures of the currency against six major peers, rose 0.413% after the Empire State Manufacturing index shot to 10.8 from -24.6 in March, far higher than expectations of -18 in a Reuters poll of 35 economists. The new orders index rose 47 points to 25.1, while the shipments index added 37 points to 23.9, substantial increases after they had declined in recent months, the New York Fed said.

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Currency Market

Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Ra	Range	
Currency		Lasi		/0 City (1 VV)		Min	Max	
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Dollar Index	m	102.08	-0.3%	0.5%	-1.6%	101.53	105.57	
EUR/USD	\sim	1.0921	0.4%	-0.3%	2.0%	1.0545	1.0957	
USD/JPY	\sim	133.61	0.3%	1.7%	0.1%	130.34	136.82	
USD/CHF	-	0.9023	-0.5%	-0.3%	-1.1%	0.9023	0.9404	
GBP/USD		1.2435	0.2%	-0.5%	2.2%	1.1850	1.2500	
USD/CAD		1.3466	-0.3%	0.2%	-1.9%	1.3440	1.3854	
AUD/USD	-m	0.6657	-0.1%	-1.3%	0.0%	0.6576	0.6771	
NZD/USD	m.	0.6194	-0.5%	-2.3%	-0.4%	0.6100	0.6338	
ASEAN Dollar	· · · · · ·	104.27	0.0%	0.1%	-1.5%	103.76	106.75	
USD/THB	~~~	34.24	-0.2%	0.9%	-0.8%	33.93	35.08	
USD/SGD	·	1.3319	0.0%	0.6%	-1.1%	1.3242	1.3550	
USD/MYR	~~~·	4.4146	0.0%	0.5%	-1.4%	4.3933	4.5226	
USD/IDR		14,850	-0.1%	-0.4%	-3.2%	14,850	15,435	
USD/PHP		55.14	0.7%	1.3%	0.2%	54.30	55.35	
USD/CNY	\sim	6.8830	0.0%	0.3%	0.4%	6.8332	6.9668	
USD/HKD	\sim	7.8499	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	7.8344	7.8569	

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%0	Chg(1D)
1-month		0.15	0.15	
3-month	\sim	0.70	-0.05	
6-month	~~-·	1.50	-0.20	
Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn	Chg(1W)
Total		224.690	209	
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Golds		15,764	308	
Golds SDR		15,764 5,506	308 13	
SDR		5,506	13	
SDR IMF Reserves		5,506 1,290	13 3	

Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

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Date	;	Eq	uity		Во	nd	•	Total
17/0	4/2023	1,4	402		-2	95		1,107
12/0	4/2023	-2,	024		-1,0	11	-:	3,035
11/0	4/2023		-51		2,5	50	2	2,499
10/04	4/2023	2,	495		-4,7	64	-2	2,269
07/04	4/2023	:	562		7	75		1,337
Last	5 days	2,	384		-2,7	745		-361
	Period-t	o-date	Equi	ty	в	ond	т	otal
MTD	Month		1,3	00	•	-15,718		-14,418
QTD	Quarter		1 ,3	00	Ψ.	-15,718		-14,418
YTD	Year		🤟 -55	i, 5 77	•	7,074		-48,503

Money Market

THB	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	USD	1M Hist	Last	1M I	Range
BIBOR		Lasi	Min	Max			Lasi	Min	Max	LIBOR		Lasi	Min	Max
ON		1.75	1.50	1.75	ON	~~~~	1.52	0.43	1.79	ON	+	0.08	0.07	0.08
1W		1.77	1.53	1.77	1W	-	1.41	0.65	1.46	1W		0.00	0.00	
1M		1.80	1.57	1.80	1M	~~~	1.41	0.64	1.57	1M		0.35	0.11	0.35
2M		1.85	1.68	1.85						2M		0.00	0.00	0.00
3M		1.90	1.75	1.90	3M		1.70	1.10	1.73	ЗM		0.75	0.26	0.75
6M		2.03	1.90	2.03	6M	~~~	1.88	1.27	1.88	6M		1.04	0.44	1.04
12M		2.18	2.06	2.18	12M	\sim	2.15	1.49	2.15	12M		1.49	0.79	1.49
							Las	t Updated:	12/04/2023			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 Market

Fixed Income	1M History		Bps Chg (1D)	Bnc Cha (1)40	Bno Cha (1M)	1M Ra	nge
Fixed income		YTM (%)	Bps Cng (TD)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Chg (1M)	Min	Max
UST10y	~~	3.6000	15.00	21.00	-38.00	3.30	4.08
Gilt 10y	~~~	3.5207	2.26	15.79	-25.99	3.23	3.82
Bund 10y	\sim	2.4400	5.00	15.00	-32.00	2.03	2.76
JGB 10y		0.4890	2.40	2.70	-3.80	0.28	0.53
TGB 1y	~	1.7693	0.24	0.30	2.71	1.71	1.77
TGB 2y		1.8570	0.28	0.11	2.68	1.72	1.87
TGB 5y	~	2.1016	1.31	2.67	7.41	1.90	2.10
TGB 7y	$\overline{}$	2.2989	0.89	1.23	5.15	2.12	2.33
TGB 10y	\checkmark	2.4998	1.36	3.64	7.18	2.29	2.50
AAA Spread	~~	70.34	-0.55	-0.94	-2.66	70.34	73.90
AA Spread		81.36	-1.59	-2.35	-13.11	81.36	94.56
A Spread		126.75	0.29	0.16	3.17	123.54	128.31
BBB Spread		225.89	-0.04	0.00	0.31	225.57	242.26

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 Ra	ange
Commodity		Lasi	/actig(TD)			Min	Max
Brent Crude	·	85.87	0.2%	1.4%	16.5%	72.97	87.33
London Gold	~~~~	2009.8	-0.9%	-0.6%	9.7%	1,810.2	2,027.1

Note: Unit of Brent crude oil price is \$/barrel; unit of gold price is \$/ounce

Equity Market

	Equity Index 1M History		% Ch ~ (4 D)	0/ Char (4)4		1M R	1M Range	
Equity index	TMINIStory	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W	/) %Chg (1M)	Min	Max	
S&P500 (US)	<u> </u>	4,151.3	0.1%	1.1%	2.6%	2,467.4	4,151.3	
STOXX (EU)	<u> </u>	459.0	0.0%	0.6%	-0.5%	437.9	461.3	
FTSE All-Share(UK		4,283.5	0.1%	1.9%	6.6%	4,007.1	4,283.5	
DAX (DE)	~	15,789.5	0.4%	1.7%	3.0%	14,735.3	15,789.5	
CAC All-Tradable(F	R)	5,595.9	0.3%	2.5%	2.4%	5,164.9	5,595.9	
TOPIX (JP)	\sim	2,027.0	0.9%	3.1%	0.4%	1,929.3	2,045.0	
Shanghai (CH)	~	3,548.9	2.0%	1.7%	1.7%	3,382.5	3,548.9	
Hang Seng (HK)	~	20,782.5	2.2%	2.5%	0.8%	19,000.7	20,782.5	
ASX 200 (AU)		7,381.5	0.8%	2.0%	1.7%	6,955.2	7,381.5	
SET (TH)	~~~	1,600.4	0.5%	1.9%	-1.2%	1,563.7	1,652.5	
SET50 (TH)	\sim	966.1	0.5%	2.1%	-0.1%	938.0	986.3	
Straits Times (SG)		3,319.3	0.8%	0.6%	2.7%	3,129.8	3,319.3	
FTSE Malay (MY)	~~~~	1,434.9	0.0%	0.6%	-1.2%	1,396.6	1,455.5	
JSX Index (ID)	~~~~	6,787.6	0.0%	-0.1%	-0.8%	6,565.7	6,854.8	
PSE Index (PH)	\sim	6,505.6	0.9%	0.5%	-1.5%	6,393.3	6,711.5	
Vn Index (VN)		1,053.8	-1.0%	-1.5%	2.6%	1,024.7	1,080.9	

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

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