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An index designed to track turns in U.S. business cycles fell for the 15th straight month in June, dragged down by a weakening consumer outlook and increased unemployment claims, marking the longest streak of decreases since the lead-up to the 2007-2009 recession. The Conference Board on Thursday said its Leading Economic Index, a measure that anticipates future economic activity, declined by 0.7% in June to 106.1 following a revised decrease of 0.6% in May. The decline was slightly greater than the median expectation among economists in a Reuters poll for a 0.6% decrease. The Conference Board reiterated its forecast that the U.S. economy is likely to be in recession from the current third quarter to the first quarter of 2024.

### UK consumers defy high inflation and shop more in June

British retail sales grew faster than expected in June despite continued high inflation, thanks to unusually hot weather and a rebound in food sales after King Charles' coronation disrupted spending in May. While inflation at nearly 8% - the highest of any large economy - remains a challenge for many households, some economists say a fall in energy prices from July 1 will give consumers more disposable income. Sales volumes in June were 0.7% higher than in May, the Office for National Statistics (ONS) said, a bigger increase than the 0.2% forecast by economists in a Reuters poll. Compared with a year earlier, sales were 1.0% lower, beating forecasts for a 1.5% decline

## Japan's inflation may have peaked, no imminent change seen to BOJ policy

Japan's core inflation stayed above the central bank's 2% target in June for the 15th straight month but an index stripping away the effect of energy costs slowed, data showed, suggesting the prolonged commodity-driven price pressures may have peaked. Yet, with services price growth also slowing last month, policymakers will feel that wage pressures have yet to build up enough to warrant an imminent tweak to the ultra-loose monetary stance. While the data heightens the chance the Bank of Japan (BOJ) will upgrade this year's inflation forecast next week, it may take pressure off the central bank to soon begin phasing out its massive monetary stimulus. The nationwide core consumer price index (CPI), which excludes fresh food costs, rose 3.3% in June from a year earlier, matching a median market forecast and accelerating from a 3.2% gain in May.

## Dollar snaps two-week losing streak, but some divided on next move

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.60, +1.88 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA) was 2.59, +1.00 bps. LB31DA could be between 2.30-2.80. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 3.84, -1.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 34.30 Moving in a range of 34.40-34.47 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 34.20-34.70 today. The dollar snapped a two-week losing streak Friday ahead of the Federal Reserve's widely expected rate hike next week, but some are divided on whether the rebound has staying power. The U.S. dollar index, which measures the greenback against a trade-weighted basket of six major currencies, rose by 0.19% to 100.79, following a plunge to a more than one-year low last week. The Federal Reserve will kick off its two-day meeting on Tuesday, with many expecting the meeting to culminate in a 0.25% rate hike following a pause at the June meeting. The end of the Fed rate hike cycle, meanwhile, isn't the dark stormy cloud for the greenback that many expect as it is unlikely to be accompanied by rapid rate cuts, which are priced in for early 2024.

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7.2593

7.8387

7.1335

7.8063

**Currency Market** 

USD/CNY

USD/HKD

1M Range %Chg (1W) %Chg (1D) Currency 1M History %Chg (1M) Last Min Max 103.38 Dollar Index 100.13 0.0% 0.2% -2.0% 99.75 **EUR/USD** 1.1206 -0.1% 2.1% 1.1254 -0.1% 1.0843 USD/JPY 139.37 0.1% 1.3% -1.7% 137.59 144.69 USD/CHF 0.8575 0.0% -4.0% 0.8996 -0.1% 0.8575 GBP/USD 1.2933 -0.5% -1.4% 1.4% 1.3121 1.2616 USD/CAD 1.3157 -0.1% 0.3% -0.1% 1.3114 1.3371 AUD/USD 0.6812 0.4% -1.0% 0.6% 0.6607 0.6879 NZD/USD 0.6287 0.4% -1.7% 1.4% 0.6394 0.6080 **ASEAN Dollar** 108.11 0.0% -1.4% -1.0% 108.09 110.76 -0.3% -1.9% -2.7% **USD/THB** 33.97 33.97 35.65 USD/SGD 1.3236 0.0% 0.3% -1.3% 1.3198 1.3560 USD/MYR 4.5525 0.3% 0.5% -2.1% 4.5284 4.6830 USD/IDR 14,956 0.1% 0.4% 0.4% 14,894 15,136 **USD/PHP** 54.62 0.1% 0.2% -2.0% 54.33 55.88

0.8%

0.0%

## **FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves**

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%Chg(1D)			
1-month		0.00	-0.40			
3-month	~~~	0.85	-0.28			
6-month	<u>~~</u>	1.75	-0.38			
Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn	Chg(1W)		
Total		221,946	4065			
Golds		15,349	234	1		
Golds SDR		15,349 5,545	234 64			
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SDR		5,545	64			

7.1900

7.8154

0.0%

0.1%

Last update: 14/07/2023

0.2%

-0.2%

Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)											
Date	,	Equ	ity	Во	Total						
21/0	7/2023	-58	35	5	597		12				
20/0	19/07/2023		3	2,862 15,392 2,348		1,159					
19/0			3			1					
18/0			64			3,812					
17/0	17/07/2023		803		-1,173		-370				
Last	Last 5 days		-17		20,026		20,009				
	Period-to-date		Equity	E	Bond	Т	otal				
MTD	Month	4	-8,542	•	31,891	•	23,349				
QTD	Quarter	4	-8,542	•	31,891	•	23,349				
YTD	Year	4	-115,68	1 🏚	47,319	•	-68,362				

Mon	ey Marke	t												
ТНВ	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	USD	1M Hist	Last	1M F	Range
BIBOR	IIVI FIISL	Lasi	Min	Max	ТПВГІХ	IIVI MIST	Last	Min	Max	LIBOR	IIVI FIISL	Lasi	Min	Max
ON	<b></b>	2.00	1.50	2.00	ON		2.02	0.43	2.02	ON	<b>√</b>	0.08	0.07	0.08
1W		2.03	1.53	2.03	1W		1.59	0.89	1.65	1W	<del></del>	0.00	0.00	0.08
1M	•	2.08	1.60	2.08	1M		1.56	0.87	1.72	1M		0.23	0.09	0.23
2M		2.18	1.70	2.18						2M	<del></del>	0.00	0.00	0.16
3M		2.26	1.78	2.26	3M		2.01	1.09	2.02	3M	•••••	0.51	0.15	0.52
6M		2.37	1.94	2.37	6M		2.28	1.31	2.28	6M	<b></b>	0.76	0.22	0.83
12M		2.49	2.10	2.49	12M		2.69	1.59	2.71	12M	<b>~~</b>	1.18	0.35	1.34
							Las	t Updated:	29/06/2023			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**

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Fixed Income	1M History	YTM (%)	Pro Cha (1D)	Pro Cha (1W	Pac Cha (1M)	1M Range		
Fixed income	TWI HISTORY	1 1 W (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W	) Bps Chg (1M)	Min	Max	
UST10y		3.7600	-23.00	-1.00	33.00	3.38	4.06	
Gilt 10y		4.5576	1.21	35.77	114.52	3.32	4.56	
Bund 10y		2.4900	-10.00	16.00	14.00	2.24	2.64	
JGB 10y		0.4540	1.50	7.60	9.20	0.32	0.49	
TGB 1y		2.0423	-0.02	0.24	0.26	2.04	2.04	
TGB 2y		2.1914	2.39	3.97	5.85	2.13	2.19	
TGB 5y		2.3734	2.09	3.89	2.43	2.31	2.37	
TGB 7y		2.4715	2.14	3.39	3.73	2.40	2.47	
TGB 10y		2.6042	1.88	3.00	1.27	2.54	2.62	
AAA Spread		71.72	-2.05	-2.19	-0.42	67.91	73.91	
AA Spread		82.62	-0.14	1.91	-3.64	78.69	86.26	
A Spread		124.36	-0.20	1.56	-3.67	122.81	128.18	
BBB Spread		237.66	-0.11	-0.12	11.29	225.85	244.50	

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)		% Cha (1M)		1M Range	
Commodity	ни пізіогу	Lasi	%Cilg (ID)		76 City (TW	')	%Chg (1M)		Min	Max
Brent Crude	·	80.74	1.4%		1.1%		6.4%		72.26	81.53
London Gold	<b>~~</b>	1959.6	1.2%		2.6%		-0.4%		1,909.9	2,036.1

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 R	1M Range		
Equity illuex	TWI HISTOTY	Lasi	//City (1D)	/ocity (TW	/ <sub>0</sub> Clig (1W)	Min	Max		
S&P500 (US)		4,522.8	0.7%	2.6%	3.3%	4,328.8	4,555.0		
STOXX (EU)		446.6	0.4%	-3.2%	-1.8%	445.0	462.9		
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,182.6	0.1%	3.1%	1.4%	3,957.1	4,182.6		
DAX (DE)	$\overline{}$	16,141.0	2.2%	1.2%	3.6%	15,142.0	16,230.7		
CAC All-Tradable(F	R)	5,503.8	2.1%	1.3%	0.4%	5,295.7	5,618.0		
TOPIX (JP)		2,221.5	-1.0%	-1.4%	10.9%	1,929.3	2,306.4		
Shanghai (CH)	<b></b>	3,392.9	0.5%	1.5%	-0.1%	3,343.3	3,529.5		
Hang Seng (HK)	_	18,861.0	2.1%	-1.5%	-4.7%	18,216.9	20,782.5		
ASX 200 (AU)		7,246.9	1.9%	0.7%	1.0%	6,955.4	7,365.5		
SET (TH)		1,494.0	-0.2%	1.8%	-7.2%	1,466.9	1,610.5		
SET50 (TH)		921.8	0.1%	2.8%	-5.1%	896.4	971.5		
Straits Times (SG)	$\overline{}$	3,238.5	2.4%	1.0%	-0.6%	3,139.5	3,324.6		
FTSE Malay (MY)	~~	1,398.1	1.1%	0.6%	-0.8%	1,376.1	1,434.7		
JSX Index (ID)		6,808.2	1.1%	2.3%	2.7%	6,619.8	6,910.1		
PSE Index (PH)	$\overline{}$	6,578.5	2.8%	1.2%	-0.4%	6,379.0	6,684.4		

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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

1,039.6

1,165.4

8.0%

Vn Index (VN)

2.4%

1,165.4

1.2%