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US single-family homebuilding increased marginally in October and activity could remain moderate in the near term amid higher mortgage rates, which sent homebuilder confidence tumbling to an 11-month low in November. Single-family housing starts, which account for the bulk of homebuilding, rose 0.2% to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 970,000 units last month, the Commerce Department's Census Bureau said. Data for September was revised up to show starts rising to a rate of 968,000 units instead of 963,000 units as previously reported. Single-family homebuilding peaked in May. A survey on Thursday showed confidence among home builders slumped this month. The National Association of Home Builders noted that builders anticipated lower sales over the next six months, with mortgage rates stuck above 7% since mid-August.

More expensive services, food drive euro zone inflation in Oct

More expensive services and food were the main drivers of consumer price growth in the euro zone in October, as the EU's statistics office confirmed year-on-year inflation slowed sharply. Eurostat said consumer inflation in the 20 countries using the euro decelerated to 2.9% year-on-year in October from 4.3% in September after prices rose 0.1% month-on-month. Price rises in the services sectors, the biggest part of the euro zone economy, added 1.97 percentage points to the final year-on-year number and more expensive food, alcohol and tobacco added another 1.48 percentage points. A sharp fall in energy prices subtracted 1.45 points from the final number while non-energy industrial goods added another 0.9 percentage points. The European Central Bank wants to keep inflation at 2.0% over the medium term and has raised interest rates to record highs to slow down price growth, at the same time slowing euro zone economic growth.

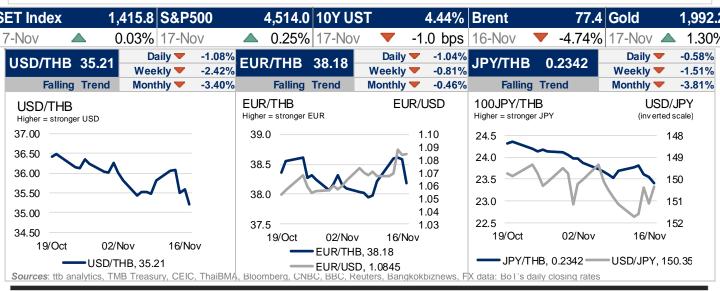
Japan Oct CPI seen accelerating, staying above BOJ's target

Japan's core consumer inflation likely accelerated again in October, staying above the central bank's 2% price target for a 19th straight month. The nationwide core consumer price index (CPI), which strips off volatile fresh food items, likely grew 3.0% in October from a year ago, according to the median estimate of 17 economists, compared with a 2.8% gain in September. After core CPI hit a peak of 4.2% in January, it slowed below the 3% threshold for the first time in over a year in September as utility bills fell reflecting the lagged effect of past oil price falls. The pace of year-on-year growth is expected to increase in October as the government's subsidies on electricity and gas bills have been reduced.

Dollar posts steep weekly fall, trades below 150 yen

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 3.02, -0.90 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA) was 3.00,-2.00 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 4.44, -1.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 35.21. Moving in a range of 35.03-35.20 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 34.95-35.20 today. The dollar posted its second-steepest weekly decline versus other major currencies this year, while the yen strengthened sharply, and the dollar traded below 150 yen, as concerns grow about the weakening global economic outlook. Cooler-than-expected US inflation data on Tuesday and Wednesday hastened market expectations for how soon the Federal Reserve will cut rates. Such a move would weaken a major dollar support and could come as early as next year's first quarter. The dollar index, which measures the greenback against six other major currencies, slid to lows last seen on Sept. 1, while the yield on benchmark 10-year Treasury notes fell to a two-month low of 4.379%.

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Currency Market

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Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Ra	lange	
Currency	TWITIStory	Lasi				Min	Max	
Dollar Index		104.50	0.0%	-1.3%	-1.6%	104.14	106.72	
EUR/USD	5	1.0841	-0.3%	1.6%	2.5%	1.0524	1.0878	
USD/JPY		151.11	0.5%	0.0%	1.0%	148.98	151.73	
USD/CHF		0.8881	0.0%	-1.6%	-1.3%	0.8881	0.9098	
GBP/USD	$\overline{}$	1.2402	-0.7%	1.4%	1.8%	1.2082	1.2491	
USD/CAD		1.3700	0.1%	-0.6%	0.4%	1.3586	1.3885	
AUD/USD		0.6476	-0.3%	1.8%	1.7%	0.6280	0.6515	
NZD/USD		0.5989	-0.5%	1.6%	1.5%	0.5782	0.6018	
ASEAN Dollar	$\overline{}$	110.27	0.0%	0.0%	-1.9%	109.96	112.71	
USD/THB		35.59	0.3%	-0.6%	-2.0%	35.43	36.49	
USD/SGD	\sim	1.3503	0.2%	-0.7%	-1.3%	1.3476	1.3733	
USD/MYR		4.7017	0.9%	-0.3%	-0.8%	4.6601	4.7881	
USD/IDR		15,533	0.1%	-0.7%	-0.9%	15,523	15,888	
USD/PHP		55.82	-0.3%	-0.2%	-1.6%	55.82	57.01	
USD/CNY		7.2504	0.0%	-0.6%	-0.8%	7.2398	7.3234	
USD/HKD		7.8035	0.1%	0.0%	-0.2%	7.7932	7.8268	

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%С	hg(1D)
1-month		0.40	0.70	
3-month		1.30	0.90	
6-month		2.35	1.10	
Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn	Chg(1W)
Total		212,756	-1353	
Golds		15,205	-436	
SDR		5,399	-17	
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IMF Reserves		1,176	-4	
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Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

Date	Equity	Bond	Total
17/11/2023	97	-1,839	-1,742
16/11/2023	-1,615	70	-1,546
15/11/2023	3,559	4,017	7,576
14/11/2023	5	-702	-697
13/11/2023	-61	-4,766	-4,826
Last 5 days	1,985	-3,220	-1,236
Period-to	-date Equity	Bond	Total
MTD Month	i -7,44	4 🏘 9,248	1,804
QTD Quarter	🖕 -23,18	81 🛉 25,807	2,626
TD Year	🖕 -180,3	352 🏟 15,126	-165,226

Money Market

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THB	1M Hist	laet	1M R	ange	THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	USD	1M Hist	Last	1M I	Range
BIBOR		Lasi	Min	Max			Last	Min	Max	LIBOR		Last	Min	Max
ON		2.50	2.00	2.50	ON		1.90	0.43	2.00	ON	~	0.08	0.07	0.08
1W	\sim	2.52	2.03	2.53	1W		1.64	0.22	1.64	1W		0.00	0.00	0.08
1M	<u> </u>	2.55	2.05	2.55	1M	~	1.55	0.69	1.72	1M		0.19	0.09	0.19
2M		2.60	2.10	2.60						2M		0.00	0.00	0.16
ЗM		2.64	2.16	2.64	3M		2.02	1.07	2.02	ЗM		0.50	0.12	0.50
6M		2.72	2.26	2.72	6M		2.27	1.31	2.27	6M		0.83	0.16	0.83
12M		2.84	2.39	2.84	12M		2.71	1.59	2.71	12M		1.34	0.24	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

	1M History YTM (%		Due Cha (1D)			1M Range	
Fixed Income		YTM (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Chg (1M)	Min	Max
UST10y	~	4.5700	-31.00	2.00	86.00	3.71	4.98
Gilt 10y		4.4798	-11.12	25.78	24.15	4.12	4.65
Bund 10y		2.7200	-8.00	-8.00	33.00	2.32	2.94
JGB 10y		0.9590	7.50	20.10	56.90	0.38	0.96
TGB 1y	<u> </u>	2.3906	-0.14	-1.12	-7.18	2.39	2.46
TGB 2y	·	2.4958	-0.75	-3.49	-8.58	2.50	2.59
TGB 5y		2.6305	-1.20	-13.24	-27.80	2.63	2.94
TGB 7y		2.8191	-2.64	-14.97	-30.69	2.82	3.15
TGB 10y	<u> </u>	3.0208	-0.90	-12.20	-34.30	3.02	3.39
AAA Spread		69.21	3.75	2.61	-4.10	65.16	73.91
AA Spread		67.92	0.37	-1.37	-12.35	67.08	84.99
A Spread		110.11	-0.37	-9.90	-12.70	110.11	124.61
BBB Spread		234.37	0.10	-0.06	-3.41	234.26	239.99
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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	Loct	% Cha (1D)	% Cha (1)()	% Cha (1M)	1M Range	
Commodity	TIM HIStory	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	Min	Max
Brent Crude		77.42	-4.6%	-3.2%	-15.4%	77.42	92.38
London Gold		1988.5	-0.4%	4.0%	4.5%	1,831.9	1,996.2

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

Equity Market

Equity Index	1M History	Loct	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	% Cha (1M)	1M Range		
	1M History	Last	[%] Cng(ID)		%Chg (1M)	Min	Max	
S&P500 (US)		4,382.8	0.7%	6.0%	2.5%	4,117.4	4,415.2	
STOXX (EU)		428.8	1.6%	0.0%	-1.7%	422.0	442.0	
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,088.1	1.2%	2.3%	1.2%	3,933.2	4,137.3	
DAX (DE)		15,189.3	3.2%	-0.4%	-5.5%	14,716.5	16,469.8	
CAC All-Tradable(Fl	R)	5,234.2	3.4%	-0.6%	-4.9%	5,059.7	5,582.2	
TOPIX (JP)		2,264.2	-1.9%	-4.7%	0.2%	2,236.4	2,428.4	
Shanghai (CH)		3,127.6	-3.0%	-4.6%	-6.7%	3,127.6	3,449.9	
Hang Seng (HK)		17,295.9	-2.9%	-4.2%	-8.0%	17,195.8	19,916.6	
ASX 200 (AU)	<u> </u>	6,900.7	-1.8%	-2.0%	-4.8%	6,900.7	7,403.6	
SET (TH)	`	1,423.0	-1.9%	-6.5%	-4.2%	1,423.0	1,565.9	
SET50 (TH)		893.6	1.8%	-4.3%	-1.6%	874.5	960.5	
Straits Times (SG)		3,076.7	-2.8%	-4.3%	-4.1%	3,076.7	3,373.8	
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,441.0	0.1%	-0.6%	3.7%	1,377.7	1,462.0	
JSX Index (ID)		6,849.2	-0.7%	-2.1%	3.2%	6,639.7	6,998.4	
PSE Index (PH)		6,280.9	0.4%	3.1%	-1.8%	6,094.7	6,677.9	
Vn Index (VN)	<u> </u>	1,108.0	-2.9%	-2.6%	-1.5%	1,105.4	1,243.3	

Sources: ttb analytics. CEIC

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

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