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Interest rates on the most common type of US home loan fell for a sixth straight week to the lowest in almost four months on the back of a bond market rally that has driven down yields on the securities used to set mortgage costs. Mortgage finance giant Freddie Mac said the average rate on a 30-year fixed rate mortgage fell to 7.03% as of Thursday from 7.22% the week before. That is the lowest since mid-August. Since hitting their highest levels in more than two decades in October near 8%, mortgage rates have tumbled as bond markets have rallied on expectations the Federal Reserve is done with its aggressive tightening campaign to rein in inflation.

Japan Q3 GDP falls faster than initial estimates; household spending also down

Japan's economy fell faster than initially estimated in the third quarter, revised data showed on Friday, complicating the central bank's efforts to phase out its accommodative monetary policy. Consumer and business spending both shrank, driving down third-quarter gross domestic product (GDP). Separate data showed real wages and household spending kept falling in October, as prolonged inflation discouraged shoppers. The economy lost an annualized 2.9% in July-September, the revised Cabinet Office data showed, more than a previously estimated 2.1% contraction and market forecasts for a revised 2.0% decline. Capital expenditure fell 0.4%, which compared with a preliminary 0.6% decease and a median market forecast for a 0.5% fall.

China trade balance grows in Nov on improved exports, but imports fall

China's trade balance grew more than expected in November, aided by a surprise rise in exports as they snapped a six-month losing streak, although an unexpected drop in imports still indicated continued weakness in local demand. The country's trade surplus grew to \$68.39 billion in November from \$56.53 billion in the prior month. The reading was more than expectations for a surplus of \$58 billion. The trade balance also improved from its worst level in over a year. Exports grew 0.5% in November from the prior year, beating expectations for a drop of 1.1% and improving from the 6.4% drop seen in October. Chinese exports also grew for the first time since April this year. The reading showed that Chinese businesses saw some improvement in overseas demand, even as economic conditions in the country's biggest export destinations continued to deteriorate.

Yen rallies on hints of BOJ policy shift

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.88, -0.51 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA) was 2.86, +1.00 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 4.14, +2.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 35.28 Moving in a range of 35.07-35.21 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 35.05-35.30 today. The yen extended its towering rally and marched toward its best week against the dollar in nearly five months, as traders ramped up expectations that the end of Japan's ultra-low interest rates was closing in. The broad strength from the yen kept a lid on the dollar, which stayed on the defensive ahead of the closely-watched US nonfarm payrolls report due later on Friday. Bank of Japan (BOJ) governor Kazuo Ueda said on Thursday the central bank had several options on which interest rates to target once it pulls short-term borrowing costs out of negative territory and had on the same day met with Prime Minister Fumio Kishida. Markets took those comments as the clearest sign yet that the BOJ could soon phase out its ultra-loose monetary policy and catapulted the yen to multi-month highs against its major peers.

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Currency Market

Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range		
Currency		Last	//City (1D)	// Clig (1 VV)	/6 City (1W)	Min	Max	
Dollar Index	~~	103.91	0.0%	1.2%	-1.5%	102.67	106.33	
EUR/USD		1.0794	-0.7%	-1.8%	0.9%	1.0596	1.0994	
USD/JPY	~~~	147.07	0.3%	0.1%	-2.0%	146.70	151.73	
USD/CHF		0.8746	0.4%	-0.3%	-2.8%	0.8711	0.9040	
GBP/USD		1.2610	-0.5%	-0.8%	2.3%	1.2189	1.2710	
USD/CAD	-	1.3574	0.3%	0.1%	-1.1%	1.3526	1.3834	
AUD/USD		0.6586	-1.0%	-0.9% ื 🔣	2.1%	0.6349	0.6656	
NZD/USD	~~~	0.6165	-0.5%	-0.3%	3.8%	0.5875	0.6194	
ASEAN Dollar	~~	106.45	0.0%	-0.1%	-0.6%	105.68	107.82	
USD/THB	~~~	35.14	0.7%	1.2%	-1.1%	34.71	36.08	
USD/SGD	~~~	1.3397	0.4%	0.7%	-1.0%	1.3301	1.3650	
USD/MYR	~~~~	4.6695	0.1%	0.5%	0.1%	4.6476	4.7523	
USD/IDR	~~~	15,438	0.2%	0.6%	-0.7%	15,350	15,825	
USD/PHP	~~~	55.53	0.0%	0.3%	-1.1%	55.35	56.87	
USD/CNY	-	7.1544	0.0%	0.5%	-1.6%	7.1216	7.3155	
USD/HKD	~~~	7.8088	-0.1%	0.1%	-0.1%	7.7803	7.8200	

FX Swap Market and Bol's Reserves									
USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%0	Chg(1D)					
1-month	- men	0.20	-0.15						
3-month	m.	0.88	-0.23						
6-month	~~~~	2.00	0.00						
Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn	Chg(1W)					
Total		217,670	901						
Golds		15,718	172						
SDR	-	5,482	16	j					
IMF Reserves		1,178	-10						
Foreign Ccy		195,293	723						
Net Fwd Position		30,350	-100						
		Last	update:	24/11/2023					

Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)												
Date	ate Ed		quity		Bond			Total				
7/12	/2023	-3,	984		-1,9	16		5,900				
6/12	/2023	-	454		2,8	343	:	2,389				
4/12	4/12/2023		979		-3,702		-2	2,723				
1/12	1/12/2023		-266		-10,799		-11,065					
30/1	1/2023	-3,	705		1,0)46	-2	2,659				
Last	5 days	-7	,430		-12,	527		19,957				
	Period-t	o-date	Eq	luity	Е	Bond	т	otal				
MTD	Month		ψ .	-3,725	•	-13,573	•	-17,299				
QTD	Quarter		ψ -	-38,841	•	19,546	•	-19,295				
YTD	Year		ψ .	-196,012	•	8,865	•	-187,147				

Money Market														
ТНВ	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	USD	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange
BIBOR	IINI LIIST	Lasi	Min	Max	ІПВГІХ	IIVI FIISL	Lasi	Min	Max	LIBOR	IIVI IIISL	Lasi	Min	Max
ON		2.50	2.00	2.50	ON	~~~	1.26	0.43	1.83	ON		0.08	0.07	0.08
1W		2.52	2.03	2.52	1W		1.56	0.22	1.61	1W		0.00	0.00	0.08
1M		2.55	2.05	2.55	1M		1.62	0.69	1.72	1M	مسس	0.12	0.08	0.12
2M		2.60	2.11	2.60						2M	<u></u>	0.00	0.00	0.16
3M		2.65	2.17	2.65	3M		1.84	1.07	1.84	3M	•	0.38	0.12	0.38
6M		2.72	2.28	2.72	6M		2.11	1.31	2.11	6M	مسب	0.63	0.16	0.63
12M		2.84	2.41	2.84	12M	~	2.33	1.59	2.33	12M	مسب	1.09	0.23	1.09
							Las	t Updated:	29/6/2023			Las	t Updated:	9/3/2022

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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Fived Income	1M History	YTM (%) Bps Chg (1D)		Pnc Cha (1W	Pac Cha (1M)	1M Ra	1M Range		
Fixed Income	TWI HISTORY	1 1 W (%)	вра City (ти)	Bps Chg (1W) Bps Chg (1M)	Min	Max		
UST10y		4.5800	-40.00	23.00	81.00	3.72	4.98		
Gilt 10y	~~~	4.3666	-25.97	16.84	12.83	4.16	4.63		
Bund 10y		2.6400	-28.00	-9.00	25.00	2.32	2.97		
JGB 10y		0.8760	8.90	16.10	48.10	0.38	0.88		
TGB 1y	~	2.3711	0.22	-0.88	-3.90	2.37	2.43		
TGB 2y	~~	2.4083	-0.71	-4.10	-12.10	2.41	2.54		
TGB 5y	~	2.5222	-0.54	-8.00	-28.63	2.52	2.86		
TGB 7y	~~	2.7317	-0.12	-6.44	-28.09	2.73	3.04		
TGB 10y	~~~	2.8787	-0.51	-8.69	-29.79	2.88	3.22		
AAA Spread	~~~	68.81	3.65	1.42	-4.53	64.94	73.91		
AA Spread		68.06	0.97	-3.76	-12.22	67.08	85.02		
A Spread	-	110.03	-2.29	-10.87	-13.68	110.03	124.60		
BBB Spread		234.44	-4.41	0.14	-3.23	234.30	239.76		

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	9/ Cha (4D)	9/ Cha (1\A/)	9/ Cha (1M)	1M Range		
Commodity	I WI HISTORY	Last	% Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	Min	Max	
Brent Crude	$\sim\sim$	74.30	-3.8%	-10.6%	-9.0%	74.30	85.18	
London Gold	~~~	1960.1	-1.2%	1.8%	3.0%	1,823.3	1,984.2	
Note: Unit of Brent crude oi	I price is \$/barrel; unit of	f gold price is \$/ou	ince		<u> </u>			

Equity Market

Equity Index 1M History		Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W) %Chg (1M)	Thirttange		
Equity index	TWITISTOTY	Lasi	/6 City (1D)	//Clig (TW	// // // // // // // // // // // // //	Min	Max	
C 0 D 5 0 0 (LIC)		4 5 4 7 4	0.00/	0.40/	7.70/	4 4 4 7 4	4.550.0	
S&P500 (US)	~	4,547.4	0.9%	3.1%	7.7%	4,117.4	4,559.3	
STOXX (EU)	~~~	443.1	2.1%	3.6%	2.5%	421.2	452.5	
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,071.1	-0.4%	1.8%	-0.4%	3,933.2	4,137.3	
DAX (DE)	~~~	15,229.6	2.9%	-2.1%	-5.3%	14,798.5	16,406.0	
CAC All-Tradable(FR)	~~~	5,219.8	3.3%	-2.4%	-5.2%	5,054.9	5,576.1	
TOPIX (JP)	~~~	2,275.5	-0.9%	-6.4%	0.5%	2,243.0	2,430.3	
Shanghai (CH)	~~~	3,257.8	4.2%	-0.6%	-2.8%	3,127.6	3,439.0	
Hang Seng (HK)	~~~	17,195.8	-0.6%	-3.9%	-8.5%	17,195.8	20,011.1	
ASX 200 (AU)	~~~~~	6,925.5	0.4%	-2.0%	-4.4%	6,890.2	7,455.9	
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SET (TH)		1,447.3	1.7%	-4.0%	-2.6%	1,423.0	1,576.7	
SET50 (TH)		856.5	-2.4%	-7.3%	-5.7%	856.5	966.7	
Straits Times (SG)	~~~~	3,155.1	2.5%	-1.6%	-1.6%	3,076.7	3,374.0	
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,415.6	-1.9%	-2.5%	1.9%	1,385.4	1,457.0	

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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

6,639.7

6,124.6

1,105.4

6,996.0

6,661.1

1,243.1

3.5%

-1.6%

-1.0%

1M Range

JSX Index (ID)

Vn Index (VN)

PSE Index (PH)

-1.7%

2.9%

-6.6%

0.4%

1.7%

0.5%

6,874.8

6,304.5

1,113.9