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US prices fell in November for the first in more than 3-1/2 years, pushing the annual increase in inflation further below 3%, and boosting financial market expectations of an interest rate cut from the Federal Reserve next March. Inflation, as measured by the personal consumption expenditures (PCE) price index, fell 0.1% last month, the Commerce Department's Bureau of Economic Analysis said. That was the first monthly decline in the PCE price index since April 2020 and followed an unchanged reading in October. Food prices edged down 0.1% and energy prices dropped 2.7%. In the 12 months through November, the PCE price index increased 2.6% after rising 2.9% in October. October marked the first time since March 2021 that the annual PCE price index was below 3%. Economists polled by Reuters had forecast the PCE price index unchanged on the month and rising 2.8% year-on-year.

US new home sales fall to one-year low in November

Sales of new US single-family homes dropped to a one-year low in November, but the unexpected decline is probably temporary amid a chronic shortage of previously owned homes, which has been supporting demand for new construction. New home sales decreased 12.2% to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 590,000 units last month, the lowest level since November 2022, the Commerce Department's Census Bureau said on Friday. October's sales pace was revised lower to 672,000 units from the previously reported 679,000 units. Economists polled by Reuters had forecast new home sales, which account for 13.4% of US home sales, rebounding to a rate of 685,000 units. New home sales are counted at the signing of a contract, making them a leading indicator of the housing market.

UK recession might be under way after economy shrinks in Q3

Britain's economy might be in a recession, according to data that showed it shrank between July and September, shortly after finance minister Jeremy Hunt took the rare step of suggesting the Bank of England might cut interest rates to boost growth. Gross domestic product (GDP) contracted by 0.1% in the third quarter, the Office for National Statistics (ONS) said. It had previously estimated that the economy was unchanged from the previous three months and economists polled by Reuters had mostly expected another unchanged reading. Similarly, second-quarter GDP was now estimated to have been flat, a cut from a previous estimate of 0.2% growth. However, there were some more upbeat signs about the economy in separate data also published on Friday which showed retail sales in November jumped by much more than expected, increasing by 1.3% from October, boosted by discount sales.

Dollar slips to 5-month low as US inflation cools

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.75, +0.14 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA) was 2.82, -8.00 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 3.90, +1.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 34.68 Moving in a range of 34.58-34.64 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 34.45-34.70 today. The dollar index edged down, hitting a near five-month low as data showed annual US inflation slowed further below 3% in November, cementing market expectations for a US interest rate cut next March. In the 12 months through November, inflation, as measured by the personal consumption expenditures (PCE) price index, stood at 2.6%, easing from 2.9% in October. Excluding the volatile food and energy components, the so-called core PCE price index advanced 3.2% year-on-year in November, the smallest rise since April 2021. The Federal Reserve tracks the PCE price measures for its 2% inflation target.

Sources: ttb analytics, Bloomberg, CNBC, Trading Economics, Investing, CEIC



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7.7803

7.8206

Currency Market

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1M Range %Chg (1W) %Chg (1M) Currency **1M History** %Chg (1D) Last Min Max 0.4% Dollar Index 102.38 0.0% -1.0% 101.96 104.56 -0.1% 1.0758 EUR/USD 1.0946 -0.4% 0.0% 1.0994 USD/JPY 0.7% -3.2% 143.00 -0.5% 141.77 151.11 -0.4% USD/CHF 0.8623 0.1% -2.4% 0.8614 0.8881 GBP/USD 1.2641 -0.6% -1.0% 1.0% 1.2401 1.2765 -2.7% 0.0% -0.3% USD/CAD 1.3356 1.3353 1.3739 AUD/USD 0.6743 -0.2% 0.5% 2.7% 0.6466 0.6757 0.7% NZD/USD 0.6252 -0.3% 3.2% 0.5957 0.6268 104.53 0.0% **ASEAN Dollar** -0.8% 104.54 106.66 -0.6% 34.94 0.1% 0.3% -0.5% USD/THB 34.71 35.75 USD/SGD 1.3299 0.1% 0.2% -0.5% 1.3273 1.3503 USD/MYR 4.6507 -0.2% -0.3% 0.0% 4.6476 4.7017 0.3% 0.4% 15,350 USD/IDR 15,481 0.6% 15,582 USD/PHP 55.85 -0.3% 0.1% 0.7% 55.35 56.08 0.0% USD/CNY 7.1430 0.5% 0.1% 7.1108 7.2504 0.0%

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%0	hg(1D)
1-month		0.20	-0.15	
3-month		0.88	-0.23	
6-month	-~~··	2.00	0.00	
Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn	Chg(1W)
Total		221,170	2565	
Total Golds		221,170 15,844	2565 116	
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Golds		15,844	116	
Golds SDR		15,844 5,499	116 36	

7.8052

Last update: 15/12/2023

0.1%

0.0%

Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)											
Date	Equity	Bond	Total								
22/12/2023	-2,078	-1,018	-3,096								
21/12/2023	479	-980	-500								
20/12/2023	80	-3,488	-3,408								
19/12/2023	-1,528	-28	-1,556								
18/12/2023	-666	-530	-1,197								
Last 5 days	-3,713	-6,044	-9,757								
Period-to-date Equi		Bond	Total								
MTD Month	-3,379	-16,160	-19,539								
QTD Quarter	-38,495	16,959	-21,535								
TD Year	-195,66	5 🦣 6,278	-189,387								

USD/HKD

Money Market														
ТНВ	1M Hist	Loct	1M R	Range	THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	USD	1M Hist	Last	1M F	Range
BIBOR	IIVI MISL	Lasi	Min	Max	I UDLIV IIVI UIST	IIVI MISL LASL	Min	Max	LIBOR	IIVI MISU	Lasi	Min	Max	
ON		2.50	2.00	2.50	ON	~~	1.26	0.92	1.83	ON		0.08	0.07	0.08
1W		2.52	2.03	2.53	1W		1.56	0.22	1.61	1W		0.00	0.00	0.08
1M		2.55	2.06	2.55	1M		1.62	0.85	1.72	1M	•	0.12	0.08	0.12
2M		2.60	2.15	2.60						2M	$\overline{}$	0.00	0.00	0.16
3M		2.65	2.22	2.65	3M	~	1.84	1.09	1.84	3M	مسب	0.38	0.12	0.38
6M		2.72	2.34	2.72	6M	~~	2.11	1.31	2.11	6M	مسب	0.63	0.16	0.63
12M		2.84	2.46	2.84	12M	~	2.33	1.59	2.33	12M		1.09	0.23	1.09
							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	1M History	YTM (%) Bps Chg (1D) Bps Chg (Pro Cha (4V	M) Pro Cha (1M)	1M Range		
			bps Clig (10)	bps Cng (1v	V) Bps Chg (1M)	Min	Max
LIOTAO	_	4 4000	45.00	44.00	00.00	0.04	4.04
UST10y	-	4.4200	-15.00	-14.00	69.00	3.64	4.91
Gilt 10y	~~	4.1005	-28.25	-19.64	-15.46	4.09	4.61
Bund 10y		2.5800	-12.00	-34.00	10.00	2.33	2.94
JGB 10y	^	0.7120	-24.70	-4.20	27.20	0.40	0.96
TGB 1y	·	2.3646	0.57	0.31	-1.48	2.36	2.39
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TGB 2y		2.3418	-0.21	-0.83	-12.39	2.34	2.50
TGB 5y		2.4686	0.10	-0.61	-14.38	2.45	2.68
TGB 7y		2.6159	-1.02	-4.37	-19.17	2.62	2.89
TGB 10y		2.7512	0.14	-5.43	-24.67	2.75	3.12
AAA Spread	~~~	67.37	-1.92	0.78	-5.27	65.21	73.91
AA Spread		74.87	6.87	5.58	-4.01	66.99	82.90
A Spread		110.20	0.51	-9.81	-13.42	109.69	124.60
BBB Spread	~~~	235.32	1.04	0.89	-2.66	234.28	239.68

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)	9/ Cha (1\\)	0/ Cha /4 M)	1M Range	
Commodity	TIVI HISTORY			%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	Min	Max
Brent Crude	~~~	79.37	-0.4%	3.6%	-3.2%	73.24	83.10
London Gold	~~~	1992.6	0.3%	6.3%	2.1%	1,852.3	1,992.6
Note: Unit of Brent crude of	il price is \$/barrel; unit o	f gold price is \$/ou	nce				

Equity Market

Equity Index	1M History	Last	% Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)) / %Chg (1M)	mirtango		
Equity index	TWI HISTOTY	Lasi	/₀ Clig (1D)	/6 Cilg (1 W)	/acity (TWI)	Min	Max	
S&P500 (US)		4,604.4	0.4%	0.2%	6.6%	4,193.8	4,622.4	
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STOXX (EU)		457.7	0.4%	1.6%	5.4%	421.2	459.6	
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,071.1	-0.4%	1.4%	0.5%	3,954.4	4,137.3	
DAX (DE)	·	15,994.7	5.7%	4.4%	-1.8%	14,892.2	16,290.1	
CAC All-Tradable(FR))	5,402.0	3.7%	2.0%	-0.9%	5,116.9	5,514.0	
TOPIX (JP)	~~~	2,275.5	-2.0%	-4.6%	3.1%	2,159.2	2,430.3	
Shanghai (CH)	~~~	3,257.8	1.6%	0.0%	-3.9%	3,118.3	3,434.2	
Hang Seng (HK)	~~~	17,195.8	-4.3%	-1.6%	-10.7%	17,085.3	20,011.1	
ASX 200 (AU)	-~~	6,925.5	-0.8%	-1.5%	-3.3%	6,856.9	7,339.7	
SET (TH)		1,447.3	1.9%	-4.0%	-5.6%	1,391.0	1,557.7	
SET50 (TH)		860.7	-2.1%	-6.8%	-7.2%	858.0	966.2	
Straits Times (SG)		3,155.1	-0.8%	-1.6%	-1.3%	3,078.8	3,304.1	
FTSE Malay (MY)	~~~	1,415.6	-2.4%	-2.1%	3.0%	1,374.6	1,457.0	
JSX Index (ID)		6,874.8	-0.1%	-0.9%	3.9%	6,619.8	6,996.0	

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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

5,973.8

1,087.9

6,677.9

1,243.1

-3.2%

-0.8%

1M Range

PSE Index (PH)

Vn Index (VN)

3.4%

-3.3%

6,304.5

1,113.9

5.5%

2.2%