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Japan's wholesale inflation was flat in December from a year earlier, slowing for the 12th consecutive month, underscoring the central bank's view that cost-push pressure from rising raw material prices will steadily dissipate. The data indicate that rises in consumer inflation will moderate in coming months, and take pressure off the Bank of Japan (BOJ) to phase out its massive monetary stimulus soon. The reading for the corporate goods price index (CGPI), which measures the prices companies charge each other for their goods and services, compared with a median market forecast for a 0.3% fall and followed a 0.3% increase in November. The result was the lowest since a 0.9% drop in February 2021, showed BOJ data. The slowdown in wholesale prices was due partly to government subsidies to curb petrol and utility bills, which combined shaved 0.9% point off wholesale inflation, a BOJ official told a briefing.

China's Q4 GDP grows 5.2% y/y, below market forecast

China's economy grew 5.2% in the fourth quarter from a year earlier, official data showed on Wednesday, missing analysts' expectations slightly but still ensuring Beijing met its annual growth target despite a shaky start to the year. Confounding most analysts' expectations, the world's second-largest economy has struggled to mount a strong and sustainable post-COVID pandemic bounce, burdened by a protracted property crisis, weak consumer and business confidence, mounting local government debts, and slower global growth. Analysts polled by Reuters had forecast fourth-quarter gross domestic product (GDP) would expand 5.3% from a year earlier, quickening from the third quarter's 4.9% pace. For the full-year 2023, the economy grew 5.2%, data from the National Bureau of Statistics data showed, partly helped by the previous year's low-base effect which was marked by COVID-19 lockdowns.

Oil prices dip as strong dollar, rate fears offset M.East disruptions

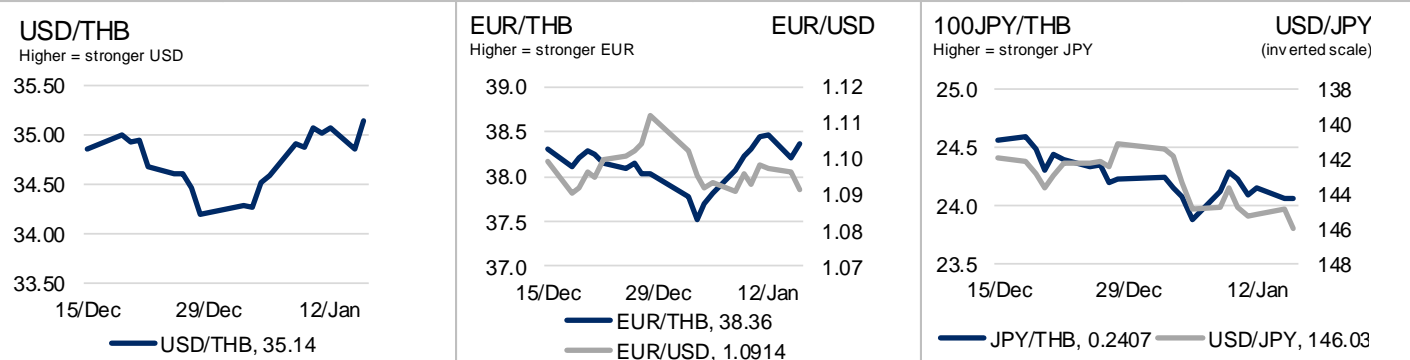
Oil prices fell on Wednesday, facing persistent pressure from a stronger dollar and uncertainty over US interest rates, although bigger losses were held back by fears of supply disruptions in the Middle East. The dollar raced to a one-month high on Tuesday, as Federal Reserve officials downplayed expectations for early rate cuts by the central bank. A stronger dollar hurts demand by making crude more expensive for international buyers. The prospect of higher-for-longer rates also presents a weaker outlook for oil demand, given that economic activity usually cools in a high-rate environment. Brent oil futures expiring in March fell 0.6% to \$77.81 a barrel, while West Texas Intermediate crude futures fell 0.7% to \$72.02 a barrel. Oil markets were also on edge ahead of key gross domestic product data from top importer China, which is largely expected to set the tone for an economic recovery in 2024 after a dismal 2023.

Dollar rallies to one-month high as Fed cut outlook dims

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.73, +0.98 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA) was 2.71, +0.50 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 4.07, +11.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 35.14 Moving in a range of 35.45-35.54 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 35.30-35.60 today. The dollar jumped in a volatile session on Tuesday as investors dialed back expectations for a March rate cut from the US Federal Reserve, fueled in part by comments by Board Governor Christopher Waller. Markets are pricing in a 66.9% chance of a rate cut of at least 25 basis points (bps) in March from the Fed, compared with an 81% view in the prior session according to CME's FedWatch Tool. The dollar index, which tracks the greenback against a basket of currencies of other major trading partners, was up 0.73% at 103.38, after climbing as high as 103.42, its highest level since Dec. 13. The index was on track for its biggest one-day percentage gain since Jan. 2. Sources : ttb analytics , Bloomberg, CNBC, Trading Economics, Investing, CEIC

<b>SET Index</b>	<b>1,401.7</b>	<b>S&amp;P500</b>	<b>4,766.0</b>	<b>10Y UST</b>	<b>4.07%</b>	<b>Brent</b>	<b>78.2</b>	<b>Gold</b>	<b>2,039.8</b>
16-Jan	▼ -0.38%	16-Jan	▼ -0.37%	16-Jan	▲ 11.0 bps	15-Jan	▼ -0.18%	16-Jan	▼ -0.69%

<b>USD/THB</b> 35.14	Daily ▲ 0.83%	<b>EUR/THB</b> 38.36	Daily ▲ 0.37%	<b>JPY/THB</b> 0.2407	Daily ▲ 0.04%
Weekly ▲ 0.24%	Weekly ▲ 0.13%	Weekly ▲ -0.64%	Monthly ▲ -2.02%		
Monthly ▲ 0.82%	Monthly ▲ 0.12%				



Sources: ttb analytics, TMB Treasury, CEIC, ThaiBMA, Bloomberg, CNBC, BBC, Reuters, Bangkokbiznews, FX data: BoJ's daily closing rates

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Currency Market

Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
Dollar Index		102.33	0.0%	0.2%	-1.5%	100.74	104.16
EUR/USD		1.0965	-0.1%	0.1%	1.7%	1.0758	1.1121
USD/JPY		144.89	-0.2%	0.9%	-0.4%	141.15	146.50
USD/CHF		0.8523	0.0%	0.6%	-2.7%	0.8402	0.8783
GBP/USD		1.2759	-0.1%	0.0%	1.7%	1.2549	1.2820
USD/CAD		1.3385	0.0%	0.3%	-1.6%	1.3189	1.3622
AUD/USD		0.6693	-0.1%	-0.4%	2.1%	0.6539	0.6860
NZD/USD		0.6237	0.0%	-0.3%	2.1%	0.6111	0.6362
ASEAN Dollar		103.85	0.0%	0.8%	0.0%	102.58	104.95
USD/THB		34.85	-0.6%	-0.1%	-2.5%	34.20	35.75
USD/SGD		1.3304	0.0%	0.2%	-0.9%	1.3167	1.3430
USD/MYR		4.6476	0.1%	0.2%	-1.1%	4.6016	4.6986
USD/IDR		15,467	-0.2%	0.2%	-0.7%	15,359	15,582
USD/PHP		56.02	-0.3%	0.1%	0.1%	55.45	56.42
USD/CNY		7.1669	0.0%	0.2%	-0.3%	7.1108	7.1871
USD/HKD		7.8095	-0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	7.7962	7.8266

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%Chg(1D)
1-month		0.35	-0.20
3-month		1.10	-0.30
6-month		2.00	-0.40

Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn Chg(1W)
Total		222,473	-2011
Gold		16,059	-133
SDR		5,499	-28
IMF Reserves		1,202	-6
Foreign Ccy		199,713	-1843
Net Fwd Position		30,010	-95

Last update: 05/01/2024

Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

Date	Equity	Bond	Total
16/01/2024	-834	-4,208	-5,043
15/01/2024	-471	-3,541	-4,012
12/01/2024	-67	-5,792	-5,859
11/01/2024	-1,066	-8,781	-9,847
10/01/2024	-1,828	14,361	12,533
Last 5 days	-4,267	-7,960	-12,227

	Period-to-date	Equity	Bond	Total
MTD	Month	↓ -7,631	↑ 1,887	↓ -5,744
QTD	Quarter	↓ -7,631	↑ 1,887	↓ -5,744
YTD	Year	↓ -7,631	↑ 1,887	↓ -5,744

Money Market

THB BIBOR	1M Hist	Last	1M Range		THB FIX	1M Hist	Last	1M Range		USD LIBOR	1M Hist	Last	1M Range	
			Min	Max				Min	Max				Min	Max
		2.50	0.00	2.50	ON		1.72	1.14	1.72	ON		0.07	0.07	0.08
		2.52	0.00	2.53	1W		1.61	0.22	1.61	1W		0.00	0.00	0.09
		2.55	0.00	2.55	1M		1.59	0.88	1.72	1M		0.11	0.08	0.11
		2.60	0.00	2.60						2M		0.00	0.00	0.15
		2.65	0.00	2.65	3M		1.81	1.09	1.82	3M		0.26	0.11	0.26
		2.72	0.00	2.72	6M		1.95	1.31	1.99	6M		0.44	0.15	0.44
		2.84	0.00	2.84	12M		2.26	1.59	2.26	12M		0.80	0.22	0.80

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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

Fixed Income	1M History	YTM (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
UST10y		4.4700	-11.00	13.00	109.00	3.30	4.83
Gilt 10y		4.1607	-20.59	-43.49	82.30	3.32	4.60
Bund 10y		2.6400	0.00	10.00	32.00	2.02	2.93
JGB 10y		0.7420	-13.40	11.00	41.70	0.33	0.88
TGB 1y		2.3587	-0.92	-1.59	-1.53	2.36	2.38
TGB 2y		2.3031	0.18	-1.84	-8.86	2.30	2.40
TGB 5y		2.3977	-0.10	-4.23	-11.75	2.40	2.52
TGB 7y		2.5433	0.08	-3.24	-16.52	2.53	2.73
TGB 10y		2.7237	-0.24	-2.97	-12.24	2.70	2.87
AAA Spread		67.36	-1.44	-3.86	-5.94	65.21	73.91
AA Spread		74.86	6.81	-6.69	-9.00	66.99	85.25
A Spread		110.19	0.15	-11.73	-15.22	110.03	128.21
BBB Spread		235.25	0.80	-4.43	9.21	225.57	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)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
Brent Crude		#REF!	#REF!	#REF!	#REF!	#REF!	#REF!
London Gold		1995.2	1.8%	3.9%	0.9%	1,828.3	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 Range	
						Min	Max
S&P500 (US)		4,783.4	0.6%	3.9%	13.4%	4,137.2	4,783.4
STOXX (EU)		473.0	0.7%	4.6%	5.0%	422.0	476.2
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,088.1	0.8%	2.6%	0.6%	3,954.4	4,175.9
DAX (DE)		16,029.5	5.3%	2.5%	5.9%	14,933.4	16,224.0
CAC All-Tradable(FR)		5,415.2	3.7%	0.5%	2.3%	5,169.9	5,618.0
TOPIX (JP)		2,378.2	0.8%	6.3%	22.8%	1,937.1	2,379.5
Shanghai (CH)		3,185.7	0.0%	-1.8%	-6.5%	3,127.6	3,519.8
Hang Seng (HK)		17,559.4	-0.1%	-0.4%	-8.6%	17,559.4	20,485.2
ASX 200 (AU)		7,029.2	0.7%	-2.1%	1.1%	6,955.2	7,360.2
SET (TH)		1,393.4	-0.8%	-10.5%	-10.9%	1,393.4	1,614.2
SET50 (TH)		860.8	-1.1%	-10.4%	-8.5%	860.8	969.6
Straits Times (SG)		3,086.4	-1.4%	-3.0%	-4.1%	3,086.4	3,324.1
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,448.2	-0.6%	0.6%	3.3%	1,376.7	1,457.6
JSX Index (ID)		7,009.6	3.0%	1.6%	3.6%	6,612.5	7,009.6
PSE Index (PH)		6,253.2	2.9%	-2.4%	-4.5%	6,078.0	6,711.5
Vn Index (VN)		1,095.4	-0.6%	-7.4%	3.9%	1,023.1	1,234.0

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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

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