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Sales of new US single-family homes rose less than expected in January amid a sharp decline in the South region, but demand for new construction remains underpinned by a persistent shortage of previously owned homes. New home sales increased 1.5% to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 661,000 units last month, the Commerce Department's Census Bureau said on Monday. The sales pace for December was revised lower to 651,000 units from the previously reported 664,000 units. Economists polled by Reuters had forecast new home sales, which account for about 14.2% of US home sales, would rise to a rate of 680,000 units. Large parts of the country experienced freezing temperatures in January, which could have kept some potential buyers home. The frigid weather weighed on retail sales, homebuilding and factory production in January.

Japan's inflation beats forecasts, end of negative rates in sight

Japan's core consumer inflation slowed for a third straight month in January but beat forecasts and held at the central bank's 2% target, keeping alive expectations it will end negative interest rates by April. The 2.0% gain in the core consumer prices index (CPI) was slower than the 2.3% increase in December, internal affairs and communications ministry data showed, underscoring views waning cost-push inflation from commodity imports could ease the pain of higher living costs. However, the gain beat median market forecasts for a 1.8% rise, reaffirming expectations hefty pay hikes will be offered by big firms at labor-management wage talks on March 13 that would pave the way for the Bank of Japan (BOJ) to end negative interest rates in March or April.

China's new home prices extend declines despite policy support

China's new home prices slowed their month-on-month declines in January with the biggest cities seeing some stabilization, but the nationwide downward trend persisted despite Beijing's efforts to revive demand. New home prices fell 0.3% month-on-month in January after dipping 0.4% in December, according to Reuters calculations based on National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) data. China has been ramping up measures to arrest a property downturn, including ordering state banks to boost lending to residential projects under a "whitelist" mechanism. More big cities including Shanghai have also eased purchase curbs to lure homebuyers. Last month, home prices in tier-one cities fell 0.3% on month, smaller than their 0.4% decline in December, partly due to additional support measures including a reduction in down-payments.

Dollar dips at the start of heavy week of data

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.56, -0.11 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB31DA) was 2.57, +0.00 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 4.28, +2.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 36.00 Moving in a range of 35.85-35.96 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 35.70-36.00 today. The dollar was mostly lower ahead of US durable goods orders and an inflation reading this week that could provide more information on how soon the Federal Reserve may begin cutting interest rates. The dollar index, a measure of the greenback against a basket of currencies, was last down 0.2% at 103.78 - though the US currency strengthened 0.1% to 150.71 against the Japanese yen. In cryptocurrencies, ether rose 8% at \$3,177, while bitcoin gained 6.89% at \$54,506. US durable goods data is due Tuesday, while January's US personal consumption expenditures price index, which is the Fed's preferred measure of inflation. The market has recently reduced expectations for the size and how soon it expects the Fed to cut rates, as the US economy remains strong. Sources: ttb analytics, Bloomberg, CNBC, Trading Economics, Investing, CEIC





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Currency Market

Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range		
Surrency	TWI THISTOTY	Last	70 Olig (1 <i>D</i>)	/ourig (144)	70 Ong (110)	Min	Max	
Dollar Index	<u></u>	103.93	0.0%	-0.4%	0.6%	102.96	104.86	
EUR/USD		1.0826	0.3%	0.6%	-0.5%	1.0706	1.0892	
USD/JPY		150.25	0.1%	0.1%	1.7%	146.19	150.50	
USD/CHF	$\overline{}$	0.8784	-0.5%	-0.3%	1.6%	0.8567	0.8868	
GBP/USD		1.2643	0.3%	0.4%	-0.6%	1.2549	1.2757	
USD/CAD	$\overline{}$	1.3489	-0.4%	0.0%	-0.3%	1.3371	1.3570	
AUD/USD		0.6556	0.1%	0.7%	-0.3%	0.6453	0.6612	
NZD/USD		0.6194	0.4%	1.6%	1.4%	0.6062	0.6194	
ASEAN Dollar	<i></i>	108.12	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	107.01	108.12	
USD/THB	~~	35.89	-0.3%	-0.6%	0.4%	35.32	36.16	
USD/SGD	\sim	1.3430	-0.2%	-0.2%	0.2%	1.3350	1.3507	
USD/MYR		4.7897	-0.3%	0.2%	1.2%	4.7221	4.8034	
USD/IDR	~	15,558	-0.4%	-0.2%	-1.0%	15,538	15,769	
USD/PHP		56.16	-0.3%	-0.1%	-0.5%	56.07	56.59	
USD/CNY	$\overline{}$	7.1900	0.0%	-0.2%	0.4%	7.1595	7.2154	
USD/HKD	~~	7.8205	-0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	7.8085	7.8302	

EX Swan Market and BoT's Poserves

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)
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Total Golds		15,805	-87
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Golds		15,805	-87
Golds SDR		15,805 5,463	-87 1

Foreign Fund Flows (THR mn)

Date	Equity	Bond	Total
23/2/2024	-1,939	1,999	61
22/2/2024	3,426	-282	3,143
21/2/2024	6,312	3,695	10,007
20/2/2024	-74	-541	-616
19/2/2024	1,223	-196	1,027
Last 5 days	8,948	4,674	13,622
Period-to-	date Equity	Bond	Total
MTD Month	• 8,755	-14,396	-5,640
QTD Quarter	-22,1	19 🖖 -18,629	-40,747
TD Year	-22,1	19 🖖 -18,629	-40,747

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ТНВ	1M Hist	Loct	1M R	ange	THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M R	lange	USD	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	
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ON		0.50	0.00	0.50	ON	-	4.70	4.44	4.70	ON		0.07	0.07	0.00	
ON	-	2.50	0.00	2.50	ON		1.72	1.14	1.72	ON		0.07	0.07	0.08	
1W	<u> </u>	2.53	0.00	2.53	1W		1.61	0.22	1.61	1W		0.00	0.00	0.09	
1M	/	2.55	0.00	2.55	1M		1.59	0.88	1.72	1M		0.11	0.08	0.11	
2M	,	2.60	0.00	2.60						2M		0.00	0.00	0.15	
3M	<i></i>	2.65	0.00	2.65	3M		1.81	1.09	1.82	3M	•	0.26	0.11	0.26	
6M	<u> </u>	2.73	0.00	2.73	6M		1.95	1.31	1.99	6M	$\overline{}$	0.44	0.15	0.44	
12M		2.84	0.00	2.84	12M		2.26	1.59	2.26	12M		0.80	0.22	0.80	
							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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www.ttbbank.com/analytics **Fixed Income Market**

Fixed Income	1M History	YTM (%) Bps Chg (1D) Bps Chg		Pro Cha (1)M/	Pro Cha (1M)	1M Range		
Fixed Income	1M History	1 I IVI (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Chg (1M)	Min	Max	
UST10y		4.0500	10.00	-64.00	49.00	3.43	4.83	
Gilt 10y		3.7869	6.46	-77.09	49.12	3.30	4.56	
Bund 10y		2.1800	16.00	-77.00	-12.00	2.02	2.95	
JGB 10y		0.6490	-4.40	-9.80	12.00	0.38	0.88	
TGB 1y		2.2379	-0.12	-1.95	-11.34	2.24	2.35	
TGB 2y	~~	2.1543	-0.06	-1.80	-18.01	2.15	2.34	
TGB 5y	~	2.2512	0.52	-3.61	-16.94	2.25	2.42	
TGB 7y	~	2.3707	0.34	-4.79	-17.70	2.37	2.57	
TGB 10y	~~~	2.5623	1.88	-1.56	-14.26	2.54	2.74	
AAA Spread	~	62.75	-3.15	-2.18	-10.21	62.75	75.12	
AA Spread	<u></u>	74.84	1.35	5.46	-8.80	67.72	93.03	
A Spread		108.94	-0.08	-7.55	-15.52	108.94	127.52	
BBB Spread		235.64	0.03	1.20	10.01	225.63	238.94	

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	9/ Cha (1D)	9/ Cha /1\\/\	9/ Cha /1M)	1M Ra	ange
Commodity	TWI HISTOTY	Lasi	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	Min	Max
Brent Crude	~~~	81.62	-2.5%	-2.2%	2.6%	77.33	83.67
London Gold	~~~~	2038.2	0.6%	11.8%	5.6%	1,822.8	2,038.2
Note: Unit of Brent crude o	il price is \$/barrel; unit of	f gold price is \$/ou	nce				

Equity Market

Equity index	TWI HISTORY	Last	%Cing (TD)	%Cng (TW)	%Cng (TW)	Min	Max
S&P500 (US)		4,997.9	1.1%	5.5%	10.9%	4,378.4	5,021.8
STOXX (EU)		476.2	1.2%	2.5%	7.8%	421.2	481.9
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,088.1	0.8%	2.6%	2.4%	3,954.4	4,172.4
DAX (DE)		16,688.4	-0.3%	10.7%	9.7%	14,731.1	16,744.4
CAC All-Tradable(FR)		5,541.3	-1.4%	6.6%	4.0%	5,116.9	5,620.8
TOPIX (JP)	~~~	2,378.8	2.5%	0.0%	16.0%	1,962.9	2,379.5
Shanghai (CH)	<u></u>	3,119.1	0.2%	-3.6%	-10.6%	3,112.6	3,559.0
Hang Seng (HK)	\sim	16,535.3	-1.5%	-7.2%	-17.5%	16,535.3	21,298.7
ASX 200 (AU)		7,451.5	0.1%	7.3%	6.5%	6,856.9	7,451.5
SET (TH)		1,418.5	1.3%	-2.0%	-11.3%	1,371.2	1,670.3
SET50 (TH)		868.8	0.0%	-1.9%	-9.0%	846.9	992.3
Straits Times (SG)	$\overline{}$	3,187.0	2.3%	1.3%	1.0%	3,065.9	3,371.2
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,477.3	1.0%	4.1%	1.9%	1,374.6	1,477.3
JSX Index (ID)		7,359.8	2.6%	5.7%	7.3%	6,618.9	7,359.8

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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

6,155.0

1,037.6

6,989.2

1.242.2

-0.9%

6.5%

1M Range

PSE Index (PH)

Vn Index (VN)

3.7%

-2.0%

6,609.2

1,131.7

2.1%

1.9%