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US producer prices pick up slightly after downward revisions

US producer prices increased only slightly in August after July's figures were revised downward, with categories relevant to the Federal Reserve's preferred inflation measure showing little movement. The producer price index for final demand rose 0.2% from the previous month, following a flat July. This was higher than the 0.1% gain expected. On annual basis, the PPI climbed 1.7%, marking the smallest increase since early 2024. Excluding the more volatile food and energy sectors, the index rose 0.3% from the previous month and 2.4% from a year earlier. Within categories, costs for physician and hospital inpatient care remained unchanged, while airfares decreased by 0.8% as airlines adjusted to reduced discretionary travel spending.

US jobless claims pick up for the first time in three weeks

US unemployment benefit applications rose for the first time in three weeks, with initial claims increasing by 2,000 to 230,000 for the week ending September 7, surpassing the forecast of 226,000. Continuing claims also rose to 1.85 million for the week ending August 31. The four-week moving average increased to 230,750, marking its first rise in five weeks. Despite this increase, claims levels have remained relatively low, and there are no current signs of a labor market downturn.

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On Thursday, the European Central Bank cut interest rates by 25 basis points to 3.50% due to slowing inflation and faltering economic growth but offered little guidance on future policy. The ECB maintained its inflation forecasts and slightly raised projections for core inflation, while also noting easing labor cost pressures. The bank slightly downgraded its eurozone growth forecast, expecting reduced domestic demand. ECB President Christine Lagarde emphasized that future rate decisions will remain data-dependent.

Hawkish BOJ policymaker calls for rates to rise to at least 1%

On Thursday, hawkish BOJ policymaker Naoki Tamura called for raising interest rates to at least 1% by late next year, marking the first specific target set by a BOJ official. He suggested that Japan's economy is moving closer to achieving the BOJ's 2% inflation goal, which justifies a rate increase to a neutral level of around 1% by late 2025. Tamura's comments follow other BOJ board members' support for ongoing rate hikes despite recent market fluctuations.

The dollar was weighed on by the risk-on sentiment

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.556, +0.70 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB346A) was 2.555, +1.00 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 3.65, +0.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 33.74 moving in a range of 33.31 – 33.39 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 33.20 – 33.50 today. The dollar was pressured by a risk-on sentiment, with mixed PPI data and jobless claims aligning with expectations having minimal impact on the currency or on the prospects of a 25bps Fed rate cut next week. Meanwhile, the euro capitalized on the dollar's weakness, gradually rising from around the 1.1000 mark, despite the anticipated ECB rate cuts. The Japanese yen also gained from the weaker dollar, pushing USD/JPY below the 142.00 level.

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



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Currency Market

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Currency 1M History		Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range		
Currency	TWITISTOLY	Lasi	/#City (1D)	//City (144)	/6 City (1W)	Min	Max	
Dollar Index	\	101.81	0.3%	0.83%	-0.8%	100.67	103.18	
EUR/USD	<u></u>	1.1004	-0.3%	-1.0%	-0.1%	1.0913	1.1181	
USD/JPY	<u></u>	142.51	0.6%	-0.3%	-3.2%	141.65	148.96	
USD/CHF	~~/	0.8526	0.9%	1.2%	-1.5%	0.8415	0.8718	
GBP/USD	<u></u>	1.3038	-0.4%	-1.1%	1.5%	1.2705	1.3239	
USD/CAD		1.3585	-0.2%	0.7%	-0.9%	1.3459	1.3746	
AUD/USD	$\overline{}$	0.6675	0.3%	-0.8%	1.0%	0.6549	0.6796	
NZD/USD	$\overline{}$	0.6137	-0.1%	-1.4%	2.3%	0.5996	0.6280	
ASEAN Dollar	-	102.40	0.2%	-0.3%	-2.0%	101.73	105.50	
USD/THB	~	33.74	0.4%	0.6%	-3.8%	33.54	35.24	
USD/SGD	\	1.3046	0.2%	0.5%	-0.9%	1.2984	1.3240	
USD/MYR	\	4.3309	0.0%	0.1%	-2.3%	4.3149	4.4686	
USD/IDR	\	15,350	-0.2%	0.1%	-1.7%	15,331	15,900	
USD/PHP	\	56.29	0.0%	0.1%	-1.6%	56.24	57.62	
USD/CNY		7.1167	0.02%	0.6%	-0.4%	7.0761	7.1726	
USD/HKD	✓	7.7963	0.02%	0.1%	0.1%	7.7805	7.8010	

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%Chg(1D)	Date	Equity	Bond	Total
1-month		0.15	0.15	12/09/2024	827	246	1,074
3-month	•	0.70	-0.05	11/09/2024	2,680	2,863	5,542
6-month	••	1.50	-0.20	10/09/2024	560	-720	-160
				09/09/2024	3,646	-352	3,294
Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn Chg(1W)	06/09/2024	10,757	-21	10,736
Total		235,685	-1274	Last 5 days	18,470	2,016	20,486
Golds		18,878	-69	Period-to-d	late Equity	Bond	Total
SDR		5,567	-27		ato =quity	20114	. •
IMF Reserves		1,141	-5	MTD Month	23,209	12,060	4 35,269
Foreign Ccy		210,100	-1174	QTD Quarter	15,493	67,063	• 82,556
Net Fwd Position		26,485	-90	YTD Year	-101,539	21,078	-80 ,461
Money Market		Last	update: 30/08/2024				

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THB	THB 1M Hist Last		1M R	ange	THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M Ra	ange	USD	4M High	Last	1M F	Range
BIBOR	BOR IN FIST Last	Min	Max	INDFIX	IIVI IIISL	Lası	Min	Max	LIBOR	1M Hist	Lasi	Min	Max	
ON	1	2.50	0.00	2.50	ON		1.72	1.14	1.72	ON		0.08	0.07	0.08
1W	\sim	2.53	0.00	2.53	1W		1.61	0.22	1.61	1W		0.00	0.00	0.00
1M		2.55	0.00	2.55	1M		1.59	0.88	1.72	1M	مسسب	0.35	0.12	0.35
2M	~~~	2.60	0.00	2.60						2M		0.00	0.00	0.00
3M	~~~	2.65	0.00	2.65	3M		1.81	1.09	1.82	3M	مسسب	0.75	0.34	0.75
6M		2.71	0.00	2.71	6M		1.95	1.31	1.99	6M	مسس	1.04	0.56	1.04
12M	\	2.81	0.00	2.82	12M	~	2.26	1.59	2.26	12M	مسسي	1.49	1.00	1.49
							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

Fixed Income	1M History	VTM (%) Res Cha (1D)		Pro Cha /1W	Des Cha (1M)	1M Range	
Fixed income	TWI HISTOTY	1 1 W (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W	Bps Chg (1M)	Min	Max
UST10y		3.6800	3.00	-4.00	-15.00	3.65	3.94
Gilt 10y		3.8099	-2.97	-8.76	-11.53	3.81	4.02
Bund 10y	\sim	2.1300	2.00	-4.00	-6.00	2.11	2.33
JGB 10y	✓	0.8960	1.00	1.60	3.50	0.83	0.95
TGB 1y		2.2811	0.09	0.20	-0.62	2.28	2.32
TGB 2y	-	2.1780	-0.37	-0.83	-2.65	2.18	2.24
TGB 5y		2.2782	0.51	-0.12	-0.40	2.27	2.34
TGB 7y	✓	2.4224	0.31	-0.15	-0.36	2.41	2.46
TGB 10y		2.5564	0.70	1.07	-0.20	2.54	2.60
AAA Spread	~_~	56.54	-0.08	1.45	-9.02	53.90	71.23
AA Spread	~	82.44	0.59	4.90	12.79	67.08	82.44
A Spread		98.59	-2.70	-7.48	-17.90	98.59	121.92
BBB Spread		0.00	0.00	-235.27	-234.54	0.00	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	Loot	%Chg (1D)		9/ Cha /1\A\	%Chg (1M)		1M Range		
Commodity	TIVI HISTORY	Last			%Chg (1W)			Min	Max	
Brent Crude	~~~	70.61	2.1%		-2.9%	-11.5%		69.19	82.30	
London Gold	~~~~	2516.6	-0.21%		0.0%	1.8%		2,423.5	2,524.2	

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

Equity Market

Equity index	1M History	Last	%Cng (1D)	%Cng (1w)	%Cng (1M)	4	
Equity index	madx motory		/// Olig (15)	/// Ong (111)	//Olig (IIII)	Min	Max
S&P500 (US)		5,595.8	0.75%	3.5%	0.9%	5,344.4	5,648.4
STOXX (EU)		499.1	0.9%	1.4%	0.8%	483.4	, 512.1
FTSE All-Share(UK)) \	4,076.1	0.2%	-0.3%	2.9%	3,933.2	4,088.1
DAX (DE)		18,518.4	1.0%	1.2%	1.8%	17,726.5	18,930.9
CAC All-Tradable(FR)) -	5,513.0	0.5%	1.0%	0.2%	5,378.8	5,665.2
TOPIX (JP)		2,592.5	2.4%	-0.2%	-0.3%	2,483.3	2,733.3
Shanghai (CH)		2,847.6	-0.2%	-1.8%	-5.6%	2,847.6	3,032.9
Hang Seng (HK)		17,240.4	0.8%	-1.2%	0.7%	17,090.2	17,989.1
ASX 200 (AU)		8,075.7	1.1%	0.8%	2.7%	7,813.7	8,109.9
SET (TH)		1,421.6	0.4%	-0.4%	10.2%	1,289.8	1,431.1
SET50 (TH)		897.3	0.4%	-0.9%	9.7%	817.7	905.3
Straits Times (SG)		3,556.5	0.7%	3.0%	7.3%	3,235.4	3,556.5
FTSE Malay (MY)	\sim	1,638.3	-0.1%	-0.9%	1.6%	1,606.7	1,678.8
JSX Index (ID)		7,761.0	0.0%	1.0%	4.4%	7,257.0	7,761.4
PSE Index (PH)		7,024.7	1.1%	1.3%	5.6%	6,549.3	7,024.7

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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

1,208.3

1,285.3

2.1%

1M Range

Vn Index (VN)

-1.4%

1,256.4

0.2%