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U.S. business activity declines slightly

In August, U.S. business activity fell to its lowest level in four months. The Flash U.S. composite PMI slightly decreased to 54.1 from 54.3 in July but remains strong overall. Manufacturing activity dropped to 48, the steepest decline this year, due to reduced production and orders. Conversely, the Flash Services PMI rose to 55.2 from 55.0, exceeding expectations.

US jobless benefits edged up slightly last week

The initial jobless claims for the week corresponding with the BLS' August payrolls report increased to 232,000 from 228,000, slightly surpassing the anticipated 230,000. The four-week average remained relatively stable at 236,000, compared to the previous 236,750. At the same time, continued jobless claims rose to 1.863 million from 1.859 million, although this was below the expected 1.867 million.

Eurozone business activity in August was unexpectedly robust

The eurozone economy received an unexpectedly strong boost from the Paris Olympics, accelerating private-sector growth to its fastest rate in three months. S&P Global's composite Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) rose to 51.2 in August from 50.2 in July, surpassing even the most optimistic predictions. The services PMI reached its highest level since April, climbing to 53.3 from 51.9 and exceeding forecasts for no change. However, the region's manufacturing sector saw a deeper decline, with the manufacturing PMI falling to an eight-month low of 45.6 from 45.8 in July. Despite this, the output index edged up slightly to 45.7 from 45.6.

Japan's core CPI rose as expected in July, but underlying inflation was weak

In July, Japanese core consumer price index inflation increased as anticipated, but a decrease in underlying inflation—falling below the Bank of Japan's target—has cast doubt on the central bank's aggressive stance. Core CPI, which excludes volatile fresh food prices, rose by 2.7% year-over-year in July, up from 2.6% the previous month and in line with forecasts. However, the core CPI that strips out both fresh food and energy prices, a key measure of underlying inflation for the BOJ, dropped to 1.9% in July from 2.2% in June. This figure fell below the BOJ's 2% target and is the lowest since September 2022. Meanwhile, headline CPI inflation increased by 2.8% in July.

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The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.563, -0.73 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB346A) was 2.56, -0.5 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 3.86, +7.0 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 34.34 moving in a range of 34.46 – 34.53 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 34.30 - 34.60 today. The dollar broke its four-day losing streak, finding support around 101.00 after mixed US data eased concerns about an economic downturn and labor market issues. This shift in focus turned attention to Powell's remarks at Jackson Hole. The euro fell as the dollar strengthened, with EUR/USD testing the 1.1100 level and finding support. The Japanese yen weakened, with USD/JPY rising above 146.00 due to higher US yields.

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 Ra	1M Range		
Currency	TWITISTOLY	Lasi	/6 City (1D)	/8 Cilg (14)	// // City (1W	Min	Max		
Dollar Index	~	101.30	-0.2%	-1.7%	-2.8%	101.51	104.58		
EUR/USD		1.1134	0.2%	1.5%	2.2%	1.0801	1.1113		
USD/JPY		145.41	-0.1%	-2.4%	-7.0%	144.03	158.51		
USD/CHF		0.8520	-0.3%	-2.3%	-4.2%	0.8512	0.8957		
GBP/USD		1.3082							
			0.5%	1.7%	1.2%	1.2691	1.3022		
USD/CAD		1.3598	-0.2%	-1.0%	-1.2%	1.3625	1.3880		
AUD/USD	-	0.6732	-0.1%	1.8%	1.5%	0.6470	0.6740		
NZD/USD		0.6150	0.1%	2.6%	3.0%	0.5885	0.6147		
ASEAN Dollar		100.70	-0.4%	-1.3%	-5.1%	101.11	106.16		
USD/THB		34.34	0.4%	-2.1%	-5.3%	34.21	36.25		
USD/SGD	~	1.3065	0.0%	-1.1%	-2.8%	1.3062	1.3444		
USD/MYR		4.3778	0.1%	-1.6%	-6.3%	4.3681	4.6801		
USD/IDR	$\overline{}$	15,478	0.6%	-1.0%	-3.9%	15,382	16,229		
USD/PHP	$\overline{}$	56.63	-0.2%	-1.4%	-3.5%	56.74	58.87		
USD/CNY		7.1278	0.08%	-0.6%	-2.0%	7.1220	7.2748		
USD/HKD	~~	7.7957	0.06%	0.0%	-0.1%	7.7718	7.8110		

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	22/08/2024	-849	-1,035	-1,884
3-month	•	0.70	-0.05	21/08/2024	756	3,693	4,450
6-month	•	1.50	-0.20	20/08/2024	1,789	-1,542	247
			,	19/08/2024	-10,487	5,098	-5,388
Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn Chg(1W)	16/08/2024	335	-2,587	-2,253
Total		232,191	83	Last 5 days	-8,456	3,627	-4,829
Golds		18,334	-93	Period-to-c	date Equity	Bond	Total
SDR		5,514	-1	renou-to-t	late Equity	Bolld	Total
IMF Reserves		1,132	0	MTD Month	-9,986	29,088	19,102
Foreign Ccy		207,211	178	QTD Quarter	-11,738	6 56,905	45,166
Net Fwd Position		26,535	-705	YTD Year	-128,770	10,919	-117,851
Money Market		Last	update: 09/08/2024				

Money Market

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THB	1M Hist	Lact	1M R	ange	THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	USD	4M High	Last	1M R	ange
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ON	~~	2.50	0.00	2.50	ON		1.72	1.14	1.72	ON	<u></u>	0.08	0.07	0.08
1W	~~	2.52	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	\sim	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	$\overline{}$	2.71	0.00	2.71	6M	~~	1.95	1.31	1.99	6M	مسسم	1.04	0.56	1.04
12M	<u></u>	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	1M History	YTM (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Chg (1M)	1M Range	
Fixed income	TIVI HISTORY	1 1 W (%)	bps Cilg (1D)	bps Clig (TW)	Bps Clig (TM)	Min	Max
UST10y	~~	3.8600	7.00	-3.00	-41.00	3.78	4.28
Gilt 10y	\	3.8991	-2.76	8.79	-21.71	3.81	4.13
Bund 10y		2.2200	0.00	-2.00	-20.00	2.13	2.48
JGB 10y		0.9000	0.40	0.20	-18.40	0.78	1.08
TGB 1y		2.2795	-0.60	-0.48	-10.73	2.28	2.39
TGB 2y		2.2036	-1.17	-0.35	-14.31	2.20	2.35
TGB 5y		2.3092	-1.59	2.31	-8.60	2.26	2.40
TGB 7y	~	2.4381	-1.19	0.91	-7.38	2.37	2.51
TGB 10y	<u> </u>	2.5627	-0.73	0.82	-7.51	2.52	2.64
AAA Spread	<u></u>	59.93	-0.38	0.68	-7.73	58.19	71.29
AA Spread	~~	81.86	4.34	6.17	1.59	67.08	82.60
A Spread	-	101.70	1.73	-11.35	-19.49	99.97	122.92
BBB Spread	<u></u>	0.00	0.00	-235.74	-234.62	0.00	273.39

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	%Chg (1D)	9/ Cha /1W/\	9/ Cha (1M)	1M Range		
Commodity	TWI FIISTOLY	Last	/₀Cilg (1D)	% Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	Min	Max	
Brent Crude	~~~	76.05	-1.49%	-6.2%	-6.9%	76.05	82.63	
London Gold		2505.1	-0.10%	1.7%	5.6%	2,371.3	2,521.6	

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

Equity Market

Equity Indox 1M Hist		1004	0/ Cha /4 D	\	0/ Cha /4 M/\		
Equity Index	1M History	Last	% Chg (1D)) %Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	Min	Max
S&P500 (US)	~	5,570.6	-0.9%	0.3%	2.6%	5,186.3	5,620.9
STOXX (EU)		502.6	0.0%	0.9%	1.1%	472.8	507.3
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,076.1	0.2%	-0.3%	2.9%	3,933.2	4,088.1
DAX (DE)		18,493.4	0.2%	0.9%	1.1%	17,339.0	18,557.7
CAC All-Tradable(FR)		5,576.4	0.0%	1.0%	1.2%	5,291.7	5,645.3
TOPIX (JP)		2,671.4	0.2%	-0.3%	-4.4%	2,227.2	2,860.8
Shanghai (CH)		2,985.7	-0.3%	-1.1%	-1.3%	2,985.7	3,107.4
Hang Seng (HK)		17,641.0	1.4%	1.2%	3.7%	16,647.3	17,641.0
ASX 200 (AU)		8,027.0	0.2%	0.7%	2.1%	7,649.6	8,114.7
SET (TH)		1,341.0	0.2%	2.9%	3.0%	1,274.0	1,341.0
SET50 (TH)		846.8	0.1%	2.6%	3.8%	806.0	<i>'</i>
Straits Times (SG)	<i></i>	3,373.6	0.0%	0.6%	-2.5%	3,198.4	3,461.2
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,641.7	0.4%	1.1%	1.6%	1,536.5	1,648.7
JSX Index (ID)		7,488.7	-0.9%	0.8%	3.4%	7,059.7	7,554.6
PSE Index (PH)		6,962.0	0.9%	1.7%	4.4%	6,433.2	6,962.0

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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

1,188.1

1,284.1

4.0%

Vn Index (VN)

2.4%

1,282.8

-0.1%