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Fed's Bowman cautious on rate cuts amid inflation risks

On Tuesday, Federal Reserve Governor Michelle Bowman remained cautious about cutting interest rates and warned against reacting too strongly to recent easing inflation data, citing persistent upside risks. She also minimized concerns about July's labor market weakness, explaining that the rise in unemployment was largely due to temporary layoffs, with affected workers expected to be rehired soon.

Japan's exports soar, signaling economic recovery

In July, Japan's exports surged by 10.3% due to a weak yen and stronger automotive sales, up from 5.4% the previous month. This growth closely matched the 11.5% forecasted increase. Imports rose by 16.6%, exceeding the 14.6% prediction, leading to a \$4.3 billion trade deficit. This export boost may ease concerns for the Bank of Japan, which is dealing with economic and market volatility following recent rate hikes and cautious statements from Governor Kazuo Ueda. Additionally, vehicle exports showed signs of recovery after earlier safety certification issues.

Canada's inflation fell to a 40-month low of 2.5% in July

Canada's annual inflation rate dropped to a 40-month low of 2.5% in July, meeting expectations, and core inflation also eased, suggesting the Bank of Canada may cut interest rates again in September. The consumer price index rose by 0.4% monthly, in line with forecasts. This July slowdown in inflation was mainly due to reduced costs for travel tours, passenger vehicles, and electricity.

Taiwan's July export orders surpassed forecasts on AI chip demand

Taiwan's export orders exceeded expectations in July, driven by strong demand for AI-related chips, with the government anticipating this trend to continue into August. Orders surged 4.8% year-over-year to \$50.03 billion, surpassing the 2.6% increase forecast and June's 3.1% rise. Taiwan, home to major tech firms like chipmaker TSMC, serves as a key indicator of global tech demand. Additionally, Orders from China dipped slightly by 0.1%, in contrast to a 3.5% increase the previous month, while orders from the United States rose 14.3%, up from a 3.7% gain in June.

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The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.571, +2.62 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB346A) was 2.565, +2.5 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 3.82, -4.0 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 34.29 moving in a range of 34.065 – 34.13 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 34.00 - 34.30 today. The Dollar Index fell for the third consecutive day in a quiet news session, dropping to 101.39, just above the year-to-date low of 101.29. The Euro, along with other G10 currencies, benefited from the weaker dollar, with EUR/USD rising above 1.11 for the first time this year. Meanwhile, the Japanese yen performed well within the G10, supported by the weaker dollar and reduced yield differentials, as USD/JPY dropped to the lower end of the 145 range.

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



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Currency Market

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Currency	ency 1M History Las		%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range		
Currency	TWITISTOLY	Lasi	//Clig (1D)	/6 City (1 VV)	/a Crig (TWI)	Min	Max	
Dollar Index	-~	101.84	-0.3%	-0.8%	-1.9%	102.20	104.58	
EUR/USD		1.1083	0.4%	0.9%	1.4%	1.0801	1.1042	
USD/JPY	~~	146.49	-0.1%	-0.3%	-6.1%	144.03	159.08	
USD/CHF		0.8608	-0.5%	-0.5%	-2.6%	0.8512	0.8959	
GBP/USD		1.2995	0.2%	1.1%	-0.1%	1.2691	1.3005	
USD/CAD		1.3627	-0.3%	-0.7%	-0.4%	1.3626	1.3880	
AUD/USD		0.6724	0.5%	1.5%	-0.1%	0.6470	0.6766	
NZD/USD		0.6123	0.7%	1.5%	0.8%	0.5885	0.6094	
ASEAN Dollar	<u> </u>	102.62	0.2%	-0.5%	-3.0%	102.39	106.12	
USD/THB		34.29	-0.5%	-1.9%	-4.7%	34.45	36.25	
USD/SGD	$\overline{}$	1.3073	-0.2%	-0.7%	-2.4%	1.3102	1.3444	
USD/MYR		4.3681	-0.2%	-1.3%	-6.3%	4.3771	4.6801	
USD/IDR	_	15,421	-0.8%	-1.7%	-4.1%	15,543	16,229	
USD/PHP		56.85	-0.2%	-0.7%	-2.8%	56.97	58.87	
USD/CNY	\sim	7.1259	-0.13%	-0.3%	-1.8%	7.1220	7.2748	
USD/HKD	~	7.7811	-0.04%	-0.1%	-0.3%	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	20/08/2024	1,789	-1,542	247
3-month		0.70	-0.05	19/08/2024	-10,487	5,098	-5,388
6-month	•	1.50	-0.20	16/08/2024	335	-2,587	-2,253
				15/08/2024	-516	-8,832	-9,348
Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn Chg(1W)	14/08/2024	438	-8,537	-8,098
Total		232,191	83	Last 5 days	-8,440	-16,400	-24,840
Golds		18,334	-93	Period-to-c	date Equity	Bond	Total
SDR		5,514	-1	renou-to-c	date Equity	Bolla	Total
IMF Reserves		1,132	0	MTD Month	-9,893	26,429	16,536
Foreign Ccy		207,211	178	QTD Quarter	-11,645	4 54,246	42,601
Net Fwd Position		26,535	-705	YTD Year	-128,677	9 8,261	-120,416
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ON	_~	2.50	0.00	2.50	ON	-	1.72	1.14	1.72	ON		0.08	0.07	0.08	
1W	<u> </u>	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	→	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	2.72	6M	~	1.95	1.31	1.99	6M	مسسم	1.04	0.56	1.04	
12M	~	2.81	0.00	2.82	12M	~~	2.26	1.59	2.26	12M		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 YTM (%)		Bno Cha (1D) Bno Cha		Bps Chg (1M)	1M Range	
Fixed income	TIVITISTOLY	1 1 W (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Clig (TWI)	Min	Max
UST10y	~~	3.8200	-4.00	-1.00	-43.00	3.78	4.28
Gilt 10y	-	3.9095	-0.16	-1.57	-19.30	3.81	4.13
Bund 10y	~~	2.2400	2.00	4.00	-22.00	2.13	2.48
JGB 10y	~	0.9160	0.20	8.30	-14.70	0.78	1.08
TGB 1y		2.2849	0.31	-0.98	-9.80	2.28	2.39
TGB 2y		2.2107	0.27	-1.09	-13.17	2.20	2.35
TGB 5y		2.3060	2.41	-0.28	-6.82	2.26	2.40
TGB 7y	$\overline{}$	2.4369	1.63	-0.20	-6.09	2.37	2.51
TGB 10y		2.5708	2.62	-0.01	-5.41	2.52	2.64
AAA Spread		60.36	-0.39	0.75	-7.57	54.72	71.37
AA Spread	~~	82.54	5.00	6.74	2.33	67.14	85.02
A Spread		101.19	0.88	-14.50	-19.78	100.31	123.11
BBB Spread		0.00	0.00	-236.06	-234.64	0.00	248.70

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	9/ Cha (1D)	%Chg (1W)	9/ Cha (1M)	1M Ra	ange
Commodity	TIVI HISTOTY	Last	%Chg (1D)	/6 City (1 W)	%Chg (1M)	Min	Max
Brent Crude	~~~	77.66	-2.41%	-4.1%	-5.8%	76.30	85.11
London Gold		2521.6	0.86%	2.0%	4.9%	2,371.3	2,521.6

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

Equity Market

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Equity Index	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	Min	Max	
S&P500 (US)		5,597.1	-0.2%	2.6%	0.6%	5,186.3	5,608.3	
STOXX (EU)		499.6		2.3%	-1.5%	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)		18,357.5	-0.3%	2.6%	-1.1%	17,339.0	18,557.7	
CAC All-Tradable(FR)		5,546.5	-0.3%	2.0%	-1.5%	5,291.7	5,645.3	
TOPIX (JP)		2,670.5	1.1%	3.4%	-5.6%	2,227.2	2,915.2	
Shanghai (CH)		3,004.6	-0.9%	0.6%	-1.7%	2,987.7	3,126.4	
Hang Seng (HK)		17,511.1	-0.3%	2.3%	0.2%	16,647.3	17,778.4	
ASX 200 (AU)		7,997.7	0.2%	1.9%	0.3%	7,649.6	8,114.7	
SET (TH)		1,328.1	0.4%	2.7%	0.3%	1,274.0	1,328.1	
SET50 (TH)		840.0	_	2.6%	1.5%	806.0	840.0	
Straits Times (SG)		3,370.3	0.4%	2.6%	-1.9%	3,198.4	3,489.6	
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,642.8	-0.4%	1.9%	0.8%	1,536.5	1,648.7	
JSX Index (ID)		7,534.0	0.9%	1.3%	3.0%	7,059.7	7,534.0	
PSE Index (PH)		6,944.8	0.8%	3.6%	3.5%	6,433.2	6,944.8	

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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

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3.3%

Vn Index (VN)

3.4%

1,272.6

0.9%