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US retail sales demonstrate the resilience of the economy's growth driver

US retail sales in September showed stronger-than-expected growth, highlighting resilient consumer spending that continues to support the economy. Retail sales rose by 0.4%, surpassing the 0.3% forecast and up from 0.1% the previous month. Excluding autos, core sales increased by 0.5%, above the anticipated 0.1% and the prior 0.2%. The supercore, which excludes gas and autos, rose by 0.7%, up from 0.3%. Additionally, the control metric—an indicator of consumer spending for GDP—also rose by 0.7%, exceeding both the previous and forecasted 0.3%. Gains were driven by miscellaneous store retailers, clothing stores, and food services. However, electronics, gasoline stations, and furniture saw declines. The robust retail control figures suggest positive implications for Q3 GDP.

ECB lowers rates as anticipated, stating it is on track to control inflation

On Thursday, the European Central Bank (ECB) cut interest rates for the third time this year, reducing the deposit rate by 25 basis points to 3.25%. This decision reflects slow economic growth and declining consumer price pressures, with inflation now below 2% and potentially reaching the 2% target sooner than expected. The ECB noted that the disinflation process is progressing, influenced by recent disappointing economic activity indicators. Lagarde indicated that more data will be available before the December 12th meeting, and while she hasn't ruled out another rate cut then, current policy remains restrictive. The market expects another 25 basis point cut in December, with an additional 115 basis points of easing anticipated in 2025.

China's \$562 billion loan plan for unfinished homes disappoints

China's decision to nearly double the loan quota for unfinished residential projects to 4 trillion yuan (\$562 billion) fell short of market expectations, resulting in a drop in property shares as investors sought stronger policies. The government set a new year-end loan target for designated "white-list" property projects after allocating 2.23 trillion yuan by October 16. This initiative, aimed at ensuring homes are completed, is part of a wider set of measures announced during a briefing on Thursday.

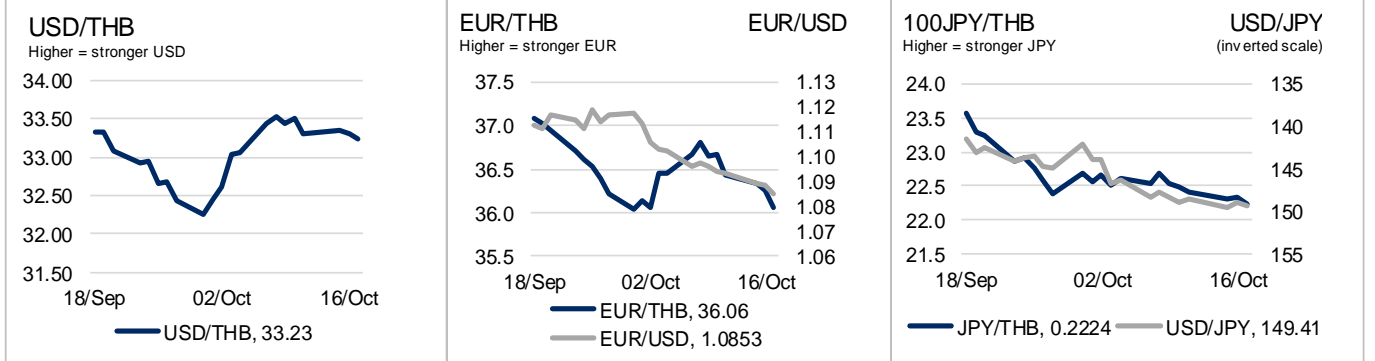
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The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.425, -0.89 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB346A) was 2.41, +1.0 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 4.09, +7.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 33.23 moving in a range of 33.135 – 33.19 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 33.00 – 33.25 today. The Dollar strengthened on Thursday, gaining momentum after US retail sales exceeded expectations. Additionally, initial jobless claims unexpectedly dropped to 241,000, contrary to forecasts of no change at 260,000. The Dollar Index climbed from a low of 103.44 to a peak of 103.87, surpassing its 200-day moving average of 103.77, with the next target at 104.00 before reaching the August 2 high of 104.43. The euro faced pressure against the Dollar following the US data, while the ECB's anticipated rate cut had little impact. Meanwhile, the Japanese yen weakened, with USD/JPY returning to the 150.00 range as US yields rose after the data release.

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

SET Index	1,495.0	S&P500	5,841.5	10Y UST	4.09%	Brent	74.22	Gold	2,678.5
17-Oct	▲ 0.67%	17-Oct	▼ -0.02%	17-Oct	▲ 7.0 bps	16-Oct	▼ -0.04%	17-Oct	▼ -0.04%

USD/THB 33.23	Daily ▼ -0.22%	EUR/THB 36.06	Daily ▼ -0.52%	JPY/THB 0.2224	Daily ▼ -0.46%
Falling Trend	Weekly ▼ -0.84%	Falling Trend	Weekly ▼ -1.66%	Falling Trend	Weekly ▼ -1.09%
	Monthly ▼ -0.31%		Monthly ▼ -2.79%		Monthly ▼ -5.78%



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Currency Market

Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
Dollar Index		103.57	0.31%	0.70%	2.7%	100.32	103.29
EUR/USD		1.0853	-0.3%	-0.8%	-2.5%	1.0886	1.1189
USD/JPY		149.41	0.2%	0.2%	5.6%	140.15	149.53
USD/CHF		0.8658	0.4%	0.6%	2.4%	0.8406	0.8626
GBP/USD		1.2986	-0.49%	-0.7%	-1.4%	1.3038	1.3413
USD/CAD		1.3768	-0.12%	0.4%	1.3%	1.3433	1.3813
AUD/USD		0.6689	0.06%	-0.5%	-1.1%	0.6675	0.6931
NZD/USD		0.6064	0.0%	-0.2%	-2.3%	0.6061	0.6372
ASEAN Dollar		107.26	0.2%	0.0%	1.3%	103.60	107.28
USD/THB		33.23	-0.2%	-0.8%	-0.3%	32.26	33.54
USD/SGD		1.3122	0.3%	0.5%	1.4%	1.2786	1.3091
USD/MYR		4.3003	0.1%	0.3%	1.3%	4.1044	4.3309
USD/IDR		15,435	-0.2%	-0.8%	0.9%	15,044	15,575
USD/PHP		57.90	-0.1%	1.0%	3.5%	55.83	57.95
USD/CNY		7.1276	0.16%	0.8%	0.6%	6.9837	7.1167
USD/HKD		7.7739	0.13%	0.1%	-0.2%	7.7604	7.7963

FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	%Chg(1D)
1-month		0.15	0.15
3-month		0.70	-0.05
6-month		1.50	-0.20

Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn Chg(1W)
Total		240,721	-2463
Gold		20,010	-37
SDR		5,556	-55
IMF Reserves		1,135	-15
Foreign Ccy		214,020	-2356
Net Fwd Position		26,070	-25

Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

Date	Equity	Bond	Total
17/10/2024	-2,560	-2,107	-4,667
16/10/2024	4,201	-1,439	2,763
15/10/2024	-2,355	2,289	-67
11/10/2024	-1,165	-1,220	-2,385
10/10/2024	-1,604	392	-1,212
Last 5 days	-3,483	-2,085	-5,568

Period-to-date	Equity	Bond	Total
MTD Month	↓ -17,920	↓ -23,078	↓ -40,998
QTD Quarter	↓ -17,920	↓ -23,078	↓ -40,998
YTD Year	↓ -113,490	↑ 294	↓ -113,196

Money Market

Last update: 04/10/2024

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
ON		2.50	0.00	2.50	ON		1.72	1.14	1.72	ON		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		0.35	0.12	0.35
2M		2.60	0.00	2.60	2M					2M		0.00	0.00	0.00
3M		2.65	0.00	2.65	3M		1.81	1.09	1.82	3M		0.75	0.34	0.75
6M		2.70	0.00	2.71	6M		1.95	1.31	1.99	6M		1.04	0.56	1.04
12M		2.81	0.00	2.81	12M		2.26	1.59	2.26	12M		1.49	1.00	1.49

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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

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

Fixed Income Market

Fixed Income	1M History	YTM (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
UST10y		4.0900	7.00	0.00	39.00	3.63	4.09
Gilt 10y		4.0433	-10.26	-16.75	21.79	3.73	4.23
Bund 10y		2.2100	2.00	-8.00	1.00	2.06	2.29
JGB 10y		0.9670	1.00	0.70	10.40	0.85	0.98
TGB 1y		2.1660	-1.85	-9.40	-9.49	2.18	2.28
TGB 2y		2.1030	-1.24	-9.98	-3.72	2.12	2.21
TGB 5y		2.1676	-1.56	-13.42	-4.45	2.18	2.32
TGB 7y		2.2780	-0.73	-10.74	-8.36	2.29	2.41
TGB 10y		2.4248	-0.89	-11.90	-9.73	2.43	2.57
AAA Spread		66.38	3.77	6.04	-2.34	53.32	68.72
AA Spread		79.95	-0.29	1.34	11.96	67.14	81.84
A Spread		102.85	1.19	2.09	-7.13	98.95	119.67
BBB Spread		0.00	0.00	0.00	-234.55	0.00	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	% Chg (1D)	% Chg (1W)	% Chg (1M)	1M Range	
						Min	Max
Brent Crude		74.22	-0.04%	-6.4%	0.8%	71.09	81.13
London Gold		2678.5	-0.04%	1.6%	3.4%	2,568.4	2,679.4

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)		5,841.5	-0.02%	0.5%	2.2%	5,618.3	5,859.9
STOXX (EU)		509.6	0.7%	-0.4%	0.34%	501.5	522.7
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,076.1	0.2%	-0.3%	2.9%	3,933.2	4,088.1
DAX (DE)		19,583.4	0.8%	1.1%	3.1%	18,633.1	19,583.4
CAC All-Tradable(FR)		5,625.0	1.2%	0.1%	-0.5%	5,526.9	5,773.1
TOPIX (JP)		2,687.8	-0.1%	-0.9%	5.2%	2,530.7	2,740.9
Shanghai (CH)		3,322.0	-1.0%	-1.5%	15.5%	2,834.0	3,657.6
Hang Seng (HK)		20,079.1	-1.0%	-5.5%	15.3%	17,108.7	23,099.8
ASX 200 (AU)		8,355.9	0.9%	1.7%	2.6%	8,099.9	8,355.9
SET (TH)		1,495.0	0.7%	1.8%	4.1%	1,424.4	1,495.0
SET50 (TH)		956.5	0.9%	2.3%	5.7%	899.8	956.5
Straits Times (SG)		3,625.3	1.0%	1.4%	-0.2%	3,570.4	3,638.5
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,641.4	0.5%	0.5%	-1.5%	1,630.0	1,673.4
JSX Index (ID)		7,735.0	1.1%	2.9%	-2.2%	7,480.1	7,905.4
PSE Index (PH)		7,400.3	-0.5%	1.2%	2.8%	7,104.2	7,554.7
Vn Index (VN)		1,286.5	0.6%	-0.1%	1.2%	1,239.3	1,292.2

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

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