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October's strong US retail sales highlight economic resilience

US retail sales rise, fueled by auto purchases, as holiday season begins

US retail sales rose in October, driven by a surge in auto purchases, while other categories showed signs of momentum as the holiday season approached. Overall retail sales increased 0.4% month-over-month, beating the forecasted 0.3%, but falling short of the prior 0.8%, which had been revised up from 0.4%. Excluding autos, sales grew 0.1%, missing expectations of a 0.3% rise, although September's figure was revised to 1.0% from 0.5%. Retail control group sales unexpectedly fell 0.1%, while a 0.3% increase had been anticipated, though September's data was revised up to 1.2% from 0.7%. Economists highlighted that the strong overall growth suggests sustained private consumption.

Fed Collins stated that a December rate cut is "definitely an option, but not guaranteed"

In interviews with the WSJ and Bloomberg, Fed President Collins said a December rate cut is possible but not guaranteed, depending on incoming data. She emphasized that current policy is restrictive, with no signs of new price pressures, and that the Fed aims to preserve a healthy economy while remaining flexible on future rate decisions.

The UK economy experienced a steeper slowdown than expected last quarter

The UK economy grew by just 0.1% in Q3, below the expected 0.2%, with a surprise 0.1% contraction in September, This slowdown was driven by concerns over the new Labour government's fiscal plans, which led to a drop in consumer and business confidence. In late October, Labour announced £40 billion in tax hikes, primarily affecting businesses. September saw flat growth in services and a 1% decline in manufacturing.

China's stimulus drives growth in domestic consumption

China entered the fourth guarter with a more balanced economy, as consumption growth nearly matched industrial output. Retail sales rose 4.8% year-on-year, surpassing the forecasted 3.8% and marking the strongest growth since February. Industrial production grew at a slightly slower pace than the previous month but remained above the level needed to meet the government's 2024 growth target of around 5%. Fixed-asset investment increased by 3.4% in the first 10 months, unchanged from the January-September period. However, property investment fell sharply by 10.3%.

The dollar gains for the week as traders reassess rate cut expectations

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.442, +0.11 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB346A) was 2.42, -0.5 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 4.43, +0.00 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 34.89, moving in a range of 34.73 – 34.78 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 34.50 – 34.80 today. The Dollar Index closed lower due to profit-taking but posted solid weekly gains, despite strong US data. The euro gained briefly against the dollar, peaking at 1.0592 before retreating. The Japanese yen outperformed, with USD/JPY falling to 153.87 from 164.74, boosted by profit-taking and slightly stronger-than-expected Japanese GDP data.

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



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1M History	Last	% Cha (1D)	%Cha (1W)	% Chg (1M)	1M Range	
TWITISTOTY	Last	//Clig (1D)	/6 City (144)	/a City (TW)	Min	Max
-	106.72	0.1%	1.58%	3.1%	102.85	106.66
	1.0546	0.0%	-1.5%	-2.8%	1.0546	1.0942
	156.13	0.2%	1.9%	4.5%	148.59	155.85
-	0.8886	0.2%	1.4%	2.6%	0.8568	0.8868
	1.2685	-0.03%	-1.8%	-2.3%	1.2689	1.3077
	1.4051	0.29%	1.0%	2.1%	1.3711	1.4011
	0.6461	-0.17%	-1.9%	-3.4%	0.6472	0.6740
	0.5861	-0.1%	-1.9%	-3.3%	0.5866	0.6099
~	111.03	0.2%	0.6%	3.1%	107.50	111.03
	34.89					35.01
-	1.3429	-0.1%	1.2%	2.3%	1.3050	1.3449
	4.4768	0.0%	1.8%	4.1%	4.2802	4.4782
	15,785	0.1%	1.1%	2.3%	15,399	15,774
	59.06	0.0%	0.7%	2.0%	57.32	59.07
	7.2249	-0.26%	0.6%	1.4%	7.0677	7.2435
~~	7.7717	-0.13%	0.0%	0.0%	7.7618	7.7966
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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	15/11/2024	-970	-726	-1,697
3-month	•	0.70	-0.05	14/11/2024	-3,226	-2,075	-5,301
6-month		1.50	-0.20	13/11/2024	166	435	601
			,	12/11/2024	509	-4,240	-3,732
Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn Chg(1W)	11/11/2024	-757	-2,013	-2,769
Total		238,105	239	Last 5 days	-4,278	-8,619	-12,897
Golds		20,239	-396	Period-to-date	e Equity	Bond	Total
SDR		5,485	-22	r enou-to-date	Equity	Bollu	Iotal
IMF Reserves		1,138	-5	MTD Month	-10,361	4 -35,178	45,538
Foreign Ccy		211,243	662	QTD Quarter	-38,527	-68,198	-106,725
Net Fwd Position		25,835	-115	YTD Year	-134,097	44,826	-178,923
Money Market		Last	update: 08/11/2024				

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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	$\overline{}$	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	<u></u>	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	_	2.70	0.00	2.71	6M		1.95	1.31	1.99	6M	مسسي	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	
							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 (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W	Bps Chg (1M)	1M Ra	inge
Fixed income	TWI HISTOTY	1 1 IVI (%)	Bps Clig (1D)	bps clig (1w) bps clig (TWI)	Min	Max
UST10y		4.4300	0.00	13.00	34.00	4.02	4.44
Gilt 10y	~	4.4871	4.13	1.91	44.39	4.04	4.54
Bund 10y	<u></u>	2.3300	-6.00	1.00	12.00	2.19	2.48
JGB 10y		1.0690	1.60	5.80	11.20	0.94	1.07
TGB 1y	-	2.1390	-0.26	-1.16	-2.70	2.14	2.26
TGB 2y	~	2.0711	-0.15	-1.72	-3.19	2.07	2.19
TGB 5y	√	2.2097	-0.28	-0.20	4.21	2.17	2.28
TGB 7y	~~~	2.2687	-0.04	0.08	-0.93	2.25	2.37
TGB 10y	~~~	2.4419	0.11	0.16	1.71	2.39	2.53
AAA Spread	~~	67.85	1.79	13.51	0.56	54.34	69.55
AA Spread		74.84	-0.24	-6.29	1.36	67.70	82.54
A Spread	~	103.76	-1.09	3.90	-5.17	99.82	115.68
BBB Spread	•••••	0.00	0.00	0.00	-235.42	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 Last		% Cha (1D)	% Cha (1\M)	% Cha (1M)	1M Range	
Commodity	TIWI MISTORY	Lasi	% Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	% Chg (1M)	Min	Max
Brent Crude	~~~	72.56	0.0%	1.0%	-0.7%	71.12	76.05
London Gold		2566.7	0.7%	-3.9%	-5.3%	2,548.5	2,784.0

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		
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S&P500 (US)		5,870.6	-1.3%	-2.2%	0.1%	5,705.5	6,001.4	
STOXX (EU)		497.5	-0.7%	-1.3%	-3.67%	492.7	516.4	
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,076.1	0.2%	-0.3%	2.9%	3,933.2	4,088.1	
DAX (DE)		19,210.8	-0.3%	-1.2%	-2.3%	19,003.1	19,657.4	
CAC All-Tradable(FR)		5,398.3	-0.5%	-2.1%	-4.4%	5,356.9	5,646.2	
TOPIX (JP)		2,711.6	0.4%	-1.0%	0.9%	2,618.3	2,743.1	
Shanghai (CH)		3,491.1	-1.5%	-4.0%	2.1%	3,322.0	3,638.0	
Hang Seng (HK)		19,426.3	0.0%	-4.9%	-3.3%	19,426.3	21,092.9	
ASX 200 (AU)	·	8,224.0	0.4%	-0.9%	-1.6%	8,118.8	8,355.9	
SET (TH)	-	1,442.6	-0.5%	-1.0%	-3.5%	1,442.6	1,495.0	
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SET50 (TH)		931.6	-0.5%	-0.6%	-2.6%	925.0	956.5	
Straits Times (SG)		3,744.7	0.2%	0.1%	2.9%	3,555.4	3,744.7	
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,592.4	-0.5%	-1.0%	-3.0%	1,592.4	1,646.0	
JSX Index (ID)	\	7,214.6	-1.3%	-1.0%	-6.7%	7,214.6	7,789.0	
PSE Index (PH)		6,676.7	1.8%	-3.8%	-9.8%	6,557.1	7,456.3	
Vn Index (VN)		1,218.6	-1.1%	-2.5%	-5.2%	1,218.6	1,286.5	

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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