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US inflation beats forecasts, backing Fed's hold

The headline CPI rose by 0.467% in January, exceeding the 0.3% forecast and up from 0.393% the previous month. Year-over-year, it increased 3.0%, surpassing the expected 2.9%. The shelter index rose 0.4%, contributing nearly 30% of the monthly increase, while energy prices climbed 1.1%, with gasoline up 1.8%. Food prices went up 0.4%, driven by a sharp rise in egg prices. Core CPI rose 0.446%, above the forecasted 0.3%, and the year-over-year increase was 3.3%, slightly higher than expected. The data led to a shift in market expectations, with the next rate cut now expected in December instead of September, signaling that the Fed may need to keep rates higher longer to control inflation.

Powell tells Congress the Fed is still in no rush to lower rates

Fed Chair Powell largely reiterated his January FOMC comments, suggesting that recent data hasn't affected his policy views. He noted that uncertainty over the economic impact of Trump's policies may take time to show in the data. Powell emphasized that the Fed could maintain restraint if the economy stays strong and inflation remains below 2%, but could ease policy if the labor market weakens or inflation drops. He also reaffirmed that the inflation target remains 2%. In a political Q&A with the Senate Banking Committee, Powell said it's unclear which tariff policies will be implemented and their effects, while also noting that inflationary pressures from the labor market have eased. He believes the neutral rate has risen from the pandemic's low levels, and overall economic data is very strong. Meanwhile, on his second day of testimony, Powell stated that the Fed bases decisions on economic conditions and is waiting to assess tariff impacts. He highlighted PCE inflation over CPI and noted that rising long-term rates aren't driven by inflation, as the Fed awaits signs of lower inflation.

Trump and Putin agree on Ukraine talks, signaling a change in US policy

President Trump spoke with Russian President Putin and agreed to start negotiations to end the war in Ukraine, reversing three years of US policy and surprising European allies. Trump called the conversation "lengthy and highly productive" and said negotiations would begin immediately. He also hinted at a possible meeting with Putin in Saudi Arabia soon. Afterward, Trump spoke with Ukraine's President Zelensky, who said steps were being taken to stop Russian aggression.

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The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.272, +0.37 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB346A) was 2.285, +0.5 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 4.62, +8.0 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 34.08, moving in a range of 33.965 – 34.02 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 33.80 – 34.10 today. The dollar traded mixed against its peers, with the index eventually returning to flat after an initial boost from the stronger-than-expected US CPI report. However, gains were pared as markets responded to positive geopolitical updates on Russia and Ukraine. Additionally, Fed Chair Powell's testimony provided little new insight into monetary policy or the economy, though he did comment on January's CPI report, stating that inflation targets have not yet been met. The euro outperformed, briefly reaching 1.0400 against the dollar, supported by optimism about the Russia-Ukraine situation. The Japanese yen underperformed, with USD/JPY rising above 154.00 due to stronger US yields following the CPI data.

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



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Currency Market

Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range		
Currency	TWITHStory	Lasi				Min	Max	
Dollar Index		108.55	0.2%	0.3%	-1.0%	107.61	109.81	
EUR/USD		1.0285	-0.21%	-0.6%	0.4%	1.0225	1.0456	
USD/JPY	~	152.13	0.1%	-1.3%	-3.3%	151.48	158.17	
USD/CHF		0.9126	0.2%	0.5%	-0.4%	0.9029	0.9172	
GBP/USD		1.2349	-0.36%	-0.8%	1.3%	1.2171	1.2484	
USD/CAD		1.4369	0.20%	-0.2%	-0.1%	1.4308	1.4742	
AUD/USD		0.6260	-0.13%	0.5%	1.4%	0.6116	0.6304	
NZD/USD	\frown	0.5635	-0.3%	0.1%	0.9%	0.5546	0.5698	
ASEAN Dollar		106.26	0.4%	0.7%	-0.5%	0.00	106.97	
USD/THB		34.08	0.6%	1.2%	-1.8%	33.65	34.77	
USD/SGD		1.3576	0.2%	0.2%	-0.9%	1.3484	1.3724	
USD/MYR		4.4757	0.3%	1.2%	-0.5%	4.3745	4.5048	
USD/IDR		16,327	0.4%	0.5%	1.1%	16,094	16,340	
USD/PHP		58.48	0.2%	0.3%	-0.6%	58.16	58.96	
USD/CNY		7.3172	0.25%	0.5%	-0.3%	7.2480	7.3448	
USD/HKD		7.7987	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%	7.7513	7.7933	

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	11/02/2025	1,008	4,776	5,784
3-month	·	0.70	-0.05	10/02/2025	-1,994	-3,017	-5,011
6-month		1.50	-0.20	07/02/2025	1,033	1,012	2,045
	-			06/02/2025	586	5,736	6,321
Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn Chg(1W)	05/02/2025	554	6,820	7,374
Total	_	242,084	305	Last 5 days	1,186	15,327	16,513
Golds		21,124	224	Period-to-dat	e Equity	Bond	Total
SDR		5,411	-22	Fenod-to-dat	e Equity	Bond	TOTAT
IMF Reserves		1,058	-4	MTD Month	1,508	• 8,052	• 9,560
Foreign Ccy		214,491	107	QTD Quarter	-9,826	🖕 -4,393	🖕 -14,219
Net Fwd Position		23,955	-155	YTD Year	-9,826	🖕 -4,393	🖕 -14,219
Money Market		Last	update: 31/01/2025				

Money Market

THB	HB 1M Hist La		M Higt Lagt 1M Rang	ange	THBFIX	(1M Hist	Last	1M Range		USD	4M Llist	Let	1M Range	
BIBOR	BIBOR	Lasi	Min Max	Max			Lasi	Min	Max	LIBOR	1M Hist	Last	Min	Max
ON	<u> </u>	2.25	0.00	2.50	ON	-	1.72	1.14	1.72	ON		0.08	0.07	0.08
1W		2.27	0.00	2.52	1W		1.61	0.22	1.61	1W		0.00	0.00	0.00
1M		2.30	0.00	2.55	1M		1.59	0.88	1.72	1M		0.35	0.12	0.35
2M		2.35	0.00	2.60						2M		0.00	0.00	0.00
3M		2.40	0.00	2.65	3M		1.81	1.09	1.82	3M	مسسمہ	0.75	0.34	0.75
6M		2.45	0.00	2.70	6M		1.95	1.31	1.99	6M		1.04	0.56	1.04
12M		2.55	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 *Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC*

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Fixed Income Market

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Fixed Income	1M History		Pro Cha (1D)	Pro Cha (1)(1)	Bno Cho (1M)	1M Range	
Fixed income	1M History	TTW (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Chg (1M)	Min	Max
UST10y		4.6200	8.00	8.00	5.00	4.39	4.78
Gilt 10y	\sim	4.5261	5.83	-1.17	-1.10	4.39	4.89
Bund 10y		2.4500	5.00	5.00	22.00	2.17	2.63
JGB 10y		1.3180	1.10	9.70	26.30	1.06	1.32
TGB 1y	\sim	2.0598	0.08	-0.08	11.17	1.92	2.06
TGB 2y	\sim	2.0345	-0.19	-0.54	-1.13	1.99	2.08
TGB 5y	\sim	2.0899	0.05	0.01	-7.47	2.08	2.18
TGB 7y	· ·	2.1916	-0.13	-1.00	-7.51	2.18	2.28
TGB 10y		2.2717	0.37	-0.16	-13.36	2.27	2.42
AAA Spread		70.10	0.01	-0.72	-3.01	70.08	74.44
AA Spread		67.38	0.13	0.16	4.88	62.50	67.38
A Spread		104.43	-0.03	-0.54	1.98	102.19	106.06
BBB Spread		0.00	0.00	0.00	-239.74	0.00	239.83

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		Lasi	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	Min	Max
Brent Crude		74.97	-2.6%	0.9%	-8.6%	74.29	82.03
London Gold		2883.4	-0.8%	0.8%	7.3%	2,666.4	2,906.9

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

Equity Market

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1M History	l ast	%Chg (1D)		%Cha (1)	^	%Cha (1M)		1M Range		
TWITTISTOLY	Lasi							Min	Max	
-	6,052.0	-0.3%		-0.2%		2.0%		5,836.2	6,101.2	
	551.96	0.4%		1.0%		10.1%		500.6	552.0	
	4,076.1	0.2%		0.9%		1.6%		3,954.4	4,128.5	
	22,148.0	0.5%		3.4%		9.4%		19,848.8	22,148.0	
	5,933.9	0.1%		2.3%		9.9%		5,387.1	5,933.9	
	2,733.3	0.0%		-2.0%		-0.2%		2,679.4	2,788.7	
	3,507.6	0.9%		2.9%		-1.3%		3,321.1	3,628.3	
	21,857.9	2.6%		8.1%		10.4%		19,064.3	21,857.9	
	8,535.3	0.6%		1.9%		2.7%		8,067.0	8,535.3	
\checkmark	1,284.0	1.1%		-2.3%		-6.8%		1,270.5	1,419.7	
\sim	837.1	0.9%		-2.3%		-6.0%		829.9	920.0	
<u> </u>	3,874.6	0.4%		1.3%		2.5%		3,719.9	3,875.1	
	1,603.1	0.8%		3.0%		0.4%		1,556.9	1,637.7	
	6,645.8	1.7%		-5.5%		-9.3%		6,532.0	7,464.8	
<u> </u>	6,044.1	0.9%		2.7%		-8.6%		5,883.0	6,642.7	
$\overline{}$	1,266.9	-0.1%		1.1%		0.2%		1,235.7	1,272.9	
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Note: A = actual, P = previous; C = consensus

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