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Markets chop on quarter-end ahead of Liberation Day

Chicago PMI shows unexpected growth

The Chicago PMI, a crucial gauge of the manufacturing sector's health in the Chicago area, unexpectedly increased. The actual reading of 47.6 exceeded the forecast of 45.5, showing improvement over the previous reading of 45.5. Although still below the expansion threshold, the rise signals a potential rebound in Chicago's manufacturing sector and could indicate a broader recovery in US manufacturing.

German inflation falls short of expectations in March

German inflation slowed more than expected in March, approaching the European Central Bank's 2% target as officials weigh whether to cut interest rates again or hold off at their next meeting. The Consumer Price Index (CPI) increased by 2.3% year-onyear, down from 2.6% in February. Economists had anticipated a 2.4% rise. Services costs, in particular, showed a significant decline.

Japan's businesses show resilience

Japan's major manufacturers remained relatively optimistic, supporting the case for gradual interest rate hikes despite global trade uncertainties. The Bank of Japan's March Tankan report showed a slight dip in the sentiment index for manufacturers to 12, while non-manufacturers rose to 35, the highest since 1991. Inflation expectations also remained solid, with the five-year forecast rising to 2.3%, the highest since 2014.

China PMI rose ahead expected Trump tariffs

China's factory activity grew at its fastest rate in a year in March, providing positive news for the world's second-largest economy ahead of anticipated US tariffs that could strain trade relations further. The official manufacturing PMI rose to 50.5, up from 50.2 in February, slightly exceeding economists' median forecast of 50.4. Meanwhile, the non-manufacturing PMI, which covers the construction and services sectors, increased to 50.8 from 50.4 last month, slightly below the forecast of 50.6.

The US dollar holds steady as the week kicks off

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 1.992, -6.43 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB353A) was 1.98, -8.0 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 4.23, -4.0 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 33.91, moving in a range of 33.975 – 33.995 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 33.90 – 34.10 today. The dollar strengthened in a volatile session as traders prepared for "Liberation Day" mid-week. Fed officials Williams and Barkin both suggested waiting to assess the impact of tariffs before adjusting policy, while a strong Chicago PMI report helped boost risk sentiment. The euro slightly weakened, affected by mixed German data—retail sales exceeded forecasts, but German CPI slowed—amid concerns over upcoming US tariffs. The Japanese yen reversed some of its recent gains, with USD/JPY rising from below 148.00 back toward 150.00.

1,158.1 S&P500 4.23% Brent 5.611.9 10Y UST 74.74 Gold 3.070.4 SET Index 31-Mar -1.5% 31-Mar 1.5% 31-Mar 0.6% 31-Mar -4.0 bps 31-Mar \wedge 1.6% Daily 🔻 1.09% -0.03% Daily 📥 0.51% Daily A USD/THB 33.91 EUR/THB 36.74 JPY/THB 0.2272Weekly 🔻 -0.28% Weekly 🔻 -0.02% Weekly A 0.49% Monthly **V** -1.01% 3.06% Monthly 🔻 -0.22% **Falling Trend Sideways Trend** Monthly A Sideways Trend EUR/USD USD/JPY EUR/THB 100JPY/THB USD/THB Higher = stronger EUR Higher = stronger JPY (inverted scale) Higher = stronger USD 34.50 37.0 1 10 23.5 144 36.5 1.08 146 23.0 34.00 36.0 1.06 148 35.5 1.04 22.5 33.50 150 35.0 1.02 22.0 152 34.5 1.00 33.00 03/Mar 17/Mar 31/Mar 03/Mar 31/Mar 17/Mar 03/Mar 17/Mar 31/Mar EUR/THB. 36.74 JPY/THB, 0.2272 USD/JPY, 149.24 USD/THB, 33.91 EUR/USD, 1.0833

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Currency Market

Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	1M Range		
Currency	TWITIStory	Lasi				Min	Max	
Dollar Index		103.89	-0.5%	-0.4%	-3.2%	103.42	107.36	
EUR/USD		1.0833	0.5%	0.26%	4.2%	1.0401	1.0925	
USD/JPY	\sim	149.24	-1.1%	-0.8%	-0.8%	147.00	150.91	
USD/CHF		0.8787	-0.4%	-0.5%	-2.6%	0.8763	0.9025	
GBP/USD		1.2955	0.2%	0.3%	2.8%	1.2597	1.2984	
USD/CAD	\checkmark	1.4304	-0.1%	-0.2%	-1.1%	1.4250	1.4495	
AUD/USD		0.6286	-0.1%	0.0%	1.2%	0.6205	0.6368	
NZD/USD		0.5718	-0.2%	-0.1%	2.1%	0.5603	0.5816	
ASEAN Dollar	\checkmark	106.98	-0.1%	-0.1%	0.3%	0.00	107.25	
USD/THB		33.91	0.0%	-0.3%	-1.0%	33.60	34.26	
USD/SGD		1.3402	0.0%	0.1%	-0.7%	1.3312	1.3496	
USD/MYR	·	4.4326	0.0%	-0.1%	-0.6%	4.4111	4.4637	
USD/IDR	\sim	16,461	-0.2%	-0.3%	-0.2%	16,247	16,510	
USD/PHP		57.53	-0.1%	-0.1%	-1.1%	57.41	58.22	
USD/CNY	\checkmark	7.2583	-0.24%	-0.1%	-0.4%	7.2311	7.2964	
USD/HKD	\checkmark	7.7732	-0.1%	0.0%	-0.1%	7.7630	7.7832	

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	31/03/2025	-1,487	5,196	3,708
3-month	·	0.70	-0.05	28/03/2025	-2,264	0	-2,264
6-month	•	1.50	-0.20	27/03/2025	1,172	4,269	5,441
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Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn Chg(1W)	25/03/2025	-2,750	-1,190	-3,940
Total		247,102	-427	Last 5 days	-5,511	2,968	-2,543
Golds		22,807	296	Period-to-date	Equity	Bond	Total
SDR		5,523	-13	Ferrou-io-date	Equity	Bolia	TOLAT
IMF Reserves		1,040	-3	MTD Month	🖕 -21,866	@ 20,819	-1,046
Foreign Ccy		217,733	-707	QTD Quarter	🖕 -39,867	12,570	🖕 -27,297
Net Fwd Position	lane at	24,460	335	YTD Year	🖕 -39,867	12,570	🖕 -27,297
Money Market		Last	update: 21/03/2025				

Money Market

THB	1M Hict	Lact	1M R	ange	THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	USD	4M Hist	Loct	1M F	lange
BIBOR		list Last Min Max	Max			Lasi	Min	Max	LIBOR	1M Hist	Last	Min	Max	
ON		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	\checkmark	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	مسسر	0.75	0.34	0.75
6M		2.45	0.00	2.70	6M	<u> </u>	1.95	1.31	1.99	6M	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	1.04	0.56	1.04
12M	\checkmark	2.55	0.00	2.80	12M	$\overline{}$	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	YTM (%)	Ppc Cha (1D)	Bno Cha (1)(1)	Bno Cha (1M)	1M Range		
Fixed income	1M History	T T WI (%)	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Chg (1M)	Min	Max	
UST10y		4.2300	-4.00	-1.00	-22.00	4.16	4.62	
Gilt 10y		4.6880	-8.19	7.58	21.95	4.44	4.77	
Bund 10y		2.6900	-4.00	-8.00	33.00	2.35	2.92	
JGB 10y	\frown	1.4970	-5.40	-2.30	21.50	1.22	1.58	
TGB 1y	~	1.8494	-3.67	-4.40	-14.58	1.85	1.98	
TGB 2y		1.7623	-7.37	-8.87	-22.74	1.76	1.96	
TGB 5y	\sim	1.8268	-8.58	-10.58	-25.70	1.82	2.00	
TGB 7y	\sim	1.9510	-6.63	-9.86	-25.53	1.93	2.14	
TGB 10y	\sim	2.0565	-6.43	-9.11	-22.20	2.04	2.22	
AAA Spread	<u>\.</u>	70.15	0.76	-0.94	-2.69	68.38	72.92	
AA Spread		66.40	2.71	2.13	1.80	63.67	66.40	
A Spread		104.88	-0.32	-0.61	2.28	102.44	105.89	
BBB Spread	<u> </u>	335.82	-0.07	22.39	22.49	312.98	335.89	

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	Loot	%Chg (1D)		%Chg (1W)		%Chg (1M)		1M Range	
Commodity		Last							Min	Max
Brent Crude		74.74	1.5%		2.4%		4.4%		69.28	74.74
London Gold		3120.2	1.6%		3.3%		8.8%		2,861.4	3,120.2

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

Equity Market

						1M Range		
Equity Index	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W)	%Chg (1M)	Min	Max	
							max	
S&P500 (US)	<u> </u>	5,611.9	0.6%	-2.85%	-4.1%	5,521.5	5,956.1	
STOXX (EU)		542.47	-1.6%	-3.9%	-4.4%	542.5	569.1	
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,623.6	-1.0%	-1.1%	-3.4%	4,591.0	4,784.8	
DAX (DE)		22,163.5	-1.3%	-4.1%	-4.2%	22,163.5	23,419.5	
CAC All-Tradable(FR)		5,766.0	-1.6%	-3.9%	-4.7%	5,766.0	6,068.9	
TOPIX (JP)		2,658.7	-3.6%	-5.0%	-2.6%	2,658.7	2,812.9	
Shanghai (CH)	\sim	3,495.6	-0.5%	-1.0%	0.6%	3,476.5	3,594.4	
Hang Seng (HK)		23,119.6	-1.3%	-1.0%	0.5%	22,941.3	24,771.1	
ASX 200 (AU)		7,843.4	-1.7%	-1.2%	-4.9%	7,749.1	8,268.2	
SET (TH)		1,158.1	-1.48%	-2.3%	-2.6%	1,158.1	1,231.1	
SET50 (TH)		739.8	-1.5%	-2.0%	-2.1%	732.8	785.0	
Straits Times (SG)		3,972.4	-0.2%	0.5%	1.6%	3,825.8	3,981.6	
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FTSE Malay (MY)	\rightarrow	1,513.7	-1.4%	0.0%	-3.7%	1,484.8	1,588.7	
JSX Index (ID)	· .	6,510.6	0.0%	4.4%	-0.1%	6,161.2	6,665.0	
PSE Index (PH)		6,180.7	0.5%	0.3%	2.4%	5,998.0	6,360.8	
Vn Index (VN)		1,306.9	-0.8%	-1.9%	-0.2%	1,303.0	1,336.3	

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

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