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### Less aggressive US tariff policy faded

# Trump hits auto imports with 25% tariff starting next week

President Trump signed a proclamation imposing a 25% tariff on auto imports, effective April 2, including key auto parts like engines and transmissions. He called the tariffs "permanent" with no exceptions. Reports also suggest Trump may impose copper tariffs soon, while the EU expects a 20% tariff next week, though no final decision has been made. Politico speculated the tariff rate on the EU could reach 20-25%.

#### Durable goods orders demonstrate unexpected strength

Durable goods rose 0.9% in February, beating the -1.0% forecast and adding to January's 3.3% increase. The ex-defense measure rose 0.8%, and ex-transportation rose 0.7%, both surpassing expectations. These strong numbers suggest orders are still flowing ahead of tariff changes, with steel and aluminum tariffs taking effect on March 12th. Economists notes the tariff effects likely boosted core durable goods orders.

### UK inflation slows down unexpectedly, offering a boost for potential rate cuts

CPI rose 2.8% in February compared to a year earlier, down from 3% in January and below the 3% economists expected. This was in line with the Bank of England's (BOE) forecast of 2.8%. The slowdown was mainly driven by lower clothing prices and easing goods inflation. Services inflation remained at 5%, slightly below the predicted 5.1%. Core inflation, excluding food, alcohol, tobacco, and energy, dropped to 3.5% from 3.7%. While the decline in inflation is likely temporary, the BOE expects it to rise toward 4% later this year due to energy and other administered prices. However, Governor Andrew Bailey suggested that easing pressures should allow for a gradual decline in interest rates.

#### The dollar rises on tariff news

The 10-year government bond yield (interpolated) on the previous trading day was 2.074, -0.91 bps. The benchmark government bond yield (LB353A) was 2.07, -3.0 bps. Meantime, the latest closed US 10-year bond yields was 4.35, +4.0 bps. USDTHB on the previous trading day closed around 33.95, moving in a range of 33.985 – 34.00 this morning. USDTHB could be closed between 33.90 – 34.10 today. The dollar gained strength following tariff-related news, stronger-than-expected durable goods data, and a negative risk sentiment. This pushed the index above 104.50, reaching new session highs. The euro was pressured by the tariff threat, with EU Trade Chief Sefcovic expecting President Trump to impose tariffs of around 20% on the bloc next week, affecting all 27 member states. The British pound weakened after softer-than-expected UK CPI data and attention on Chancellor Reeves's Spring Statement, which did not include further tax hikes. The Japanese yen struggled as the risk-off mood favored the dollar as a safer bet, with US yields rising across the curve. BoJ Governor Ueda's comments had little impact on USD/JPY, which remains around 150.50.

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



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**Currency Market** 

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Currency	1M History	Last	%Chg (1D)	%Chg (1W	)	, 1M Ra	1M Range				
Currency	TWITISTOLY	Lasi	/scrig (1D)	/6 Cilg (1 W	/ /o City (TW	, Min	Max				
Dollar Index		104.40	0.1%	0.9%	-2.0%	103.42	107.36				
EUR/USD	-	1.0774	-0.3%	-1.17%	2.7%	1.0401	1.0925				
USD/JPY		150.32	-0.1%	0.9%	0.6%	147.00	150.68				
USD/CHF		0.8846	0.1%	0.9%	-1.2%	0.8763	0.9025				
GBP/USD		1.2922	0.0%	-0.5%	2.2%	1.2597	1.2984				
USD/CAD		1.4299	-0.3%	-0.2%	0.1%	1.4165	1.4495				
AUD/USD	$\overline{}$	0.6295	0.2%	-0.8%	-0.7%	0.6205	0.6390				
NZD/USD	-	0.5736	0.2%	-1.1%	0.1%	0.5603	0.5816				
ASEAN Dollar		107.19	0.0%	0.6%	0.6%	0.00	107.81				
USD/THB		33.95	-0.2%	0.9%	0.4%	33.47	34.26				
USD/SGD		1.3382	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	1.3312	1.3496				
USD/MYR		4.4291	-0.2%	0.1%	0.2%	4.3999	4.4637				
USD/IDR		16,507	0.0%	0.6%	1.2%	16,207	16,510				
USD/PHP		57.93	0.6%	0.9%	-0.4%	57.41	58.22				
USD/CNY		7.2676	0.07%	0.4%	0.2%	7.2311	7.2964				
USD/HKD		7.7790	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	7.7591	7.7830				

# **FX Swap Market and BoT's Reserves**

# Foreign Fund Flows (THB.mn)

USTH FX Sp	1M History	Last	<b>%</b> C	Chg(1D)	Date		Equity	Bond	Total
1-month		0.15	0.15		26/03	3/2025	-182	-5,306	-5,489
3-month	•	0.70	-0.05		25/03	3/2025	-2,750	-1,190	-3,940
6-month	•	1.50	-0.20		24/03	3/2025	-82	1,056	974
				•	21/03	3/2025	469	657	1,126
Reserves (\$mn)	3M History	Last	\$mn	Chg(1W)	20/03	3/2025	-2,834	2,910	76
Total		247,530	109		Last	5 days	-5,379	-1,873	-7,252
Golds		22,511	553		1	Period-to-date	Equity	Bond	Total
SDR		5,536	6			i enou-to-date	Lquity	Bolid	- Total
IMF Reserves		1,042	-26		MTD	Month	<b>-19,28</b>	86 🦣 11,355	<b>-7,931</b>
Foreign Ccy		218,440	-424		QTD	Quarter	<b>J</b> -37,28	88 🦣 3,106	<b>-34,182</b>
Net Fwd Position		24,125	585		YTD	Year	<b>4</b> -37,28	3,106	<b>-34,182</b>
Money Market		Last	update:	14/03/2025					

## **Money Market**

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THB	1M Hist	Last	1M Range		THBFIX	1M Hist	Last	1M R	ange	USD	4M High	Last	1M F	Range
BIBOR	IIVI FIISL	Lasi	Min	Max	ППВГІЛ	IIVI FIISL	Lası	Min	Max	LIBOR	1M Hist	Lasi	Min	Max
ON		2.25	0.00	2.50	ON		1.72	1.14	1.72	ON		0.08	0.07	0.08
1W	$\overline{}$	2.27	0.00	2.53	1W	-	1.61	0.22	1.61	1W		0.00	0.00	0.00
1M	$\overline{}$	2.30	0.00	2.55	1M		1.59	0.88	1.72	1M	مسسب	0.35	0.12	0.35
2M	$\overline{}$	2.35	0.00	2.60						2M		0.00	0.00	0.00
3M	$\sim$	2.40	0.00	2.65	3M		1.81	1.09	1.82	3M	مسسب	0.75	0.34	0.75
6M	$\overline{}$	2.45	0.00	2.70	6M		1.95	1.31	1.99	6M	مسسم	1.04	0.56	1.04
12M	$\overline{}$	2.55	0.00	2.81	12M	_	2.26	1.59	2.26	12M	مسم	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** 

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Fixed Income	1M History	VTM (0/ )	Bps Chg (1D)	Bps Chg (1W)	Bps Chg (1M)	1M Ra	1M Range		
I ixed income	TWITISTOTY	1 1 WI ( /0 )	bps clig (10)	Dps Clig (1W)	bps crig (TWI)	Min	Max		
UST10y		4.3500	4.00	4.00	-19.00	4.16	4.58		
Gilt 10y		4.7294	2.68	8.69	23.30	4.44	4.73		
Bund 10y		2.7900	-3.00	-3.00	37.00	2.35	2.90		
JGB 10y		1.5830	0.50	6.10	36.20	1.20	1.58		
TGB 1y		1.8519	-0.48	-1.80	-12.91	1.85	2.06		
TGB 2y		1.7694	-0.79	-2.78	-19.22	1.77	2.03		
TGB 5y		1.8359	-1.09	-0.24	-16.65	1.82	2.10		
TGB 7y	$\overline{}$	1.9656	-1.77	1.66	-15.74	1.93	2.20		
TGB 10y		2.0742	-0.91	1.11	-9.88	2.04	2.28		
AAA Spread		69.39	-1.70	-1.70	-2.58	68.38	72.92		
AA Spread		63.86	-0.40	-0.51	-1.75	63.67	65.61		
A Spread		105.79	-0.10	0.75	2.83	102.44	105.89		
BBB Spread		335.84	22.52	22.26	22.77	312.98	335.84		

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)		9/ Cha /4\A	Λ.	0/ Cha /4 M	.	1M Range	
Commodity	TWITISTOLY	Lasi	"Clig (1D	<i>'</i> )	% Chg (1W)		%Chg (1M)		Min	Max
Brent Crude	·	73.79	1.1%		2.5%		1.7%		69.28	74.31
London Gold	•	3021.9	0.02%		-0.1%		3.7%		2,861.4	3,034.0

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 R	1M Range		
Equity index	TWI HISTORY	Last	%Chg (1D)	%City (1W)	) %Chg (1M)	Min	Max		
S&P500 (US)	-	5,712.2	-1.1%	0.87%	-4.1%	5,521.5	6,013.1		
STOXX (EU)		559.21	-1.0%	-0.8%	-1.1%	548.1	569.1		
FTSE All-Share(UK)		4,690.6	0.3%	-0.2%	-0.8%	4,591.0	4,784.8		
DAX (DE)		22,839.0	-1.2%	-0.7%	0.2%	22,287.6	23,419.5		
CAC All-Tradable(FR)		5,946.1	-0.9%	-0.8%	-1.1%	5,876.0	6,068.9		
TOPIX (JP)		2,812.9	0.5%	0.6%	3.6%	2,670.7	2,812.9		
Shanghai (CH)		3,530.3	0.0%	-1.2%	-0.4%	3,476.5	3,594.4		
Hang Seng (HK)		23,483.3	0.6%	-3.0%	-1.3%	22,941.3	24,771.1		
ASX 200 (AU)		7,999.0	0.7%	1.0%	-2.9%	7,749.1	8,308.2		
SET (TH)	~	1,190.4	0.46%	0.7%	-3.3%	1,159.6	1,246.2		
SET50 (TH)	~	759.4	<u> </u>	1.5%	-3.3%	732.8	795.1		
Straits Times (SG)		3,963.7	0.2%	0.8%	1.4%	3,825.8	3,963.7		
FTSE Malay (MY)		1,518.1	0.3%	0.9%	-4.4%	1,484.8	1,591.0		
JSX Index (ID)		6,472.4	3.8%	1.4%	-2.0%	6,161.2	6,803.0		
PSE Index (PH)	-	6,166.1	0.1%	-2.5%	0.3%	5,998.0	6,360.8		

Sources: ttb analytics, CEIC

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

1,296.8

1,336.3

1.8%

Vn Index (VN)

0.2%

1,326.1

-0.4%