

CURRENCIES

Greenback jumps; yen at weakest since 1990

THE greenback reached its highest since early November against a basket of currencies on Monday (Apr 15), and sent the yen to its lowest level since 1990, after US retail sales increased more than expected in March.

Retail sales rose 0.7 per cent last month, and data for February was revised higher to show sales rebounding 0.9 per cent instead of 0.6 per cent as previously reported.

Economists polled by Reuters had forecast retail sales, which are mostly goods and are not adjusted for inflation, rising 0.3 per cent in March.

The US dollar gained as still-sticky inflation and still-strong growth led investors to push back expectations on when the Federal Reserve would likely begin cutting rates. The US central bank is expected to make fewer cuts than

previously forecast. Traders are now pricing in fewer than two 25 basis points cuts by year-end, after previously expecting three.

New York Fed president John Williams said on Monday that the central bank's policy was in a good place and remained restrictive, adding that his own view was that interest rate cuts would likely begin this year.

The Japanese yen, in particular,

has suffered from dollar strength and the large interest rate differential between the two countries.

Japanese monetary officials have ramped up warnings that they may intervene to shore up the currency. Finance Minister Shunichi Suzuki said on Monday he was watching currency moves closely, repeating that Tokyo is "fully prepared" to act.

The dollar was last up 0.69 per

cent against the Japanese currency at 154.32.

The dollar index reached 106.16, the highest since Nov 3, and was last up 0.07 per cent at 106.03.

Investors are also focused on escalating tensions in the Middle East which, if they worsen, are likely to benefit the safe-haven dollar and Swiss franc.

The euro was little changed

against the dollar at US\$1.0643.

It recorded its biggest weekly percentage drop since late September 2022 last week, as the European Central Bank left the door open to a rate cut in June.

The pound strengthened 0.22 per cent to US\$1.248.

In cryptocurrencies, Bitcoin fell 1.64 per cent to US\$66,035. It reached US\$61,323 on Saturday, the lowest since Mar 20. REUTERS

FOREX RATES

INTERBANK CROSS RATES

	AS	CS	Rmb	Euro	HKS	Ind Rs	Rupiah	Yen	Won	MS	NZ\$	Pak Rs	Peso	SS	Rand	Sfr	NTS	Baht	Pound	US\$
Australia	-	0.891	4.694	0.608	5.080	54.116	102.755	0.998	8.975	3.099	1.092	180.413	36.861	0.882	12.238	0.592	20.998	23.832	0.520	0.649
Canada	1.122	-	5.266	0.683	5.699	60.712	115.278	1.120	10.068	3.477	1.225	202.401	41.353	0.990	13.730	0.664	23.557	26.737	0.583	0.728
China	0.213	0.190	-	0.130	1.082	11.528	21.890	0.213	1.912	0.660	0.233	38.433	7.852	0.188	2.607	0.126	4.473	5.077	0.111	0.138
Euro	1.643	1.465	7.715	-	8.349	88.939	168.876	1.641	14.750	5.093	1.795	296.506	60.580	1.450	20.114	0.973	34.510	39.168	0.854	1.066
Hong Kong	0.197	0.175	0.924	0.120	-	10.653	20.228	0.197	1.767	0.610	0.215	35.515	7.256	0.174	2.409	0.117	4.134	4.692	0.102	0.128
India	0.018	0.016	0.087	0.011	0.094	-	1.899	0.018	0.166	0.057	0.020	3.334	0.681	0.016	0.226	0.011	0.388	0.440	0.010	0.012
Indonesia	0.010	0.009	0.046	0.006	0.049	0.527	-	0.010	0.087	0.030	0.011	1.756	0.359	0.009	0.119	0.006	0.204	0.232	0.005	0.006
Japan	1.002	0.893	4.702	0.609	5.088	54.207	102.926	-	8.990	3.104	1.094	180.714	36.922	0.884	12.259	0.593	21.033	23.872	0.520	0.650
Korea	0.111	0.099	0.523	0.068	0.566	6.030	11.450	0.111	-	0.345	0.122	20.103	4.107	0.098	1.364	0.066	2.340	2.656	0.058	0.072
Malaysia	0.323	0.288	1.515	0.196	1.639	17.463	33.159	0.322	2.896	-	0.352	58.219	11.895	0.285	3.949	0.191	6.776	7.691	0.168	0.209
New Zealand	0.916	0.816	4.298	0.557	4.651	49.552	94.088	0.916	8.218	2.837	-	165.195	33.752	0.808	11.206	0.542	19.227	21.822	0.476	0.594
Pakistan	0.006	0.005	0.026	0.003	0.028	0.300	0.570	0.006	0.050	0.017	0.006	-	0.204	0.005	0.068	0.003	0.116	0.132	0.003	0.004
Philippines	0.027	0.024	0.127	0.017	0.138	1.468	2.788	0.027	0.243	0.084	0.030	4.894	-	0.024	0.332	0.016	0.570	0.647	0.014	0.018
Singapore	1.133	1.010	5.320	0.690	5.757	61.330	116.452	1.131	10.171	3.512	1.238	204.461	41.774	-	13.870	0.671	23.797	27.009	0.589	0.735
South Africa	0.082	0.073	0.384	0.050	0.415	4.422	8.396	0.082	0.733	0.253	0.089	14.742	3.012	0.072	-	0.048	1.716	1.947	0.042	0.053
Switzerland	1.689	1.505	7.927	1.028	8.579	91.390	173.530	1.686	15.156	5.233	1.844	304.676	62.249	1.490	20.668	-	35.461	40.248	0.877	1.095
Taiwan	0.048	0.042	0.224	0.029	0.242	2.577	4.894	0.048	0.427	0.148	0.052	8.592	1.755	0.042	0.583	0.028	-	1.135	0.025	0.031
Thailand	0.042	0.037	0.197	0.026	0.213	2.271	4.312	0.042	0.377	0.130	0.046	7.570	1.547	0.037	0.514	0.025	0.881	-	0.022	0.027
United Kingdom	1.925	1.716	9.035	1.171	9.777	104.160	197.777	1.922	17.274	5.965	2.102	347.249	70.948	1.698	23.556	1.140	40.415	45.871	-	1.248
United States	1.542	1.375	7.239	0.938	7.833	83.449	158.450	1.539	13.839	4.779	1.684	278.200	56.840	1.361	18.872	0.913	32.379	36.750	0.801	-

The figures are based on mid prices of currencies quoted by OCBC. For Rupiah, Yen and Won, the figures are in 100 units of the foreign currency indicated. Among the three currencies themselves, the exchange rate should read as it is.

US\$/SS FORWARD RATES

	Apr 15		Apr 15	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
1-month	1.3584	1.3589		
2-months	1.3563	1.3568		
3-months	1.3544	1.3550		
6-months	1.3483	1.3490		

Source: OCBC

HANG SENG



SHANGHAI COMP



NIKKEI



DOW JONES



INTERBANK CURRENCY RATES

Currencies	Against SS		Against US\$	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
Australian dollar	0.8821	0.8827	0.6484	0.6486
Canadian dollar	0.9896	0.9902	0.7276	0.7274
Euro	1.4496	1.4507	1.0656	1.0660
NZ dollar	0.8075	0.8084	0.5936	0.5940
Sterling pound	1.6978	1.6989	1.2480	1.2484
US dollar	1.3604	1.3609	-	-

SS/US to 100 units of foreign currency:

	Apr 15	Apr 15	Apr 15	Apr 15
Chinese renminbi	18.7937	18.8009	13.8148	13.8150
Danish krone	19.4318	19.4417	14.2839	14.2859
Hong Kong dollar	17.37	17.37	12.7660	12.7662
Indian rupee	1.63	1.63	1.1979	1.1987
Indonesia rupiah	0.0086	0.0086	0.0063	0.0063
Japanese yen	0.8836	0.8841	0.6495	0.6496
Korean won	0.0983	0.0984	0.0722	0.0723
Malaysian ringgit	28.45	28.49	20.9161	20.9380
New Taiwan dollar	4.1989	4.2056	3.0865	3.0903
Norwegian krone	12.5422	12.4622	9.1548	9.1573
Philippine peso	2.3930	2.3947	1.7590	1.7596
Saudi riyal	36.2648	36.2800	26.6574	26.6588
Swedish krona	12.5223	12.5304	9.2049	9.2074
Swiss franc	148.9543	149.0744	109.4930	109.5410
Thai baht	3.7008	3.7041	2.7203	2.7218

Source: ocac

EQUITY BONDS WARRANTS FUTURES

SGX DERIVATIVES TRADING

	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETT	VOL	OP/MT
SGX MSCI Singapore Index Futures						
Apr24	291.85	292.30	285.45	287.85	37473	206715
May24	290.30	290.30	284.90	285.55	185	32
SGX FTSE China A50 Index Futures						
Apr24	11900.00	12251.00	11839.00	12222.00	350049	836377
May24	11915.00	12253.00	11844.00	12217.00	3862	3549
SGX FTSE China H50 Index Futures						
Apr24	11200.00	11210.00	11000.00	11162.50	6009	1685
May24	11060.00	11060.00	11060.00	11162.50	8	201
SGX FTSE Taiwan Index Futures						
Apr24	1747.75	1748.00	1717.75	1721.75	68127	124833
May24	1745.00	1745.75	1722.50	1725.50	117	175
SGX FTSE Indonesia Index Futures						
Apr24	3669.000	3670.000	3644.000	3657.000	447	1767
May24	-	-	-	3649.000	0	290
SGX FTSE Blossom Japan Index Futures						
Jun24	223.9000	224.2750	223.7000	226.3500	42	1905
Sep24	-	-	-	226.0750	0	377
SGX Nikkei 225 Index Futures						
Jun24	39615.00	39625.00	38795.00	39240.00	43477	106953
Sep24	38940.00	39080.00	38940.00	39190.00	2	172
SEA ADR Futures						
Apr24	50.70	53.45	50.70	-	156	159
May24	-	-	-	-	0	0
GRAB Futures						
Apr24	3.3000	3.3250	3.3000	-	107	83
May24	-	-	-	-	0	0
TSMC ADR Futures						
Apr24	144.50	144.50	144.20	-	666	0
May24	-	-	-	-	0	0
SGX Mini 10-Year Japanese Government Bond Futures						
Jun24	144.470	144.650	144.330	144.400	1595	12403
Sep24	-	-	-	144.400	0	0
SGX USD/CNH (Full-Sized) Futures						
Apr24	7.2636	7.2699	7.2584	7.2603	10578	4321
May24	7.2590	7.2672	7.2508	7.2538	20463	18385
SGX INR/USD Futures						
Apr24	119.740	119.830	119.490	119.810	60775	159789
May24	119.650	119.740	119.440	119.740	13756	8654
SGX KRW/USD (Mini) Futures						
Apr24	7247	7248	7195	7227	868	15799
May24	7259	7282	7226	7242	4380	47500
SGX THB/USD Futures						
Apr24	27.420	27.420	27.280	27.240	518	412
May24	27.350	27.360	27.340	27.275	417	205
SGX USD/SGD (Full-Sized) Futures						
Apr24	1.35920	1.36070	1.35920	1.36110	23	54
May24	1.35735	1.35960	1.35710	1.35880	332	148
SGX TSI Iron Ore CFR China (62% Fe Fines) Index Futures						
Apr24	108.65	112.65	107.50	-	13898	290343
May24	110.85	113.15	109.45	-	86801	324114
SGX Mysteel Shanghai Rebar (USD) Futures						
Apr24	-	-	-	-	0	70
May24	-	-	-	-	10	152
SGX SICOM TSR20 Rubber Futures						
May24	162.1	164.0	162.0	163.6	1086	5400
Jun24	163.3	164.7	163.1	164.6	3872	23242
SGX-NZX Global Whole Milk Powder Futures						
Apr24	-	-	-	3240.0	0	12978
May24	3230.0	3230.0	3230.0	3230.0	1	12696
SGX-NZX Global Skim Milk Powder Futures						
Apr24	-	-	-	2530.0	0	9119
May24	-	-	-	2630.0	0	7047

* Denotes an Opening Range has been established S'pore Exchange Derivatives Clearing Ltd (Co Reg No 200005878M)

BONDS, WARRANTS, PREFERENCE SHARES

Most active

Company	Last Sale	+/-	Vol (000)	Conv Ratio	Exer Price	Prem Disc %	Gearing	Expiry Mths
Sembcorp 5xShortSG241218	0.9	0.1	4278	-	-	-	-	-
Dyna-Mac W241022	20.5	-1.5	3625					

SGX MAINBOARD

Table of SGX Mainboard listings with columns for 52-Wk High/Low, Company, Last Sale, Vol, Day, Div, GrYld, Net P/E, MCap, and Transaction date. The table is organized into two columns of data, listing various companies and their financial metrics.

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SGX CATALIST

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SUSPENDED OR INACTIVE

MAINBOARD

List of suspended or inactive stocks including 8Telecom, ASTI, AusGroup, B&M Hldg, Camsing, China Env, China Fishery, ChinaKangdaFood, Debra Property, Dragon, EC World Reit, Eagle HTrust, Ezra, Falcon Energy, Full Apex, Halcyon Agri, Hyflux, JES Int'l, KTL Global, KrisEnergy, Lorenzo Int'l, Midas, New Silkroutes, NutriFarm, Pacific Andes, Procurri, Raffles Infrastructu, Regal Int'l, Seroja Inv, Sino Grandness, TA, TT Int'l, Triyards, United Food, Universal Res, Yonngnam, Yuzu Networks.

CATALIST

List of catalist stocks including AGV1, Alita Resources, Alpha DX, Astaka, Axington, Axington R, Axington R1, BlackGoldNatural, Boldtek, Capital World, Charisma Energy, ETC Singapore, EcoWise, Imperium Crown, Incredible, Mercurius, Ntegrator Hldg, Rich Capital, SDAI, Sen Yue, Shen Yao, Sincap, SingaporeKitchen.

SGX ETF

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