

## EQUITIES REMAIN UPBEAT ON STRONG DATA RELEASES, STRONG 1Q EARNINGS

Weekly Review: 28 April to 02 May 2025

### What Happened Last Week

- US equities rallied on strong manufacturing/jobs print and 1Q earnings from large tech names.
- US bond yields climbed higher as strong data pushed out Fed rate cut projections into July from June.
  - April US ISM Manufacturing (48.7 > 47.9) and Change in Nonfarm Payroll data (177k > 138k) both came in higher versus expectations.
- Local equities sustained a positive momentum driven by encouraging 1Q earnings, strong PHP, and declining crude prices.
- Local bond yields declined on strong demand from the newly issued 10Y auction.
- Asset prices Week-on-Week (WoW)

Asset	as of April 25, 2025	as of May 2, 2025	%Change Rate Change
10Yr US Treasury Yield	4.24%	4.31%	▲0.04%
10Yr PHP Benchmark Yield	6.34%	6.26%	▼0.08%
			Price Change
USD/PHP	56.27	55.57	▲1.24%
S&P500	5,525.21	5,686.67	▲2.92%
PSEI	6,268.75	6,411.86	▲2.28%

### What To Expect This Week

- We await encouraging consensus April inflation (1.8% YoY) and 1Q GDP (5.7% YoY) this week.
- Local equities could extend rally on fresh batch of strong 1Q earnings.
- Local bonds shall take direction from the Fed's policy decision on May 8, where markets expect rates to be unchanged.

### Historical Asset Prices

Asset	Month-on-Month				Year-to-Date			
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
	Rate Change							
10Yr US Treasury Yield	▼0.03%	▼0.33%	▼0.003%	▼0.04%	▼0.03%	▼0.36%	▼0.36%	▼0.41%
10Yr PHP Benchmark Yield	▲0.05%	▼0.10%	▲0.07%	▲0.07%	▲0.05%	▼0.05%	▲0.02%	▲0.09%
	Price Change							
USD/PHP	▲0.90%	▼0.63%	▼1.35%	▼2.39%	▲0.90%	▲0.26%	▼1.10%	▼3.47%
S&P500	▲2.70%	▼1.42%	▼5.75%	▼0.76%	▲2.70%	▲1.24%	▼4.59%	▼5.31%
PSEI	▼10.20%	▲2.31%	▲3.05%	▲2.82%	▼10.20%	▼8.13%	▼5.33%	▼2.66%



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