

MARKETS RALLY ON RUMORS OF US-CHINA TRADE DEAL AND JP MORGAN'S PH UPGRADE

Weekly Review: 21 - 25 April 2025

What Happened Last Week

- US equity and bond prices rose on potential de-escalation with China.
- JP Morgan upgraded PH equities to overweight igniting demand from foreign investors. Meanwhile, PH bond markets weakened on higher yields offered for the recently concluded 10-year bond
- Asset prices Week-on-Week (WoW)

| Asset | as of April 16, 2025 | as of April 25, 2025 | %Change Rate Change |
|--------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 10Yr US Treasury Yield | 4.28% | 4.24% | V -0.04% |
| 10Yr PHP Benchmark Yield | 6.30% | 6.34% | ▲0.04% |
| | | | Price Change |
| PHP/USD | 56.80 | 56.27 | V -0.94% |
| S&P500 | 5,275.70 | 5,525.21 | ▲ 4.73% |
| PSEI | 6,134.62 | 6,268.75 | ▲ 2.19% |

What To Expect This Week

- US growth and employment data due this week with weak data boosting the case for a rate cut. Local bond yields to follow the lead of US Treasuries.
- PH equities may open strong on follow-through foreign buying but attention to shift on 1Q corporate earnings releases.

Asset Prices Year-to-Date

| Asset | as of Dec 31, 2024 | as of April 25, 2025 | %Change Rate Change |
|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| 10Yr US Treasury Yield | 4.57% | 4.24% | V -0.33% |
| 10Yr PHP Benchmark Yield | 6.18% | 6.34% | ▲0.16% |
| | | | Price Change |
| PHP/USD | 57.85 | 56.27 | ▼ -2.73% |
| S&P500 | 5,881.63 | 5,525.21 | ▼ -6.06% |
| PSEI | 6,528.79 | 6,268.75 | ▼ -3.98% |

