



NEWS UPDATE

19 May 2026

MARKET SUMMARY

- 1 bps = 0.01%
- Increase in Yield = Decrease in the bond price/ value

US Treasury	Yield 18 May 26	Daily Change bps	Yield 15 May 26	Weekly Change bps	Yield 11 May 26	Monthly Change bps	Yield 17 April 26	YTD Change bps	Yield 31 Dec 25
3 YEAR	4.14	0	4.14	18	3.96	42	3.72	59	3.55
5 YEAR	4.27	1	4.26	20	4.07	43	3.84	54	3.73
7 YEAR	4.43	0	4.43	19	4.24	39	4.04	49	3.94
10 YEAR	4.61	2	4.59	19	4.42	35	4.26	43	4.18

MGS	Yield 18 May 26	Daily Change bps	Yield 15 May 26	Weekly Change bps	Yield 11 May 26	Monthly Change bps	Yield 17 April 26	YTD Change bps	Yield 31 Dec 25
3 YEAR	3.24	2	3.22	5	3.19	5	3.19	24	3.00
5 YEAR	3.41	3	3.38	6	3.35	6	3.35	15	3.26
7 YEAR	3.53	4	3.49	8	3.45	7	3.46	16	3.37
10 YEAR	3.59	2	3.57	4	3.55	1	3.58	10	3.49

GII	Yield 18 May 26	Daily Change bps	Yield 15 May 26	Weekly Change bps	Yield 11 May 26	Monthly Change bps	Yield 17 April 26	YTD Change bps	Yield 31 Dec 25
3 YEAR	3.23	2	3.21	4	3.19	3	3.20	14	3.09
5 YEAR	3.33	0	3.33	2	3.31	4	3.29	8	3.25
7 YEAR	3.57	4	3.53	6	3.51	7	3.50	25	3.32
10 YEAR	3.63	4	3.59	6	3.57	4	3.59	11	3.52

AAA	Yield 18 May 26	Daily Change bps	Yield 15 May 26	Weekly Change bps	Yield 11 May 26	Monthly Change bps	Yield 17 April 26	YTD Change bps	Yield 31 Dec 25
3 YEAR	3.62	1	3.61	2	3.60	2	3.60	6	3.56
5 YEAR	3.72	1	3.71	1	3.71	1	3.71	8	3.64
7 YEAR	3.81	1	3.80	1	3.80	1	3.80	9	3.72
10 YEAR	3.93	2	3.91	2	3.91	3	3.90	12	3.81

Source: US Treasury, BNM & BIX Malaysia

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Today's headlines of interest and summaries as extracted from the international and local media.

Malaysia better placed than peers to weather geopolitical shock, says MARC Ratings

Malaysia is expected to be in a relatively stronger position compared with several other Asean economies in managing the impact of the US-Israel-Iran conflict, although global economic pressures are likely to intensify in the coming months.

Malaysian Rating Corporation Bhd (MARC Ratings) senior economist Kamal Zharif Jauhari said Malaysia's relatively low dependence on energy imports gives it an advantage over economies such as Thailand and the Philippines, which are more exposed to global oil price shocks. He said Malaysia, as a hydrocarbon-exporting country, still has some buffer to absorb external shocks even as the conflict in West Asia continues to disrupt global energy markets and international trade flows.

"Thailand and the Philippines are net energy importers, and the situation puts greater pressure on their economic growth when oil prices rise.

"Malaysia is in a more balanced position because we still have an oil and gas sector that can support the economy," he said during the MARC360 special edition webinar today.
– New Straits Times

Read full publication at <https://www.nst.com.my/amp/business/economy/2026/05/1442379/malaysia-better-placed-peers-weather-geopolitical-shock-says-marc>

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Kenanga forecasts Malaysia's current account balance to widen to 2.1% of GDP in 2026

Malaysia's current account surplus widened sharply to RM15.2 billion in the first quarter of 2026, equivalent to 3.0% of gross domestic product (GDP), supported by a stronger goods surplus and robust financial account inflows amid resilient external demand and sustained foreign investor interest.

According to a research note by Kenanga Investment Bank, the current account surplus rose significantly from RM2.7 billion or 0.5% of GDP recorded in the fourth quarter of 2025.

The improvement was primarily driven by a wider goods surplus, which expanded to RM33.6 billion from RM24.3 billion previously, as imports contracted faster than exports during the quarter.

Exports declined 5.3% quarter-on-quarter, while imports fell a steeper 9.0%, despite a firmer ringgit averaging RM3.97 against the US dollar compared with RM4.15 in the preceding quarter. – Business Today

Read full publication at <https://www.businesstoday.com.my/2026/05/18/kenanga-forecasts-malaysias-current-account-balance-to-widen-to-2-1-of-gdp-in-2026/>

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Wall Street mixed as Treasury yields ease, oil prices retreat

US stock indices were mixed in choppy trading on Monday even though the bond-market selloff that had pressured equities last week showed signs of cooling and oil prices pulled back. The 10-year Treasury yield, the benchmark for global borrowing costs, fell to 4.573%, having climbed as much as 4.631% to its highest level since February 2025 earlier in the session.

Oil prices also moved lower, with Brent crude down nearly 2%, after reports said the US had proposed a temporary waiver on Iranian oil sanctions, easing some concerns about supply disruptions. Iranian officials did not immediately comment.

"Yields are key to all of this because growth stocks, especially AI-related companies, are priced on forward-looking earnings. When yields move higher, their current valuations come down. That's really the key issue for the market," said Robert Pavlik, senior portfolio manager at Dakota Wealth.

The recent bond-market sell-off was fueled by a surge in oil prices, which has stoked concerns of inflation potentially keeping borrowing costs elevated as efforts to end the Iran war appeared to stall. – The Edge Malaysia

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