

NEWS UPDATE

8 November 2024

MARKET SUMMARY

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

US	Yield	Daily	Yield	Weekly	Yield	Monthly	Yield	YTD	Yield
Treasury	7 November 24	Change	6 November 24	Change	31 October 24	Change	7 October 24	Change	29 Dec 23
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	4.13	-7	4.20	1	4.12	24	3.89	12	4.01
5 YEAR	4.17	-10	4.27	2	4.15	31	3.86	33	3.84
7 YEAR	4.25	-12	4.37	4	4.21	33	3.92	37	3.88
10 YEAR	4.31	-11	4.42	3	4.28	28	4.03	43	3.88

MGS	Yield	Daily	Yield	Weekly	Yield	Monthly	Yield	YTD	Yield
	7 November 24	Change	6 November 24	Change	30 October 24*	Change	7 October 24	Change	29 Dec 23
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.54	-3	3.57	1	3.53	11	3.43	5	3.49
5 YEAR	3.64	-2	3.66	-3	3.67	9	3.55	6	3.58
7 YEAR	3.86	-1	3.87	-4	3.90	11	3.75	15	3.71
10 YEAR	3.91	-2	3.93	-1	3.92	14	3.77	17	3.74

*Malaysia Market closed on 31 October in observance of Deepavali Day Holiday

GII	Yield	Daily	Yield	Weekly	Yield	Monthly	Yield	YTD	Yield
	7 November 24	Change	6 November 24	Change	30 October 24*	Change	7 October 24	Change	29 Dec 23
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.47	0	3.47	2	3.45	12	3.35	-2	3.49
5 YEAR	3.66	-1	3.67	-2	3.68	11	3.55	5	3.61
7 YEAR	3.87	-2	3.89	-4	3.91	12	3.75	10	3.77
10 YEAR	3.91	-2	3.93	-2	3.93	12	3.79	14	3.77

AAA	Yield	Daily	Yield	Weekly	Yield	Monthly	Yield	YTD	Yield
	7 November 24	Change	6 November 24	Change	30 October 24*	Change	7 October 24	Change	29 Dec 23
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.84	1	3.83	4	3.80	5	3.79	1	3.83
5 YEAR	3.99	2	3.97	6	3.93	13	3.86	9	3.90
7 YEAR	4.05	0	4.05	1	4.04	12	3.93	8	3.97
10 YEAR	4.11	0	4.11	2	4.09	10	4.01	6	4.05

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.

BNM likely to keep OPR at 3pct through 2025 - Analysts

Analysts expect Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) to keep the overnight policy rate (OPR) steady at 3.00 per cent through 2025. Hong Leong Investment Bank Bhd (HLIB Research) said its view is supported by Bank Negara Malaysia's assertion that the current monetary policy supports the economy and aligns with the prevailing outlook on inflation and growth, and its commitment to vigilance with a potential second round of inflationary pressures from upcoming domestic policies.

The policies include the phasing out of broad support for RON95 petrol, the expansion of Sales and Service Tax (SST) scope, and anticipated wage increases. CIMB Securities Sdn Bhd in its note said MPC does not seem concerned about demand-pull inflationary pressures, reasoning that increased investments will boost the economy's productive capacity.

It added that plans to increase sales tax on non-essential items, further expand the scope of service tax, and rationalise RON95 subsidies by mid-2025, in which the criteria and implementation method are still under discussion, tilt inflation risk to the upside. — New Straits Times

Read full publication at https://www.nst.com.my/business/corporate/2024/11/1130917/bnm-likely-keep-opr-3pct-through-2025-analysts

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Trump's win threatens ringgit bonds after worst selloff since 2020

Malaysian bonds are turning vulnerable to further outflows as local yields are seen rising along with those on Treasuries with Donald Trump poised to be the next US president. The nation's corporate and sovereign bonds saw a net outflow of RM11.2 billion (US\$2.6 billion) last month, the most since March 2020, according to Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) data compiled by Bloomberg.

Along with the fallout of a Treasury selloff, the ringgit's decline brought about by a stronger dollar is seen pushing up local yields further due to the rising correlation between the two.

"The election outcome portends to sustained dollar strength and coupled with prospective Treasury curve steepening, could risk a further foreign withdrawal from the emerging-market (EM) local currency asset class, with Malaysia's lower-yielding bonds at risk," said Philip McNicholas, Asia sovereign strategist at Robeco Group in Singapore.

"This could see an extension of foreign bond outflows in October," McNicholas said. Malaysia's 10-year yield rose to the highest in six months and the ringgit slid to the lowest this week since August as Trump's victory pummeled emerging markets globally. — Free Malaysia Today

Read full publication at https://www.freemalaysiatoday.com/category/business/2024/11/07/trumps-win-threatens-ringgit-bonds-after-worst-selloff-since-2020/

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Federal Reserve cuts interest rates by a quarter point

The Federal Reserve approved its second consecutive interest rate cut Thursday, moving at a less aggressive pace than before but continuing its efforts to right-size monetary policy.

In a follow-up to September's big half percentage point reduction, the Federal Open Market Committee lowered its benchmark overnight borrowing rate by a quarter percentage point, or 25 basis points, to a target range of 4.50%-4.75%.

The rate sets what banks charge each other for overnight lending but often influences consumer debt instruments such as mortgages, credit cards and auto loans. Markets had widely expected the move, which was telegraphed both at the September meeting and in follow-up remarks from policymakers since then.

The vote was unanimous, unlike the previous move that saw the first "no" vote from a Fed governor since 2005. This time, Governor Michelle Bowman went along with the decision.

Stocks closed positive after the meeting wrapped, with the Nasdaq, whose holdings are tilted towards the tech sector, rallying 1.5% to lead the major averages. – CNBC

Read full publication https://www.cnbc.com/2024/11/07/fed-rate-decision-november-2024.html

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