

## **NEWS UPDATE**

25 April 2025

# 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	24 April 25	Change	23 April 25	Change	17 April 25	Change	24 March 25	Change	31 Dec 24
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.80	-7	3.87	-2	3.82	-21	4.01	-47	4.27
5 YEAR	3.91	-9	4.00	-4	3.95	-18	4.09	-47	4.38
7 YEAR	4.11	-9	4.20	-2	4.13	-11	4.22	-37	4.48
10 YEAR	4.32	-8	4.40	-2	4.34	-2	4.34	-26	4.58

MGS	Yield	Daily	Yield	Weekly	Yield	Monthly	Yield	YTD	Yield
	24 April 25	Change	23 April 25	Change	17 April 25	Change	24 March 25	Change	31 Dec 24
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.27	-2	3.29	-10	3.37	-10	3.37	-21	3.48
5 YEAR	3.37	-2	3.39	-9	3.46	-17	3.54	-25	3.62
7 YEAR	3.56	0	3.56	-6	3.62	-14	3.70	-21	3.77
10 YEAR	3.68	1	3.67	-3	3.71	-7	3.75	-14	3.82

GII	Yield	Daily	Yield	Weekly	Yield	Monthly	Yield	YTD	Yield
	24 April 25	Change	23 April 25	Change	17 April 25	Change	24 March 25	Change	31 Dec 24
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.31	0	3.31	-8	3.39	-21	3.52	-2	3.33
5 YEAR	3.42	-2	3.44	-10	3.52	-15	3.57	-20	3.62
7 YEAR	3.52	-4	3.56	-10	3.62	-17	3.69	-22	3.74
10 YEAR	3.67	-1	3.68	-3	3.70	-8	3.75	-16	3.83

AAA	Yield	Daily	Yield	Weekly	Yield	Monthly	Yield	YTD	Yield
	24 April 25	Change	23 April 25	Change	17 April 25	Change	24 March 25	Change	31 Dec 24
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.67	0	3.67	-3	3.70	-5	3.72	-16	3.83
5 YEAR	3.73	0	3.73	-2	3.75	-5	3.78	-22	3.95
7 YEAR	3.80	1	3.79	-1	3.81	-6	3.86	-19	3.99
10 YEAR	3.87	1	3.86	-2	3.89	-5	3.92	-17	4.04

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 holds firm — but market says a rate cut is coming

Malaysia's bond market is rallying on rising expectations that Bank Negara Malaysia will ease interest rates amid trade tensions and a faltering growth outlook. According to a Bloomberg report, ringgit swaps are pricing in 30 basis points of rate cuts over the next six months, doubling from earlier forecasts.

A recent three-year bond sale drew the strongest investor interest in over half a year, signaling a bullish bet on lower rates. Analysts say such a move would ease borrowing costs and support capital markets during a period of global uncertainty.

"Ringgit rates market has increased dovish bets for BNM," said Maybank Securities' head of fixed-income research Winson Phoon, who explained that the country's weaker GDP and global trade risks made a rate cut increasingly likely.

Malaysia's economic growth missed expectations in the first quarter, with GDP rising 4.4 per cent year-on-year. Simultaneously, Malaysia's inflation cooled to 1.4 per cent in March, giving BNM more room to cut rates without sparking price concerns. Malaysia's benchmark interest rate has been at 3.0 per cent since May 2023. – Malay Mail

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## BNM, Treasury to review IMF's latest report on Malaysia's real GDP — Anwar

Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) and the Treasury Department will review the International Monetary Fund's (IMF) latest assessment of Malaysia's real gross domestic product (GDP), as reported in the April 2025 World Economic Outlook.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said that a complete statement will be delivered during the special parliamentary sitting on May 5. Anwar, who is also the finance minister, said the review of real GDP is not limited to Malaysia but part of a broader global reassessment.

"This is an international revision that includes the United States, China, and most countries...they (the GDP figures) are slightly down. The government, together with BNM and the Treasury, will review the report and provide our feedback," he told reporters after attending the Royal Malaysian Customs Department's (Customs) Hari Raya celebration here on Thursday.

Also present were Customs director general Datuk Anis Rizana Mohd Zainudin, Deputy Finance Minister Lim Hui Ying, and Treasury secretary general Datuk Johan Mahmood Merican. – The Edge Malaysia

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#### Treasury yields slip as traders navigate U.S.-China trade tensions

Treasury yields declined on Thursday as investors continue to weigh the latest development on the global trade front, as well as President Donald Trump backtracking on plans to fire the Federal Reserve chief. The 10-year Treasury yield was down 8 basis points at 4.307%, while the 2-year Treasury yield was down 7 basis points at 3.789%.

Investor concerns eased on Thursday after Trump indicated a softening of trade tensions between the U.S. and China. U.S. tariffs on China currently stand at 145%. Additionally, Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent said "there is an opportunity for a big deal here" on trade between the U.S. and China.

However, China said on Thursday that there will be no conversations with the U.S. on tariffs. "If the U.S. really wants to resolve the problem ... it should cancel all the unilateral measures on China," Ministry of Commerce Spokesperson He Yadong said to reporters.

On the other hand, investors received some good news when Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent said on Thursday afternoon that the Trump administration may reach "an agreement on understanding" on trade with South Korea "as soon as next week." – CNBC

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