

## NEWS UPDATE

8 January 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	7 January 25	Change	6 January 25	Change	31 December 24	Change	6 December 24	Change	31 Dec 24
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	4.33	3	4.30	6	4.27	28	4.05	6	4.27
5 YEAR	4.46	4	4.42	8	4.38	43	4.03	8	4.38
7 YEAR	4.57	5	4.52	9	4.48	48	4.09	9	4.48
10 YEAR	4.67	5	4.62	9	4.58	52	4.15	9	4.58

MGS	Yield	Daily	Yield	Weekly	Yield	Monthly	Yield	YTD	Yield
	7 January 25	Change	6 January 25	Change	31 December 24	Change	6 December 24	Change	31 Dec 24
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.44	0	3.44	-4	3.48	-2	3.46	-4	3.48
5 YEAR	3.60	-1	3.61	-2	3.62	4	3.56	-2	3.62
7 YEAR	3.77	-2	3.79	0	3.77	4	3.73	0	3.77
10 YEAR	3.82	0	3.82	0	3.82	5	3.77	0	3.82

GII	Yield	Daily	Yield	Weekly	Yield	Monthly	Yield	YTD	Yield
	7 January 25	Change	6 January 25	Change	31 December 24	Change	6 December 24	Change	31 Dec 24
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.35	0	3.35	2	3.33	1	3.34	2	3.33
5 YEAR	3.62	-2	3.64	0	3.62	3	3.59	0	3.62
7 YEAR	3.75	1	3.74	1	3.74	2	3.73	1	3.74
10 YEAR	3.83	-1	3.84	0	3.83	4	3.79	0	3.83

AAA	Yield	Daily	Yield	Weekly	Yield	Monthly	Yield	YTD	Yield
	7 January 25	Change	6 January 25	Change	31 December 24	Change	6 December 24	Change	31 Dec 24
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.82	0	3.82	-1	3.83	0	3.82	-1	3.83
5 YEAR	3.92	0	3.92	-3	3.95	1	3.91	-3	3.95
7 YEAR	3.99	0	3.99	0	3.99	0	3.99	0	3.99
10 YEAR	4.04	0	4.04	0	4.04	-1	4.05	0	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.

### RAM Ratings affirms AA3/P1 ratings of Bermaz's Islamic programmes

RAM Ratings has affirmed the respective P1 and AA3/Stable ratings of Bermaz Auto Berhad's (Bermaz or the Group) Islamic Commercial Papers (ICP) Programme (2020/2027) and Islamic Medium-Term Notes (IMTN) Programme. The two issues have a combined limit of RM500 mil.

Bermaz's issue ratings are supported by the Group's established niche in the affordable premium segment as well as its robust financial profile and cashflow generation ability. These factors will allow it to ride out the impact of slower sales due to competition from new Chinese entrants and an anticipated moderation of future total industry volume (TIV).

Bermaz reported another positive year in FY Apr 2024, underscored by healthy demand for Mazda completely knocked down (CKD) models like the CX-5 and CX-30 and a strong post-pandemic economy which boosted the Group's pre-tax profit by 14.26% y-o-y to RM483.66 mil.

Its performance in 1H FY Apr 2025, however, fell short in view of competition from aggressive promotion strategies of Chinese marques, a slower lineup release timeline and tapering consumer demand. – RAM Ratings

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### **HSBC** raises Malaysia's 2025 GDP growth forecast to 4.8%

HSBC Global Research has raised its 2025 economic growth projection for Malaysia, citing robust consumption and investment despite external risks. HSBC now projects Malaysia's gross domestic product (GDP) to grow 4.8% in 2025 (from 4.6%), after raising its GDP forecast for 2024 to 5.2% (from 5%).

"Despite external risks, consumption and investment can, fortunately, partially support growth," added HSBC in its 2025 Asia Economics Outlook report on Tuesday.

Additionally, the research firm said the country's gross fixed capital formation (GFCF) has shown impressive double-digit growth for three consecutive quarters, driven by both public and private sectors.

In its report, HSBC highlighted Malaysia's strong recovery in 2024, particularly in the manufacturing sector, where electrical & electronics (E&E) exports have rebounded.

"Compared to peers, there is still room for Malaysia's trade sector to improve, although that's not the case for the commodity side. Palm oil continues to register double-digit growth, but oil and LNG (liquified natural gas) exports remain drags on exports." — The Edge Malaysia

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### US set to pay most since 2007 for 10-year debt as yields rise

The bond market selloff that's lifted long-maturity Treasury yields to the highest levels in months stands to reward buyers at Tuesday's auction of 10-year notes with the juiciest yield in 17 years.

While the yield on 10-year notes hit as much as 5% in late 2023, the current yield of 4.64% — if it holds through the 1 p.m. sale — would be the highest for newly auctioned securities since August 2007. In the post-pandemic period, 10-year auctions drew yields under 1%.

While Treasury yields were little changed in early US trading Tuesday, the 10-year bonds briefly topped 4.64%, the highest level since May, while the 30-year bonds exceeded 4.87% for the first time in more than a year. Barring a big rally in the meantime, a 30-year bond auction on Wednesday stands to draw the highest yield since 2007 as well.

Treasury yields are rising — the 10-year notes was under 4.2% a month ago — amid signs of economic resilience and sticky inflation after three Federal Reserve interest-rate cuts last year, as well as projected growth in borrowing needs. It's part of a global trend that drove UK 30-year yields to the highest level since 1998 on Tuesday. — The Edge Malaysia

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