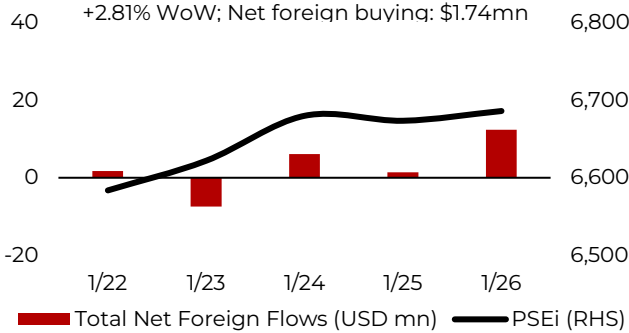


The Weekly Review

JANUARY 29, 2024

Philippine Stock Exchange Index



	Level	WoW
PSEi	6,686.09	+2.81%
3-mo bond yield	5.42%	+6.33 bps
2-yr bond yield	5.97%	+7.47 bps
10-yr bond yield	6.19%	-2.39 bps
USDPHP	56.29	+0.57%
Oil (Brent, \$ / barrel)	83.55	+6.35%

The local equity market tracked gains in Wall Street as the S&P 500 hit all-time highs throughout the week.

Top performers were Bloomberry Resorts Corp (PSE Ticker: BLOOM; +8.71%), GT Capital Holdings Inc (GTCAP; +7.11%), and Bank Of The Philippine Islands (BPI; +7.06%). Meanwhile, Alliance Global Group, Inc (PSE Ticker: AGI; -2.92%), Century Pacific Food Inc (CNPF; -5.88%), and San Miguel Corp (SMC; -7.55%) were the laggards of the week.

▲ The PSEi closed at 6,686.09 (+2.81% WoW).

Local fixed income yields were mixed but rose on average after hawkish comments from BSP Governor Remolona pushed back expectations of policy rate cuts early this year. The Bureau of the Treasury also issued fresh Php30-billion 10-year Treasury bonds which received strong demand.

▲ On average, yields rose by 4 bps, with the 2Y closing at 5.97% (+7 bps) and the 10Y closing at 6.19% (-2 bps).

The Philippine peso weakened after hawkish remarks from various US Federal Reserve officials and the strong US gross domestic product (GDP) growth data pushed back against market expectations of early rate cuts from the US Federal Reserve.

▲ USD/PHP pair closed at 56.29 (+0.57% WoW).

The US stock markets rose after the stronger-than-expected US GDP growth in 4Q23 lifted sentiment. US GDP grew by 3.3%, beating street consensus of 2.0%. Technology, financials, as well as oil and gas industries led the gains, as supported by upbeat corporate earnings.

▲ S&P 500 closed at 4,890.97 (+1.06% WoW).

▲ DJIA closed at 38,109.43 (+0.65% WoW).

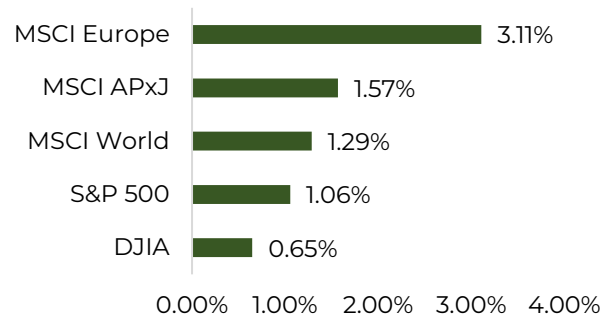
US Treasury yields were flat but fell on average as cooler-than-expected personal consumption expenditure (PCE) inflation was offset by hawkish comments from Fed officials and the stronger-than-expected GDP figure.

▼ On average, US Treasury yields fell by 0.2 bps WoW, with the 10Y closing at 4.14% (+1 bps).

The **US dollar** mildly strengthened as investors weighed the latest GDP growth and core PCE readings in the US. Investors also digested the policy decisions of the Bank of Japan and European Central Bank to leave their respective policy rates unchanged.

▲ The DXY closed at 103.43 (+0.14% WoW).

Global Stock Indices



	Level	WoW
S&P 500	4,890.97	+1.06%
DJIA	38,109.43	+0.65%
3-mo US Treasury yield	5.37%	-3.30 bps
2-yr US Treasury yield	4.35%	-2.80 bps
10-yr US Treasury yield	4.14%	+10.70 bps
DXY	103.43	+0.14%