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The Morning View

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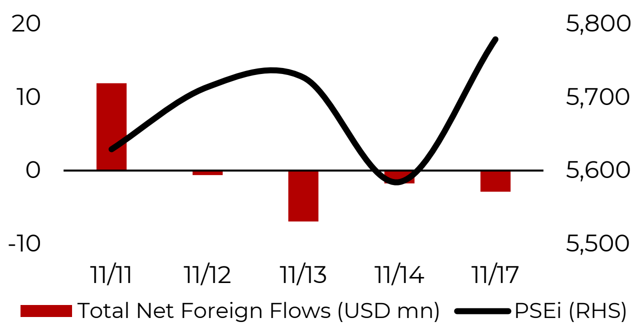
Philippine Stock Exchange Index

+3.49% DoD; Net foreign selling: $2.90mn



	Level	DoD
PSEi	5,779.12	+3.49%
3-mo bond yield	4.88%	-1.36 bps
2-yr bond yield	5.21%	+1.16 bps
5-yr bond yield	5.55%	+3.24 bps
10-yr bond yield	5.90%	+1.73 bps
USDPHP	58.93	-0.23%
Oil (Brent, $ / barrel)	64.20	-0.30%

Overseas Filipino Workers (OFW) cash remittances jumped by 3.74% YoY to $3.12 billion in September, marking the fastest growth in five months. This brought 9M25 cash remittances to $26.03 billion (+3.19% YoY). The US remained the top source of cash remittances in 9M25, accounting for 40.38% of the total, followed by Singapore (7.09%) and Saudi Arabia (6.37%).

SM Prime Holdings, Inc. (PSE Ticker: SMPH) raised Php17.0 billion from its recent issuance of fixed-rate retail bonds, the third tranche under SMPH's Php100.0 billion shelf registration. The company stated that the proceeds will finance the redevelopment and construction of its flagship malls, as well as the opening of new malls in Xiamen and Fujian, China.

Local equities rebounded as investors sought bargains after last week's sharp decline. The PSEi closed at 5,779.12 (+3.49% DoD).

Local fixed income yields rose as investors weighed hawkish remarks from Fed officials Schmid and Logan, noting that US inflation remains elevated. On average, yields rose by 0.91 bps, with the 2Y closing at 5.21% (+1.16 bps) and the 10Y closing at 5.90% (+1.73 bps).

The **Philippine peso** strengthened on optimism after reports showed that September OFW cash remittances grew at the fastest pace in five months. The USD/PHP pair closed at 58.93 (-0.23% DoD).

Federal Reserve officials remained divided on the timing of rate cuts. Fed Governor Waller reiterated his support for a December rate cut, citing rising layoff discussion among US firms and inflation, excluding tariffs, being near the Fed's target. In contrast, Vice Chair Jefferson urged caution on further cuts, emphasizing uncertainty in labor market conditions and broader economic data.

US construction spending rose by 0.2% MoM in August (July revised: +0.2%; Consensus: -0.1%), driven by an uptick in private construction projects. This was amid stronger residential spending, likely driven by home renovations as spending on single-family home construction projects dropped. Likewise, investment in offices and factories weakened.

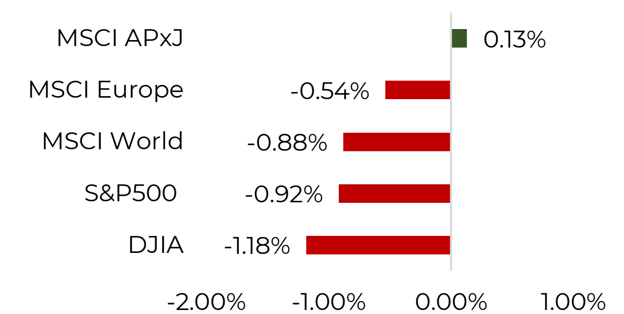
US equities inched down, **US Treasury yields** ended mixed, and the **US dollar** strengthened as investors awaited delayed economic reports, including jobs and trade data, as well as the Fed's October meeting minutes to be released later this week. Markets also looked ahead to earnings results from Nvidia and major retailers.

The S&P 500 closed at 6,672.41 (-0.92% DoD), while the DJIA ended at 46,590.24 (-1.18% DoD).

On average, yields fell by 0.18 bps, with the 2Y closing at 3.61% (+0.20 bps) and the 10Y closing at 4.14% (-0.90 bps).

The DXY closed at 99.59 (+0.29% DoD).

Global Stock Indices



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S&P 500	6,672.41	-0.92%
DJIA	46,590.24	-1.18%
3-mo US Treasury yield	3.87%	-1.30 bps
2-yr US Treasury yield	3.61%	+0.20 bps
5-yr US Treasury yield	3.73%	-0.40 bps
10-yr US Treasury yield	4.14%	-0.90 bps
DXY	99.59	+0.29%