

The Weekly Review

NOVEMBER 13, 2023

Philippine Stock Exchange Index +2.88% WoW; Net foreign buying: \$1.56mn 6,200 6,150 2 6,100 0 6,050 6.000 11/8 11/10 PSEi (RHS) ■Total Net Foreign Flows (USD mn) • WoW **PSEi** 6,161.89 +2.88% 3-mo bond yield 6.18% +1.35 bps -11.04 bps 2-yr bond yield 6.48% 10-yr bond yield 6.74% -25.62 bps **USDPHP** 55.96 -0.25%

Local equities rose amid optimism over the stronger-thanexpected third quarter GDP growth and slower October inflation print. Additionally, the upbeat PH manufacturing PMI data and stronger peso also further lifted market sentiment.

Top performers were Aboitiz Equity Ventures, Inc. (AEV; +7.00%), Monde Nissin Corporation (MONDE; +6.08%), and JG Summit Holdings, Inc. (JGS; +5.98%). Meanwhile, Alliance Global Group, Inc. (AGI; -2.42%), ACEN Corporation (ACEN; -4.09%), and Nickel Asia Corporation (NIKL; -4.38%) were the laggards of the week.

▲ The PSEi closed at 6,161.89 (+2.88% WoW).

Local fixed income yields dropped on growing expectations that the BSP will hold rates steady in its November policy meeting. This was after the inflation print eased in October.

▼ On average, yields fell by 10 bps, with the 2Y closing at 6.48% (-11 bps) and the 10Y closing at 6.74% (-26 bps).

The Philippine peso strengthened amid positive sentiment due to the above-consensus 3Q23 GDP print and lower oil prices. However, gains were tempered by mixed commentaries made by some US Fed officials throughout the week.

▼ USD/PHP pair closed at 55.96 (-0.25% WoW).

US equities climbed as the decline in Treasury yields earlier in the week lifted market sentiment. Investors also reacted to mixed remarks made by several US Federal Reserve officials, including Fed Chair Powell, on economic growth, inflation, and monetary policy outlook.

-4.08%

81.43

- ▲ S&P 500 closed at 4,415.24 (+1.31% WoW).
- ▲ DJIA closed at 34,283.10 (+0.65% WoW).

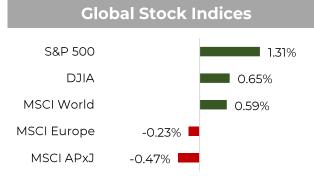
Oil (Brent, \$ / barrel)

US Treasury yields spiked as investors focused on US Fed Chair Powell's remarks in his speech that policy rates may not yet be restrictive enough to bring inflation down to its 2% target. This was also following a 10-year note auction and a 30-year bond auction within the week.

▲ On average, US Treasury yields rose by 9 bps WoW, with the 10Y closing at 4.65% (+8 bps).

The **US Dollar** strengthened as investors digested hawkish comments from Fed Chair Powell, suggesting that policy rates are not yet restrictive enough to tame inflation.

▲ The DXY closed at 105.86 (+0.80% WoW).



-2.00% -1.00% 0.00% 1.00% 2.00%

	Level	WoW
S&P 500	4,415.24	+1.31%
DJIA	34,283.10	+0.65%
3-mo US Treasury yield	5.41%	-1.30 bps
2-yr US Treasury yield	5.06%	+22.10 bps
10-yr US Treasury yield	4.65%	+8.00 bps
DXY	105.86	+0.80%

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