

NEWS UPDATE

2 May 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	1 May 25	Change	30 April 25	Change	24 April 25	Change	1 April 25	Change	31 Dec 24
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.69	11	3.58	-11	3.80	-16	3.85	-58	4.27
5 YEAR	3.81	9	3.72	-10	3.91	-10	3.91	-57	4.38
7 YEAR	4.02	9	3.93	-9	4.11	-1	4.03	-46	4.48
10 YEAR	4.25	8	4.17	-7	4.32	8	4.17	-33	4.58

MGS	Yield	Daily	Yield	Weekly	Yield	Monthly	Yield	YTD	Yield
	30 April 25*	Change	29 April 25	Change	23 April 25	Change	28 March 25	Change	31 Dec 24
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.26	0	3.26	-3	3.29	-12	3.38	-22	3.48
5 YEAR	3.34	-1	3.35	-5	3.39	-22	3.56	-28	3.62
7 YEAR	3.55	2	3.53	-1	3.56	-17	3.72	-22	3.77
10 YEAR	3.66	1	3.65	-1	3.67	-11	3.77	-16	3.82

*Malaysia Market closed on 1 May in observance of Labour Day Holiday

GII	Yield	Daily	Yield	Weekly	Yield	Monthly	Yield	YTD	Yield
	30 April 25*	Change	29 April 25	Change	23 April 25	Change	28 March 25	Change	31 Dec 24
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.32	3	3.29	1	3.31	-19	3.51	-1	3.33
5 YEAR	3.42	0	3.42	-2	3.44	-17	3.59	-20	3.62
7 YEAR	3.53	1	3.52	-3	3.56	-18	3.71	-21	3.74
10 YEAR	3.62	-3	3.65	-6	3.68	-16	3.78	-21	3.83

AAA	Yield	Daily	Yield	Weekly	Yield	Monthly	Yield	YTD	Yield
	30 April 25*	Change	29 April 25	Change	23 April 25	Change	28 March 25	Change	31 Dec 24
		bps		bps		bps		bps	
3 YEAR	3.66	-1	3.67	-1	3.67	-7	3.73	-17	3.83
5 YEAR	3.71	-1	3.72	-2	3.73	-8	3.79	-24	3.95
7 YEAR	3.78	-1	3.79	-1	3.79	-7	3.85	-21	3.99
10 YEAR	3.86	0	3.86	0	3.86	-5	3.91	-18	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.

HCK Capital launches RM2bil sukuk wakalah programme

HCK Capital Group Bhd's wholly owned subsidiary, HCK Cap Access Bhd, has lodged the necessary documents with the Securities Commission (SC) to establish a sukuk wakalah programme, with a value of up to RM2bil.

In a filing with Bursa Malaysia, the property developer said that the senior Sukuk Wakalah had been assigned a final credit rating of AIS by MARC Ratings Bhd, while the Perpetual Sukuk Wakalah shall remain unrated.

"The proceeds of the Sukuk Wakalah shall be utilised by HCK Cap Access to invest in the wakalah investments and shall be advanced by HCK Cap Access to HCK Capital, as the obligor of the sukuk wakalah programme via shariah compliant inter-co financing," HCK Capital said.

CIMB Investment Bank Bhd is the sole principal adviser, sole lead arranger, and joint lead manager for the Sukuk Wakalah programme. CIMB Islamic Bank Bhd serves as the shariah adviser for the programme, while Alliance Islamic Bank Bhd has been appointed as the joint lead manager for distribution. – The Star

Read full publication https://www.thestar.com.my/business/business-news/2025/05/01/hck-capital-launches-rm2bil-sukuk-wakalah-programme

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RAM Ratings publishes enhanced Project Finance Rating Criteria

As part of its periodic review of rating criteria and methodology, RAM Ratings has updated its criteria for specific project finance sectors, namely for independent power producers (IPPs), toll road and Private-Finance-Initiative (PFI) or Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) projects.

The revisions incorporate the recent criteria enhancement introduced for extraordinary financial sponsor support for project finance transactions, which draws from our past experience, particularly in the post-pandemic economy.

Although RAM's fundamental rating framework for each of these infrastructure assets remain unchanged, we have made revisions to improve analytical clarity and for better transparency, to ensure that our assessment continues to accurately reflect the credit quality of project finance transactions.

Specifically, the revised Rating Methodology for Independent Power Producers elaborates our views on ESG risks and its impact on IPPs, while the updated Rating Methodology for Toll Road Projects provides further clarity on RAM's existing criteria. – RAM Ratings

Read full publication at https://www.ram.com.my/pressrelease/?prviewid=6918

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Bond market thinks Fed should cut rates, Treasury's Bessent says

The bond market is sending a signal that the Federal Reserve should be cutting interest rates, U.S. Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent said on Thursday, noting that yields on 2-year Treasury notes were lower than central bank's policy rate.

"We are seeing that two-year rates are now below fed funds rates, so that's a market signal that they think the Fed should be cutting," Bessent said in an interview on Fox Business Network's "Mornings with Maria" program.

The 2-year note yield on Thursday was about 3.57%, down about 5 basis points on the day and about three-quarters of a percentage point below the daily effective federal funds rate of 4.33%. The Fed's policy rate is set in a range of 4.25% to 4.50%, where it has been since December after it cut rates by a percentage point late last year.

Fed officials have been in a wait-and-see posture since as they assess the effects of President Donald Trump's new policies, particularly on how the sweeping tariffs on imported goods he has imposed will affect inflation, demand and the job market. – Reuters

Read full publication at https://www.reuters.com/world/us/us-treasury-chief-urges-fed-cut-rates-2025-05-01/

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