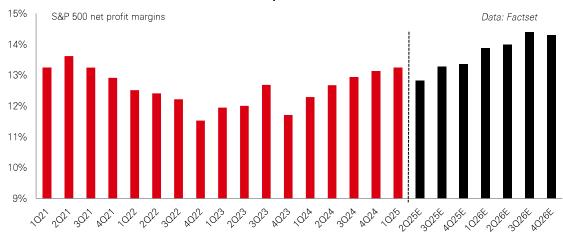
# Investment Weekly

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### Chart of the week – What to watch in Q2 profits season



Q2 profits reporting season gets started in earnest in the US next week against a backdrop of continued uncertainty about further tariff announcements. A strong Q1, helped by firms frontloading ahead of expected tariffs, saw year-on-year profits grow by 13% – double consensus expectations at the start of the year. Today, all eyes are on whether Q2 will see something similar. Forecasts have been falling through the quarter – in part driven by tariff uncertainty – leaving expected year-on-year growth at a modest 5%.

The big question remains – will companies absorb tariffs, or pass them on? Evidence so far suggests many are initially choosing to soak them up to protect market share. With net profit margin estimates at an above-average 12.8%, companies appear to have space to weather these headwinds. This implies margins may struggle to increase as analysts expect over the coming quarters, especially if the economy slows.

Meanwhile, this week's news that Nvidia had become the first USD4 trillion market cap company is a reminder of the outsized influence of the technology and communication services sectors on the US stock market. Together they account for over 60% of expected profit growth in 2025. However, tech sector valuations and profitability levels are back at all-time highs, which could make beating profit forecasts more challenging. So, while global investors can't ignore US stocks (see page 2), dollar weakness and profits challenges support our view that US exceptionalism is fading, which should encourage a broadening out of performance globally. #earningsseason #dollar #spx #tariffs

Global Stocks →
How FX has influenced equity returns this year

Asian Investment Flows →
Exploring trends in global flows to Asian markets

### **Market Spotlight**

### Megatrend investing

A key investment attraction of **listed infrastructure** is its role as a long duration play that can potentially generate dependable cashflows and high dividend yields. For that reason, it tends to be a defensive, low volatility building block. So, it's eye-catching that recent returns from listed infrastructure are linked to its strong connection to sectors involved in one of the biggest megatrends in global markets – Al.

Take the rapid roll-out of data centres in the US. Major construction of facilities to power Al has been an unfolding infrastructure theme for some time, and big-tech hyperscalers remain active in the sector. Meanwhile, data centres are fueling vast demand for power generation. Against a backdrop of the longer-term energy transition, this is driving investment in key areas like electrification, transmission, and distribution grids.

After a strong recent performance from US infrastructure-related sectors, our infrastructure team think there could now be more compelling valuations found in Europe, the UK, and China on a relative basis. Meanwhile, at around 4%, the current average dividend from infrastructure is well above the average for global equities – reinforcing its appeal as a defensive income option for portfolios. #infrastructure #ai #value

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What global fragmentation means for investors

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### Spot the difference

At first sight, you'd be forgiven for thinking that after a slow start to the year, US stocks have finally caught up with their European counterparts. In local currency terms, the performance differential between European and US indices has certainly narrowed – although it still favours Europe. But in euro terms, US stocks are still down 6% in 2025.

Much of the difference is to do with the weaker US dollar. Global investors normally leave equity allocations unhedged – because stock market volatility tends to dominate FX volatility – and for years exposure to the strong dollar has been a return driver. But that's not the case this year.

Meanwhile, the recent pick-up in US momentum reflects a combination of investor relief post-Liberation Day, and resurgent interest in the Al and technology megatrend. And the tailwind of a weaker dollar boosts the profitability of the US's world-leading exporters. So, even at today's rich forward price/earnings ratio of 22x, and with weak macro vibes weighing on profits, investors can't overlook US stocks. But it all makes for a complicated outlook for global investors, and a key lesson from H1 is that FX can't be ignored. #spx #dollar #euro #stocks.

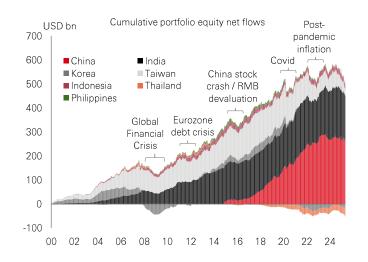


### Ebb and flow

Foreign investments into Asian markets have risen sharply over the past 25 years. Global factors – like recent US dollar weakness – drive these flows, but local valuations, earnings growth, and supportive policy play an increasingly influential role.

Research by our Multi-Asset team shows the region is evolving how it absorbs and responds to global economic forces. In the past, equity flows surged on tech-led booms in Taiwan and South Korea, and the economic rise of India and China. But they partly reversed amid the post-pandemic slowdown and policy uncertainty. Big exporters saw sharp outflows, but domestically-focused economies in India, Indonesia and the Philippines were much more resilient. Bond flows are also vulnerable to macro shocks but have tended to be more stable, especially in markets with favourable policies and supportive structures, like ASEAN and China.

Against a backdrop of fading US exceptionalism and a broadening out of global leadership, the research shows Asian markets becoming more resilient. It supports our view that selective emerging market exposure can be a portfolio diversifier and insulate against global risks. #asia #emergingmarkets #diversification



### G-zero economics

A central theme of our <u>Mid-Year Outlook</u> is that the global landscape is shifting from a world dominated by a single economic power to one where influence is shared across multiple regions. The traditional dominance of the US or G10 economies is giving way to a fragmented "G-zero" landscape, where no single country has the capacity to lead. **This presents complex dynamics and opportunities for investors**.

One outcome has been a rise in geopolitical tensions. The number of international conflicts has increased in recent years, adding uncertainty to the macroeconomic outlook. It can contribute to an environment of frequent supply shocks, volatile inflation, and constrained growth.

Yet in a G-zero landscape, emerging and frontier markets – such as India, Indonesia, Brazil, and Vietnam – are gaining economic and political influence. Many are building deeper trade relationships, investing in domestic capacity, and benefiting from demographic trends. These markets are well-positioned for future growth but are underrepresented in global portfolios. In a more fragmented world, diversification across these economies can help investors manage risk and access structural upside. #gzero #multipolarworld #emergingmarkets

Conflicts in the world involving at least one state

70

Extra-systemic conflicts
Interstate conflicts
Internationalised interstate conflicts
Non-internationalised interstate conflicts

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### Asset class views

Our baseline macro scenario is for below-trend growth and above-target inflation in the US while other major economies experience more trend-like growth and limited inflation pressures. But policy uncertainty remains high, and the data flow is likely to remain bumpy. Risk asset valuations are stretched in many areas. That means that any deterioration in corporate fundamentals could create market volatility. A defensive positioning in portfolios remains appropriate, which includes selective exposures to fixed income, risk assets, and private markets.

House view represents a 12-month investment view across major asset classes in our portfolios.

|               | Asset Class                   | - View + | Comments  |
|---------------|-------------------------------|----------|---|
| ors           | Global growth                 |          | A defensive positioning in investment portfolios remains appropriate given continuing risk of macro disappointment or weakness. We prefer to access the growth factor in laggard regions, such as Asia and emerging markets   |
| Macro Factors | Duration                      |          | The shape of the yield curve is highly dependent on Fed policies. While there may be periods of flattening, we expect a trend of modest steepening over the medium term, as US fiscal concerns build. If adverse economic outcomes prevail, there is scope for strong returns in global duration              |
| <br>          | Emerging<br>Markets           | ••••     | The EM growth outlook is a relative bright spot in a global context. Falling inflation, modest Fed policy easing, and a weaker USD should pave the way for more countries to cut rates. China policy remains supportive, but US tariffs will exert a meaningful drag on some EM economies                     |
|               | US 10yr<br>Treasuries         |          | Yields have been volatile in recent months reflecting the uncertain macro and policy outlook. Slower growth should lead to modest Fed easing, with a gradual decline in rates, but inflation risks and fiscal concerns are likely to keep yields above 4%   |
| Bonds         | EMD Local                     |          | Inflation does not appear to be an issue in EM. Several central banks are cutting rates despite the Fed pause, supporting growth in many regions. Broad US dollar weakness, reflecting weaker US growth expectations, is a tailwind   |
|               | Asia Local                    | ••••     | Macro-stability indicators are largely sound, and the inflation outlook is broadly benign. We expect most EM Asian central banks to ease policy opportunistically given growth concerns from US policy/global trade uncertainty, while staying vigilant on FX volatility/financial stability concerns         |
|               | Global Credit                 |          | IG credit spreads reversed the widening seen in April's bout of volatility and are low in a historical context. Nonetheless, all-in yields remain reasonable. Global policy uncertainty remains a potential risk, particularly if it leads to a widespread loss of confidence and unexpectedly sharp slowdown |
| Credits       | Global High-<br>Yield         |          | The risk to spreads may be to the upside given their rapid retracement from April's peak at a time when the uncertain outlook is starting to filter through to the latest corporate earnings guidance for 2025. We maintain a more defensive stance with a preference for higher quality                      |
| Cre           | Asia Credit                   |          | Spreads have compressed recently. Any future widening is expected to be modest given the balance of macro risks. High all-in yields and low issuance are positives. Trade tensions are a risk, but low duration and strong balance-sheet quality are further positives for the asset class                    |
|               | EMD Hard<br>Currency<br>Bonds |          | EM hard-currency debt is a structurally improving asset class with ratings upgrades outpacing downgrades. Moreover, policy stimulus from China and Europe provides some offset to head winds from trade tariffs. Any spread widening from here is likely to be limited  |
|               | DM Equities                   |          | Markets face potential volatility amid slowing global growth and geopolitical risks, although falling rates should be supportive. We expect more broadening out for asset returns beyond the US technology sector and mega-cap growth into other regions, sectors, and styles                                 |
| Equities      | EM Equities                   |          | EM growth premiums (vs DM) are expected to widen, with overall valuations favorable and the USD playing a key role in their performance. They remain unloved, as reflected in low P/E multiples. However, EMs should not be treated as a single bloc given their idiosyncrasies                               |
|               | Asia ex Japan                 |          | Asian markets offer broad sector diversification and fair valuations, with China's policy measures and other structural stories as positives. Tech remains the profit engine amid rising optimism over China's AI developments, but export-oriented markets are more vulnerable to external shocks            |
| es            | Private Credit                |          | As interest rates normalise, private credit continues to offer attractive 'all in' yields, and an illiquidity premium that suits long-term investors. It can also serve as a useful portfolio diversifier. Default rates remain consistently low  |
| Alternatives  | Hedge Funds                   |          | Hedge funds can be good diversifiers in an environment of elevated inflation and should there be sharp upticks in volatility. Macro and CTA strategies can be potentially attractive alternatives to bonds when there are positive stock-bond correlations  |
|               | Global Real<br>Estate         |          | After a multi-year correction, returns are expected to improve towards long-run averages, driven by income. Traditional sectors (retail, logistics, residential) have turned modestly positive recently, but office space remains a laggard. Global policy uncertainty could hamper investment volumes        |

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## Key Events and Data Releases

| This week    |         |  |               |        |       |   |
|--------------|---------|--|---------------|--------|-------|---|
| Date         | Country | Indicator                                | Data<br>as of | Actual | Prior | Comment   |
| Tue. 08 July | US      | US President's tariff announcement       | Jul           |        |       | The US President delayed imposing higher tariffs until 1 August, but announced a new 25% reciprocal tariff rate on Japan and Korea  |
|              | US      | NFIB Index of Small Business<br>Optimism | Jun           | 98.6   | 98.8  | Business sentiment stabilised amid lower uncertainty. Taxes remain the biggest concern, followed by high labour costs               |
|              | AU      | RBA Cash Target Rate                     | Jul           | 3.85%  | 3.85% | The RBA surprisingly kept rates unchanged, reflecting its cautious and data-dependent approach to easing                            |
| Wed. 09 July | CN      | CPI (yoy)                                | Jun           | 0.1%   | -0.1% | Headline inflation increased on smaller declines in industrial, consumer goods, and food prices. Core inflation rose slightly       |
|              | NZ      | RBNZ Official Cash Rate                  | Jul           | 3.25%  | 3.25% | The RBNZ left policy unchanged after six consecutive cuts, signalling further easing if price pressures continue to subside         |
|              | US      | FOMC minutes                             | Jun           |        |       | FOMC participants were divided over the impact of higher tariffs on US inflation and the trajectory for US interest rates           |
| Thu. 10 July | КО      | Bank of Korea Base Rate                  | Jul           | 2.50%  | 2.50% | The BoK kept its benchmark steady as it monitors the effects of policy easing, the local housing market, and US tariff developments |

US - United States, AU - Australia, CN - China, NZ - New Zealand, KO - South Korea

### The week ahead

| Date         | Country | Indicator                   | Data<br>as of | Survey  | Prior   | Comment  |
|--------------|---------|-----------------------------|---------------|---------|---------|--|
| Mon. 14 July | US      | Earnings                    | Q2            |         |         | Following a strong Q1, the Q2 earnings season starts with the larger banks. Consensus US EPS growth for Q2 is 5% yoy                 |
|              | CN      | Trade Balance (USD)         | Jun           | 113.2bn | 103.2bn | China's trade surplus is likely to remain sizeable, buoyed by solid exports following the US-China tariff de-escalation              |
|              | IN      | CPI (yoy)                   | Jun           | 2.3%    | 2.8%    | Disinflation should persist in June, driven by a sustained moderation in food prices   |
| Tue. 15 July | US      | CPI (yoy)                   | Jun           | 2.6%    | 2.4%    | Increased evidence of higher tariffs should be evident in June. Some goods prices, such as major appliances, have risen              |
|              | CN      | Industrial Production (yoy) | Jun           | 5.6%    | 5.8%    | Industrial production has been bolstered by resilient exports, equipment upgrades and high-end manufacturing                         |
|              | CN      | Retail Sales (yoy)          | Jun           | 5.1%    | 6.4%    | Retail sales may decelerate after May's robust figure, but should remain solid amid ongoing policy support                           |
|              | CN      | GDP (yoy)                   | Ω2            | 5.1%    | 5.4%    | Q2 macro data has been resilient following a robust Q1 despite uneven growth momentum across industries                              |
| Wed. 16 July | US      | PPI (mom)                   | Jun           | 0.2%    | 0.1%    | PPI should firm in June, led by higher prices in import-sensitive sectors amid recent dollar weakness                                |
|              | ID      | Bank Indonesia Rate         | Jul           | 5.38%   | 5.50%   | Benign inflation and a stable IDR provide scope for easing in H225.<br>Governor Warjiyo has signalled the need for further rate cuts |
|              | UK      | CPI (yoy)                   | Jun           | -       | 3.4%    | Headline inflation should be little changed in June, with core CPI moderating on softer service sector inflation                     |
|              | US      | Industrial Production (mom) | Jun           | 0.1%    | -0.2%   | Industrial production has slowed in Q2 as frontloading ahead of anticipated tariffs in early 2025 has faded                          |
| Thu. 17 July | US      | Retail Sales (mom)          | Jun           | 0.0%    | -0.9%   | A weak print in retail sales is likely in June, led by soft auto sales, heralding weak consumer spending in Q225                     |
|              | JP      | CPI (yoy)                   | Jun           | 3.3%    | 3.5%    | Headline inflation should edge higher, and core CPI (exc fresh food) may soften on lower energy prices and renewed petrol subsidies  |

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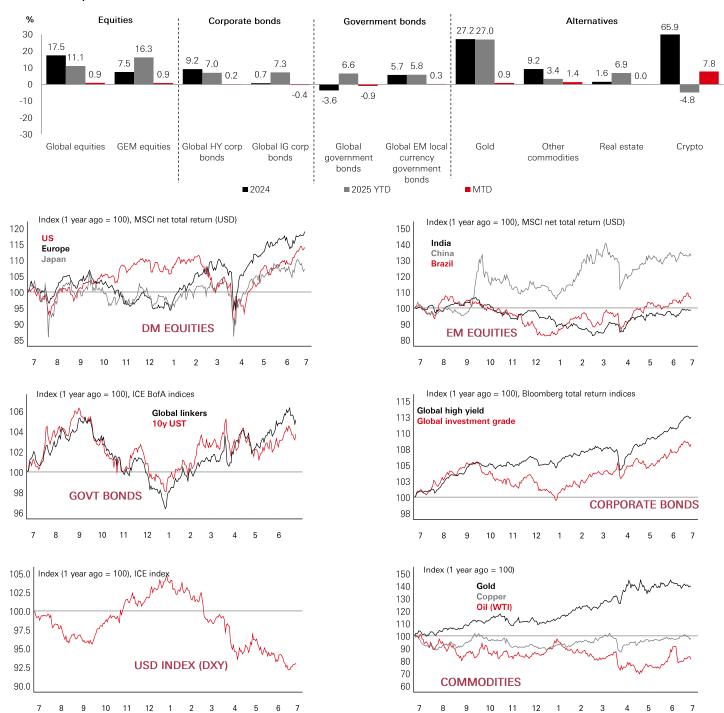
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### This week

Risk markets were cautious ahead of the start of the Q2 earnings season in the US, with trade uncertainty weighing on sentiment. The US dollar index saw modest gains. US Treasuries were firm, supported by solid debt auction results. US IG and HY spreads widened, in contrast to narrowing corporate spreads in Europe. In stock markets, the S&P 500 hovered near its record high. The Euro Stoxx 50 advanced, and the UK's FTSE 100 reached an all-time high, driven by strength in mining stocks. Japan's Nikkei 225 lagged, as longer-dated JGBs weakened amid persistent fiscal concerns ahead of election. Other Asian markets broadly rose, with Korea's Kospi leading the rallies. Chinese equities also traded higher, but India's Sensex declined. In Latin America, Brazil's Bovespa fell on growth concerns and tariff uncertainty. Meanwhile, oil and gold prices consolidated.

#### Selected asset performance



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## Market data

| Equity Indices                          | Close     | 1-week<br>Change<br>(%) | 1-month<br>Change<br>(%) | 3-month<br>Change<br>(%) | 1-year<br>Change<br>(%) | YTD<br>Change<br>(%) | 52-week<br>High | 52-week<br>Low | Fwd<br>P/E<br>(X) |
|---|-----------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|
| World                                   | Close     | (70)                    | (70)                     | (70)                     | (70)                    | (70)                 | riigii          | LOW            | (//)              |
| MSCI AC World Index (USD)               | 926       | 0.1                     | 3.3                      | 17.1                     | 12.4                    | 10.1                 | 927             | 723            | 20.0              |
| North America                           |           |                         |                          |                          |                         |                      | 02,             | ,              |                   |
| US Dow Jones Industrial Average         | 44,651    | -0.4                    | 4.2                      | 11.0                     | 12.3                    | 5.0                  | 45,074          | 36,612         | 22.2              |
| US S&P 500 Index                        | 6,280     | 0.0                     | 4.3                      | 17.1                     | 12.5                    | 6.8                  | 6,290           | 4,835          | 23.8              |
| US NASDAQ Composite Index               | 20,631    | 0.1                     | 5.2                      | 23.4                     | 12.8                    | 6.8                  | 20,655          | 14,784         | 31.6              |
| Canada S&P/TSX Composite Index          | 27,082    | 0.2                     | 2.1                      | 14.8                     | 20.1                    | 9.5                  | 27,120          | 21,659         | 17.1              |
| Europe                                  |           |                         |                          |                          |                         |                      |                 |                |                   |
| MSCI AC Europe (USD)                    | 650       | 1.3                     | 2.0                      | 16.8                     | 13.9                    | 22.9                 | 654             | 516            | 15.4              |
| Euro STOXX 50 Index                     | 5,438     | 2.8                     | 0.8                      | 13.6                     | 9.3                     | 11.1                 | 5,568           | 4,474          | 16.1              |
| UK FTSE 100 Index                       | 8,976     | 1.7                     | 1.3                      | 12.7                     | 9.1                     | 9.8                  | 8,979           | 7,545          | 13.7              |
| Germany DAX Index*                      | 24,457    | 2.8                     | 2.1                      | 20.0                     | 32.0                    | 22.8                 | 24,639          | 17,025         | 17.2              |
| France CAC-40 Index                     | 7,902     | 2.7                     | 1.6                      | 11.2                     | 3.6                     | 7.1                  | 8,258           | 6,764          | 15.7              |
| Spain IBEX 35 Index                     | 14,142    | 1.2                     | 0.1                      | 15.1                     | 26.6                    | 22.0                 | 14,371          | 10,299         | 12.6              |
| Italy FTSE MIB Index                    | 40,528    | 2.3                     | 0.9                      | 19.1                     | 18.1                    | 18.6                 | 40,966          | 30,653         | 12.2              |
| Asia Pacific                            |           |                         |                          |                          |                         |                      |                 |                |                   |
| MSCI AC Asia Pacific ex Japan (USD)     | 646       | 0.3                     | 1.6                      | 19.0                     | 10.2                    | 13.5                 | 649             | 507            | 15.1              |
| Japan Nikkei-225 Stock Average          | 39,636    | -0.4                    | 3.2                      | 18.0                     | -6.1                    | -0.6                 | 42,427          | 30,793         | 20.7              |
| Australian Stock Exchange 200           | 8,577     | -0.3                    | -0.2                     | 12.2                     | 8.7                     | 5.1                  | 8,639           | 7,169          | 19.6              |
| Hong Kong Hang Seng Index               | 24,487    | 2.4                     | 0.5                      | 17.1                     | 37.3                    | 22.1                 | 24,874          | 16,441         | 10.8              |
| Shanghai Stock Exchange Composite Index | 3,540     | 2.0                     | 4.1                      | 9.3                      | 19.2                    | 5.6                  | 3,674           | 2,690          | 13.7              |
| Hang Seng China Enterprises Index       | 8,824     | 2.5                     | -0.5                     | 13.1                     | 38.5                    | 21.0                 | 9,211           | 5,772          | 10.0              |
| Taiwan TAIEX Index                      | 22,751    | 0.9                     | 1.3                      | 16.5                     | -6.7                    | -1.2                 | 24,417          | 17,307         | 17.3              |
| Korea KOSPI Index                       | 3,172     | 3.8                     | 9.1                      | 30.4                     | 9.7                     | 32.2                 | 3,183           | 2,285          | 11.5              |
| India SENSEX 30 Index                   | 82,548    | -1.1                    | 0.0                      | 9.8                      | 3.3                     | 5.6                  | 85,978          | 71,425         | 23.0              |
| Indonesia Jakarta Stock Price Index     | 7,036     | 2.5                     | -2.6                     | 12.3                     | -3.6                    | -0.6                 | 7,911           | 5,883          | 11.7              |
| Malaysia Kuala Lumpur Composite Index   | 1,541     | -0.6                    | 1.1                      | 5.9                      | -5.1                    | -6.2                 | 1,685           | 1,387          | 14.1              |
| Philippines Stock Exchange PSE Index    | 6,478     | 1.3                     | 1.5                      | 6.5                      | -2.0                    | -0.8                 | 7,605           | 5,805          | 10.4              |
| Singapore FTSE Straits Times Index      | 4,097     | 2.1                     | 4.5                      | 16.6                     | 17.9                    | 8.2                  | 4,080           | 3,198          | 13.1              |
| Thailand SET Index                      | 1,128     | 0.7                     | -1.2                     | -0.1                     | -15.2                   | -19.5                | 1,507           | 1,054          | 12.4              |
| Latam                                   |           |                         |                          |                          |                         |                      |                 |                |                   |
| Argentina Merval Index                  | 2,068,736 | -0.5                    | -4.7                     | -8.0                     | 21.3                    | -18.3                | 2,867,775       | 1,333,622      | 8.3               |
| Brazil Bovespa Index*                   | 136,743   | -3.2                    | -0.3                     | 7.1                      | 6.6                     | 13.7                 | 141,564         | 118,223        | 8.5               |
| Chile IPSA Index                        | 8,344     | 0.7                     | 0.3                      | 12.3                     | 27.5                    | 24.3                 | 8,493           | 6,082          | 11.9              |
| Colombia COLCAP Index                   | 1,683     | -0.2                    | 1.4                      | 7.8                      | 22.3                    | 22.0                 | 1,702           | 1,272          | 7.4               |
| Mexico S&P/BMV IPC Index                | 56,740    | -2.1                    | -1.8                     | 10.2                     | 4.3                     | 14.6                 | 59,735          | 48,770         | 12.4              |
| EEMEA                                   |           |                         |                          |                          |                         |                      |                 |                |                   |
| Saudi Arabia Tadawul Index              | 11,277    | 0.3                     | 2.5                      | -2.0                     | -4.4                    | -6.3                 | 12,536          | 10,429         | N/A               |
| South Africa JSE Index                  | 97,364    | 0.2                     | 1.0                      | 12.7                     | 20.1                    | 15.8                 | 98,140          | 77,165         | 11.4              |
| Turkey ISE 100 Index*                   | 10,331    | 0.5                     | 6.7                      | 10.1                     | -6.3                    | 5.1                  | 11,252          | 8,567          | 4.1               |

<sup>\*</sup>Indices expressed as total returns. All others are price returns.

| Equity Indices - Total Return  | 1-week<br>Change<br>(%) | 1-month<br>Change<br>(%) | 3-month<br>Change<br>(%) | YTD<br>Change<br>(%) | 1-year<br>Change<br>(%) | 3-year<br>Change<br>(%) | 5-year<br>Change<br>(%) |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Global equities                | 0.1                     | 3.4                      | 17.7                     | 11.1                 | 14.0                    | 61.9                    | 85.3                    |
| US equities                    | 0.0                     | 4.3                      | 17.8                     | 7.4                  | 14.1                    | 69.0                    | 105.8                   |
| Europe equities                | 1.3                     | 2.1                      | 18.3                     | 25.3                 | 17.0                    | 67.3                    | 73.8                    |
| Asia Pacific ex Japan equities | 0.3                     | 1.9                      | 20.1                     | 15.1                 | 12.6                    | 35.2                    | 33.0                    |
| Japan equities                 | -2.2                    | -0.7                     | 12.0                     | 8.0                  | 3.3                     | 45.2                    | 47.0                    |
| Latam equities                 | -4.2                    | 0.4                      | 17.6                     | 27.2                 | 4.6                     | 40.3                    | 56.8                    |
| Emerging Markets equities      | 0.0                     | 2.2                      | 18.9                     | 16.3                 | 11.9                    | 35.4                    | 30.1                    |

All total returns quoted in USD terms and subject to one-day lag.
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## Market data

|  |        | 1-week<br>Change | 1-month<br>Change | 3-month<br>Change | 1-year<br>Change | YTD<br>Change |
|--|--------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Bond indices - Total Return                            | Close  | (%)              | (%)               | (%)               | (%)              | (%)           |
| BarCap GlobalAgg (Hedged in USD)                       | 595    | -0.2             | 0.4               | 1.8               | 4.9              | 2.5           |
| JPM EMBI Global  | 949.4  | -0.1             | 1.6               | 6.8               | 8.2              | 5.8           |
| BarCap US Corporate Index (USD)                        | 3415.4 | -0.1             | 1.1               | 4.1               | 5.0              | 3.8           |
| BarCap Euro Corporate Index (Eur)                      | 263.2  | -0.3             | 0.3               | 2.0               | 5.4              | 2.0           |
| BarCap Global High Yield (Hedged in USD)               | 658.1  | 0.0              | 1.3               | 6.6               | 10.7             | 5.0           |
| Markit iBoxx Asia ex-Japan Bond Index (USD)            | 233.7  | 0.0              | 0.8               | 3.4               | 5.9              | 3.8           |
| Markit iBoxx Asia ex-Japan High-Yield Bond Index (USD) | 272    | -0.1             | 1.0               | 4.8               | 7.3              | 4.4           |

Total return includes income from dividends and interest as well as appreciation or depreciation in the price of an asset over the given period.

|                     |        | 1-week | 1-month | 3-months | 1-year | Year End | 52-week | 52-week | 1-week<br>Change |
|---------------------|--------|--------|---------|----------|--------|----------|---------|---------|------------------|
| Currencies (vs USD) | Latest | Ago    | Ago     | Ago      | Ago    | 2024     | High    | Low     | (%)              |
| Developed markets   |        |        |         |          |        |          |         |         |                  |
| EUR/USD             | 1.17   | 1.18   | 1.15    | 1.14     | 1.09   | 1.04     | 1.18    | 1.01    | -0.9             |
| GBP/USD             | 1.35   | 1.37   | 1.35    | 1.31     | 1.29   | 1.25     | 1.38    | 1.21    | -0.8             |
| CHF/USD             | 1.25   | 1.26   | 1.22    | 1.23     | 1.12   | 1.10     | 1.27    | 1.09    | -0.4             |
| CAD                 | 1.37   | 1.36   | 1.37    | 1.39     | 1.36   | 1.44     | 1.48    | 1.34    | -0.7             |
| JPY                 | 147    | 144    | 145     | 144      | 159    | 157      | 159     | 140     | -1.7             |
| AUD/USD             | 0.66   | 0.66   | 0.65    | 0.63     | 0.68   | 0.62     | 0.69    | 0.59    | 0.3              |
| NZD/USD             | 0.60   | 0.61   | 0.60    | 0.58     | 0.61   | 0.56     | 0.64    | 0.55    | -0.8             |
| Asia                |        |        |         |          |        |          |         |         |                  |
| HKD                 | 7.85   | 7.85   | 7.85    | 7.75     | 7.81   | 7.77     | 7.85    | 7.75    | 0.0              |
| CNY                 | 7.17   | 7.17   | 7.19    | 7.29     | 7.26   | 7.30     | 7.35    | 7.01    | -0.1             |
| INR                 | 85.9   | 85.4   | 85.5    | 86.1     | 83.6   | 85.6     | 88.0    | 83.4    | -0.6             |
| MYR                 | 4.26   | 4.22   | 4.24    | 4.42     | 4.69   | 4.47     | 4.69    | 4.09    | -0.8             |
| KRW                 | 1377   | 1363   | 1369    | 1422     | 1372   | 1472     | 1487    | 1303    | -1.0             |
| TWD                 | 29.2   | 28.9   | 29.9    | 32.7     | 32.5   | 32.8     | 33.3    | 28.8    | -1.1             |
| Latam               |        |        |         |          |        |          |         |         |                  |
| BRL                 | 5.53   | 5.42   | 5.54    | 5.87     | 5.44   | 6.18     | 6.32    | 5.38    | -2.0             |
| COP                 | 4011   | 3984   | 4180    | 4277     | 3978   | 4406     | 4566    | 3916    | -0.7             |
| MXN                 | 18.7   | 18.6   | 18.9    | 20.3     | 17.8   | 20.8     | 21.3    | 17.6    | -0.2             |
| ARS                 | 1256   | 1241   | 1182    | 1075     | 919    | 1031     | 1270    | 919     | -1.2             |
| EEMEA               |        |        |         |          |        |          |         |         |                  |
| RUB                 | 77.8   | 78.8   | 79.5    | 83.3     | 87.7   | 113.5    | 115.1   | 74.1    | 1.2              |
| ZAR                 | 17.8   | 17.6   | 17.7    | 19.2     | 18.0   | 18.8     | 19.9    | 17.0    | -1.1             |
| TRY                 | 40.2   | 39.9   | 39.2    | 37.9     | 32.8   | 35.4     | 41.3    | 32.8    | -0.7             |

| Bonds                   | Close | 1-week<br>Ago | 1-month<br>Ago | 3-months<br>Ago | 1-year<br>Ago | Year End<br>2024 | 1-week basis<br>point<br>change* |
|-------------------------|-------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|----------------------------------|
| US Treasury yields (%)  | 01000 | Ago           | Ago            | Ago             | Ago           | 2024             | change                           |
| 3-Month                 | 4.34  | 4.35          | 4.35           | 4.31            | 5.34          | 4.31             | -1                               |
| 2-Year                  | 3.87  | 3.88          | 3.95           | 3.96            | 4.51          | 4.24             | -1                               |
| 5-Year                  | 3.94  | 3.94          | 4.02           | 4.16            | 4.14          | 4.38             | 0                                |
| 10-Year                 | 4.36  | 4.35          | 4.42           | 4.49            | 4.21          | 4.57             | 1                                |
| 30-Year                 | 4.88  | 4.86          | 4.92           | 4.87            | 4.42          | 4.78             | 2                                |
| 10-year bond yields (%) |       |               |                |                 |               |                  |                                  |
| Japan                   | 1.50  | 1.43          | 1.46           | 1.30            | 1.08          | 1.09             | 7                                |
| UK                      | 4.59  | 4.55          | 4.55           | 4.75            | 4.07          | 4.56             | 4                                |
| Germany                 | 2.70  | 2.61          | 2.53           | 2.57            | 2.46          | 2.36             | 10                               |
| France                  | 3.40  | 3.28          | 3.23           | 3.35            | 3.12          | 3.19             | 12                               |
| Italy                   | 3.56  | 3.44          | 3.45           | 3.81            | 3.78          | 3.52             | 12                               |
| Spain                   | 3.32  | 3.22          | 3.12           | 3.30            | 3.23          | 3.06             | 10                               |
| China                   | 1.67  | 1.65          | 1.69           | 1.66            | 2.26          | 1.68             | 2                                |
| Australia               | 4.32  | 4.19          | 4.28           | 4.40            | 4.37          | 4.36             | 13                               |
| Canada                  | 3.41  | 3.35          | 3.35           | 3.26            | 3.43          | 3.23             | 5                                |

<sup>\*</sup>Numbers may not add up due to rounding.

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|---------------------------------------|-------|--------|---------|---------|--------|--------|---------|---------|
|                                       |       | Change | Change  | Change  | Change | Change | 52-week | 52-week |
| Commodities                           |       | (%)    | (%)     | (%)     | (%)    | (%)    | High    | Low     |
| Gold                                  | 3,333 | -0.1   | -0.7    | 2.9     | 38.0   | 27.0   | 3,500   | 2,353   |
| Brent Oil                             | 68.9  | 0.8    | -0.1    | 9.3     | -12.7  | -5.2   | 79      | 58      |
| WTI Crude Oil                         | 66.9  | -0.2   | 0.0     | 11.7    | -10.2  | -3.8   | 78      | 54      |
| R/J CRB Futures Index                 | 300.4 | 0.1    | -0.9    | 3.4     | 3.4    | 1.2    | 317     | 265     |
| LME Copper                            | 9,701 | -1.7   | 0.5     | 6.0     | -0.9   | 10.6   | 10,165  | 8,105   |

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