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MACROECONOMIC NEWS

US Economy - Federal Reserve minutes revealed concerns over inflation potentially slowing due to Trump's proposed tariffs and deportations, with policymakers cautioning that achieving the 2% target may take longer. While a 2024 rate cut of 1% was noted, members opted for a "careful" approach to further reductions this year. Markets now expect no rate changes until at least May, with attention shifting to upcoming U.S. employment data for further economic insights.

China's Economy - China's consumer prices rose just 0.2% in 2024, matching the previous year's pace and falling far short of the 3% target, as weak domestic demand persisted despite government stimulus. December's CPI grew by only 0.1% year-on-year, with food prices acting as the main drag. Producer prices contracted 2.3% in December, marking 27 consecutive months of factory-gate deflation. Analysts expect inflation to rebound slightly during Lunar New Year but remain subdued in 2025.

Cryptocurrency Market - Bitcoin fell 1.2% on Thursday, extending recent losses amid hawkish signals from the Federal Reserve and news of a potential USD 6.5 billion Bitcoin sale by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ). The DOJ, granted court approval to sell 69,370 Bitcoin seized from Silk Road in 2014, added significant selling pressure on the cryptocurrency, erasing this year's gains. Broader crypto markets also declined as the Fed's December minutes signaled slower rate cuts in 2025, dampening risk appetite. Altcoins like Ether, XRP, and Solana also retreated, reflecting a wider pullback in speculative assets.

Oil Price - Oil prices held steady on Thursday after a more than 1% drop the previous day, pressured by a stronger dollar and a larger-than-expected rise in U.S. fuel inventories. U.S. crude futures remained flat at USD 73.34/barrel, while Brent hovered at USD 76.17. Gasoline stocks surged by 6.3 million barrels last week, far exceeding the forecasted 1.5 million-barrel build, according to the EIA.

Equity Markets

	Closing	% Change
Dow Jones	42,635	0.25
NASDAQ	19,479	-0.06
S&P 500	5,918	0.16
MSCI excl. Jap	695	-0.59
Nikkei	39,354	-0.63
Shanghai Comp	3,215	0.12
Hang Seng	19,325	0.44
STI	3,808	-1.41
JCI	7,065	-0.22
Indo ETF (IDX)	15	-0.27
Indo ETF (EIDO)	18	-0.11

Currency

	Closing	Last Trade
US\$ - IDR	16,217	16,217
US\$ - Yen	158.14	158.11
Euro - US\$	1.0300	1.0302
US\$ - SG\$	1.368	1.368

Commodities

	Last	Price Chg	%Chg
Oil NYMEX	74.1	1.1	1.4
Oil Brent	77.1	1.18	1.6
Coal Newcastle	115.8	-1.7	-1.45
Nickel	15482	31	0.2
Tin	29852	-227	-0.8
Gold	2671	12.5	0.5
CPO Rott	1295		
CPO Malay	4291	-38	-0.9

Indo Gov. Bond yields

	Last	Yield Chg	%Chg
1 year	7.165	0.00	-0.028
3 year	7.079	0.005	0.071
5 year	7.115	0.001	0.014
10 year	7.207	0	0
15 year	7.241	0.005	0.069
30 year	7.164	0.01	0.112

CORPORATE NEWS

WIKA - PT Wijaya Karya (Persero) by November 2024, secured new contracts worth IDR 19.96 trillion, a 17% increase from October, bringing its total contracts to IDR 64.37 trillion. The majority of new contracts came from infrastructure and building projects (37%), followed by supporting industries (30%), EPC (20%), and property (12%). WIKA is working on 73 projects nationwide, including 39 National Strategic Projects and 8 IKN projects. Key new contracts include the EPC Coal Handling Train Loading System in South Sumatra (IDR 1.8 trillion) and the IKN Toll Road Section 1B (IDR 675 billion), with cash-focused payment schemes. CEO Agung Budi Waskito emphasized WIKA's commitment to ESG, project execution, and strengthening its EPC portfolio to support Indonesia's industrialization under President Prabowo Subianto's agenda.

BYAN - PT Bayan Resources allocated USD 2.49 million for exploration in Q4 2024 across several blocks: West Block, Sepaso Block, Beruang Block, and the southern part of the concession. The West Block accounted for USD 2.28 million, with 2D and 3D vibroseis methods producing 6,322 vibro points. Sepaso and Beruang Blocks spent USD 81,870 on 47 deep drill points (4,805 meters total), while the southern concession used USD 125,920 for 48 shallow and 9 deep drill points (4,505.85 meters total), both employing open-hole and coring methods.

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