

## MARKET INDICATORS

As of October 2, 2017

Index/ Bond	Index Level/Yield	DoD Change	DoD % Change
PSEi	8,256.28	84.85	1.04%
Dow Jones	22,557.60	152.51	0.68%
NASDAQ	6,516.72	20.76	0.32%
S&P500	2,529.12	9.76	0.39%
MSCI Asia ex-Japan	662.78	1.80	0.27%
MSCI Emerging Market	1,082.97	1.25	0.12%
5Yr FXTN	4.61	-2 bps	
10 Yr US Treasury	2.34	1 bps	
USD/PHP	51.09	0.22	0.44%

Source: Bloomberg



## News in the Philippines

### PH's Slow PMI Growth Not to Hamper Economic Growth

- The latest Philippines Manufacturing Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) rose to 50.8 in September, remaining above the 50-mark showing overall increase in manufacturing activity. Despite the growth, IHS Markit, a global research firm, says that the current PMI shows a "subdued" growth in the manufacturing sector, which can be attributed to the weak performance of the peso. In spite of this, Socioeconomic Planning Secretary Ernesto M. Pernia remains optimistic that the country's economy will continue to grow during the second half of the year, during an interview on Monday. According to him, increased spending, improvement in agriculture, export, and a better global economic outlook will support the country's economic growth.

### Local Bond Market

- The yield of the benchmark 5-year bond closed at 4.61, falling 2 bps during yesterday's session.
- The yields of bonds traded flat throughout yesterday's session with 4 yields rising, 3 yields falling and 4 yields remaining stagnant.

### Philippine Stocks

- Local stocks bounced back to the 8,200-mark yesterday as influenced by strong manufacturing data from China and Japan. Locally, the rise in performance was led by the holding firm sub-index, financial, and property sectors. On the other hand, the industrial, services, and mining/oil sectors fell. The PSEI gained 1.04% or 84.85 points to end the day at 8,256.28.

### Philippine Peso

- The local peso weakened against the dollar on Monday as news about implementation of another interest rate hike to be implemented this year pushed the dollar up. The peso closed the day at PHP 51.09.



## News around the World

### Thailand's CPI up by 0.86% YoY in September

- Thailand's Consumer Price Index (CPI) grew for three consecutive months in September year-on-year (YoY), exceeding the expected rate rise of 0.45% according to a Reuters' poll. Despite the steady increase, the rate is still below the Thai central bank's target rate. Having flexibility in the implementation of monetary policy, the Bank of Thailand (BOT) forecasts inflation for 2017 to be at 0.6%, lower than the target range of one to four percent. Currently, the inflation policy is at 1.5%, maintained by state price controls, subsidies and soft domestic demand.

### US Market

- U.S. stocks rose on Monday as investor confidence grew because of strong manufacturing data in August that hit a 13-year peak. Investors showed a preference for shares in health care companies and banks, leading the surge. On the other hand, the broader market fought for gains leading to the S&P 500 Index and Nasdaq slip. The S&P 500 ended at 2,529.12 climbing 0.39% or 9.76 points. The Dow Jones gained 152.51 points or 0.68% to end at 22,557.60. The NASDAQ went up by 20.76 points or 0.32% to close at 6,516.72.

### Asian Stocks

- Asian equity indices rose on Monday despite South Korea, China, India and Hong Kong markets being closed for a holiday. Significant growth in the Chinese manufacturing sector released during the weekend influenced the rise. The MSCI Asia-Ex Japan Index rose 0.27% or 1.80 points to close at 662.78.

### Emerging Markets

- Emerging market stocks rose on Monday due to strong Chinese manufacturing data registering the highest growth since 2012. The MSCI Emerging Markets Index rose 0.12% or 1.25 points, closing at 1,082.97.