Market Performance

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Market Performance 2024 (Global) Developed markets outperformed Asia, with Malaysia posting double-digit growth

MAJOR INDEX	T12M PE (x)	DEC	4Q	2024
US				
Nasdaq Composite Index	36.53	0.48%	6.17%	28.64%
S&P 500 Index	26.47	-2.50%	2.07%	23.31%
Dow Jones Indus. Avg	23.21	-5.27%	0.51%	12.88%
Europe				
Germany DAX Index	16.61	1.44%	3.02%	18.85%
Spain IBEX 35 Index	11.28	-0.40%	-2.38%	14.78%
EURO Stoxx 50 PR	14.33	1.91%	-2.09%	8.28%
FTSE 100 Index LSE	13.52	-1.38%	-0.78%	5.69%
France CAC 40 Index	14.07	2.01%	-3.34%	-2.15%
Asia/Pacific				
Taiwan Taiex Index	21.66	3.47%	3.65%	28.47%
Nikkei 225	18.75	4.41%	5.21%	19.22%
Hang Seng Index	9.99	3.28%	-5.08%	17.67%
Straits Times Index Sti	13.57	1.29%	5.64%	16.89%
FTSE Bursa Malaysia KLCI	15.16	3.01%	-0.40%	12.90%
Shanghai SE Composite	13.58	0.76%	0.46%	12.67%
Vietnam VN Index	14.80	1.30%	-1.64%	12.11%
India Nifty 50 Index	22.20	-2.02%	-8.39%	8.80%
PSEI Philippine Se Idx	11.43	-1.29%	-10.23%	1.22%
Stock Exch of Thai Index	18.88	-1.91%	-3.36%	-1.10%
Jakarta Composite Index	11.96	-0.48%	-5.95%	-2.65%
Kospi Index	11.37	-2.30%	-7.47%	-9.63%

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MSCI				
MSCI World	22.00	-2.68%	-0.41%	17.00%
MSCI Malaysia	15.52	3.22%	0.67%	12.82%
MSCI AC Asia x Japan	14.84	0.17%	-7.56%	9.85%
MSCI AC Asean PR USD	14.51	-1.12%	-6.27%	7.67%
MSCI EM	13.74	-0.19%	-8.06%	5.16%
MSCI World Islamic Index	22.91	-3.46%	-3.89%	3.84%
MSCI AC Asia Islamic x Japan	15.00	-2.81%	-16.68%	-4.28%

Key observations:

- 1. The US maintained its leadership in market performance throughout 2024, though some profit-taking was seen in December.
- 2. Europe generally performed positively, with Germany's DAX Index closing with strong double-digit gains.
- 3. Within Asia, Taiwan, Japan, and Hong Kong outperformed, while Korea, Indonesia, and Thailand underperformed.
- 4. ASEAN markets experienced notable profit-taking in the fourth quarter after a strong surge in September, as the Fed initiated its easing cycle, but the strength of the Dollar caused a subsequent decline.
- 5. The MSCI Asia Islamic ex-Japan Index underperformed the MSCI Asia ex-Japan Index by 14.13% in 2024, as it has a higher weight in Korea, which lagged, and is underweight in Hong Kong/China, which outperformed. The MSCI Asia Islamic ex-Japan Index recorded double-digit losses in Q4, following the removal of TSMC from the benchmark, while India and Korea experienced sharp corrections during the same period.

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Market Performance 2024 (Local)

Malaysia saw robust performance, with KLCI gaining 12.90% in 2024

MALAYSIA	T12M PE (x)	DEC	4Q	2024
Construction	37.55	4.62%	8.74%	60.71%
Utilities	16.32	8.65%	4.42%	38.25%
Property	15.44	6.39%	5.56%	31.51%
Mid70	18.52	5.49%	8.29%	28.93%
Healthcare	42.16	10.51%	17.85%	25.92%
Finance	11.18	-0.10%	-0.62%	17.59%
FBM100	16.02	3.74%	2.03%	16.98%
FBMEmas	16.24	3.75%	2.14%	16.28%
Transport	19.79	1.85%	0.95%	14.70%
KLCI	15.16	3.01%	-0.40%	12.90%
REITs	19.55	1.19%	1.80%	11.41%
Small Cap	13.86	3.88%	3.49%	9.85%
Plantation	19.70	1.56%	6.54%	9.15%
Technology	45.76	11.11%	10.45%	2.51%
Industrial	32.80	3.62%	-0.29%	2.00%
Energy	14.44	1.31%	-2.77%	0.64%
Consumer	16.94	0.90%	-3.57%	-0.76%
Telco	19.52	2.68%	-3.58%	-4.44%

Key observations:

- 1. KLCI gained +12.90% in 2024, lagging behind the Mid70 (+28.93%) but ahead of Small Cap (+9.85%)
- 2. Top 3 performing sectors: Construction (+60.71%), Utilities (+38.25%) & Property (+31.51%)
- 3. Top 3 lagging sectors: Telco (-4.44%), Consumer (-0.76%) & Energy (+0.64%)
- 4. Malaysia's Tech and Healthcare sectors (mainly gloves) posted strong gains in December and Q4, driven by a stronger Dollar (export-oriented) and proposed tariffs on Chinese goods under Trump, which indirectly benefit Malaysia.



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