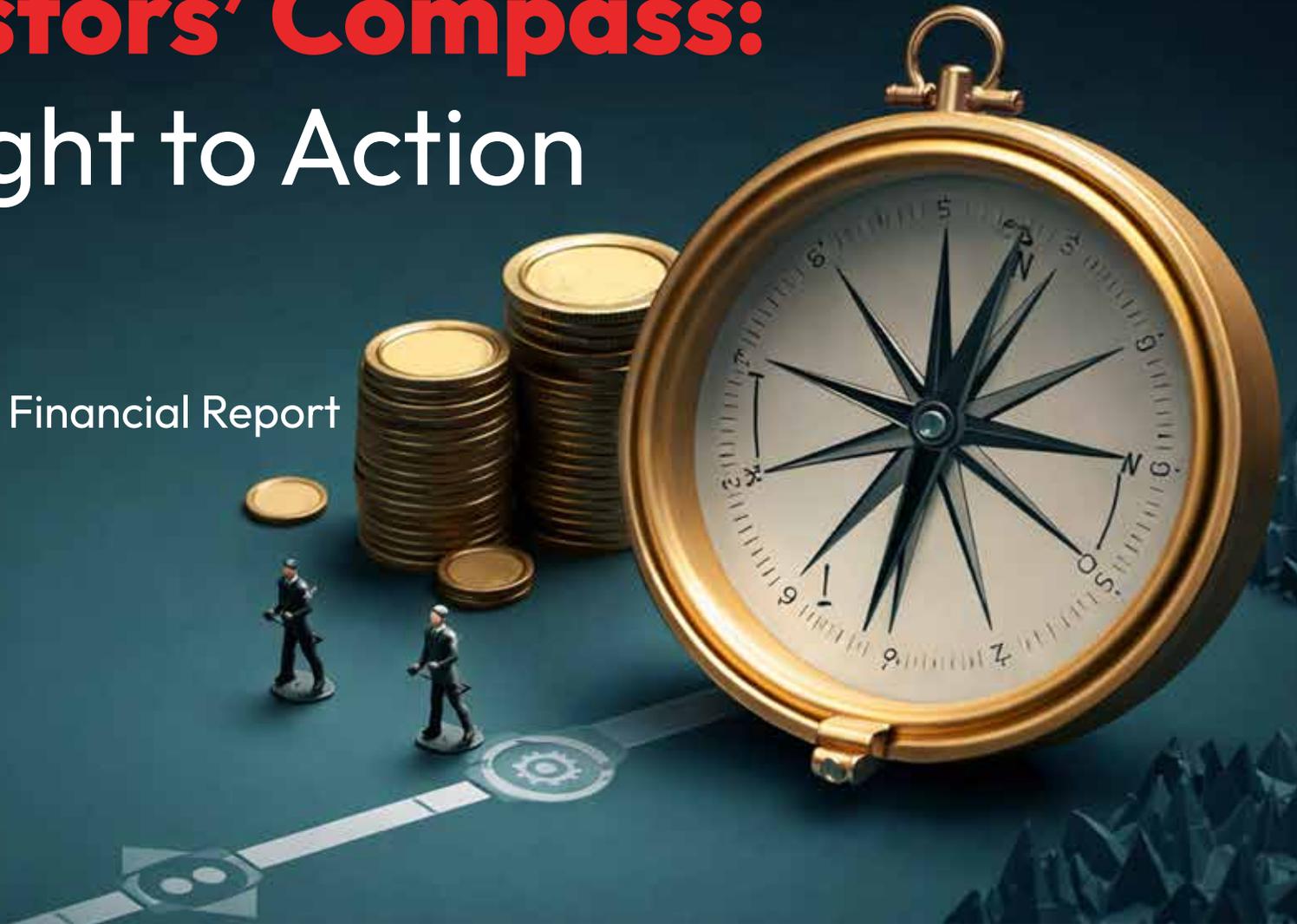


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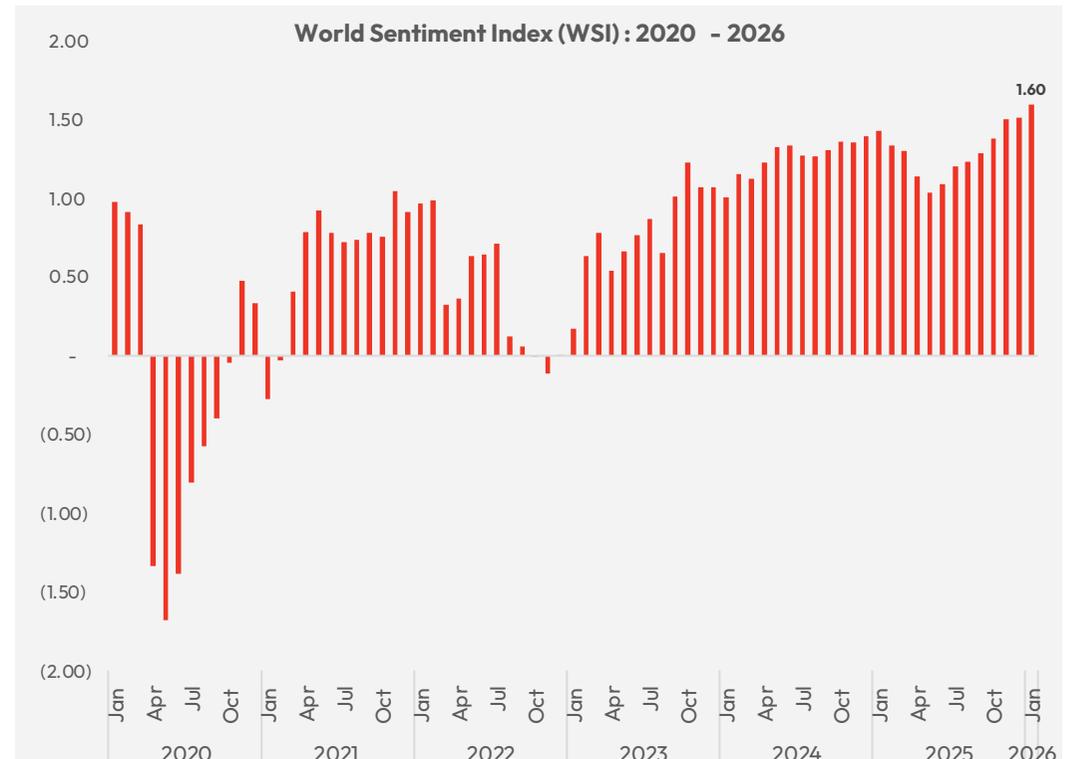
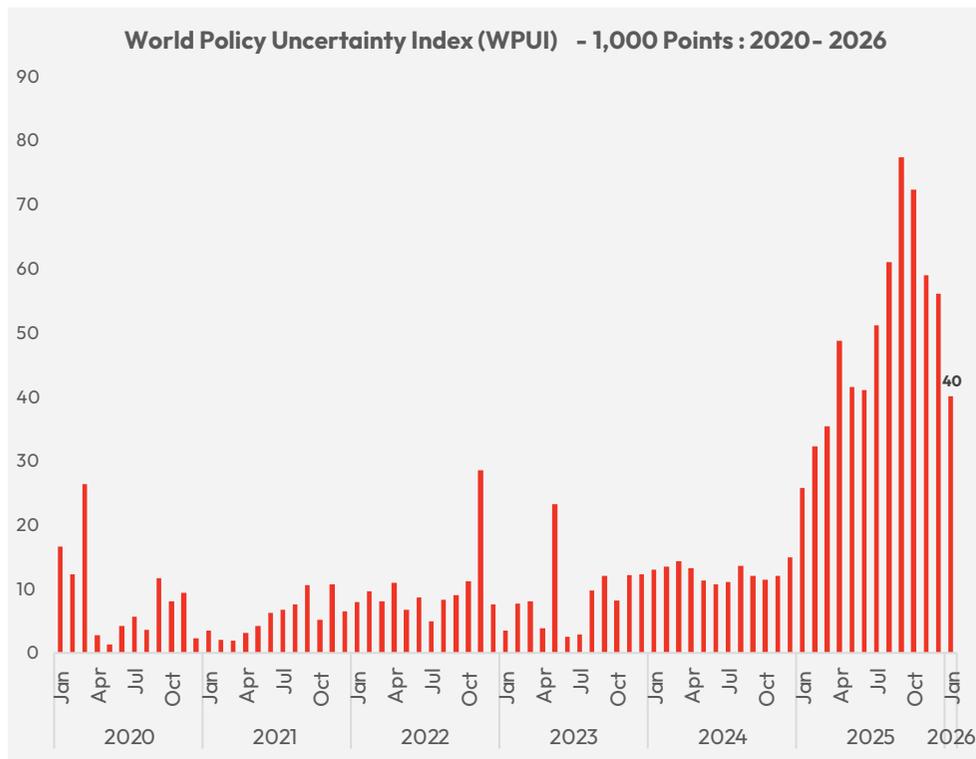
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The World Policy Uncertainty Index (WPU) fell sharply in January 2026 from the level observed in December 2025. Over the same period, the World Sentiment Index (WSI) recorded an increase, reflecting a noticeable improvement in global economic optimism. This strengthened sentiment is continuing to channel investment capital toward countries offering strong returns in both equity and fixed-income markets. Nigeria remains one of the beneficiaries of these sustained capital inflows



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Inflation Rate Movements and Forecasts in Select Countries

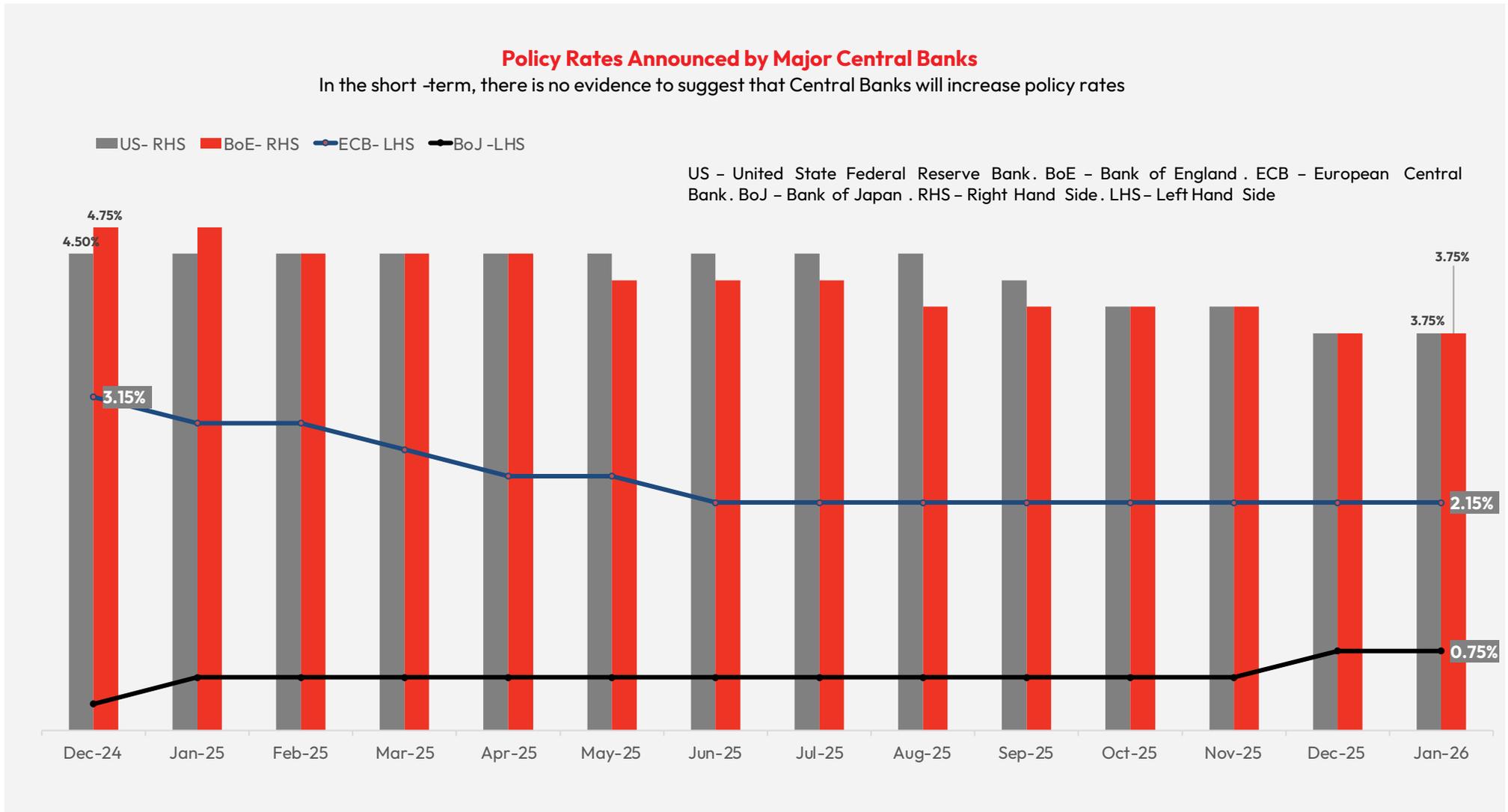
Inflation continued to ease across many countries into January 2026, with several economies recording substantial year-on-year declines. The broad moderation in inflation has created additional room for monetary easing, encouraging central banks to adopt or maintain more accommodative policy stances. The prevailing monetary policy environment is likely to remain supportive, with financial authorities across these economies expected to continue prioritizing growth and liquidity conditions over aggressive tightening.

Inflation Rate Movement and Forecast – January 2026

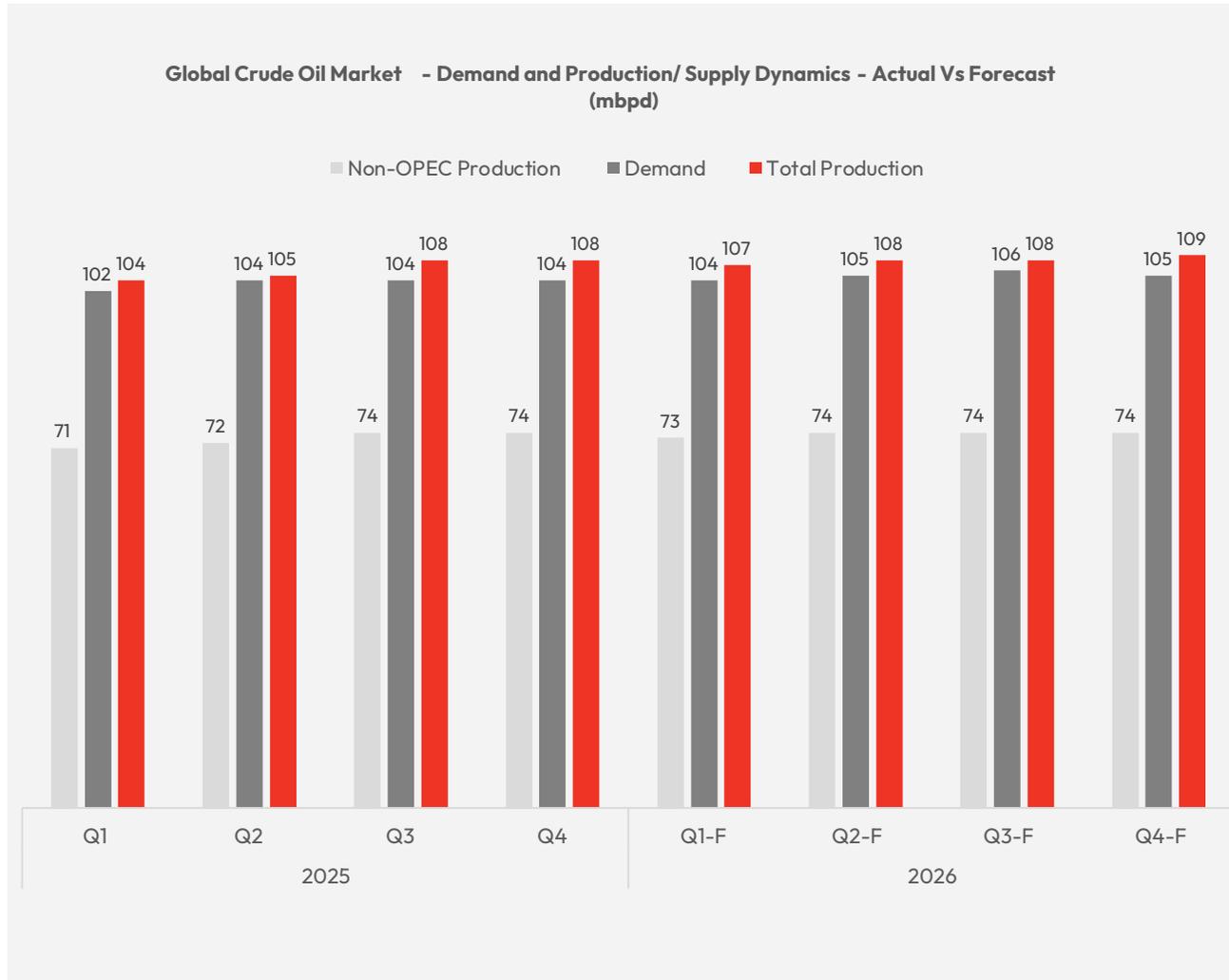
S/N	Countries	Jan.2025	Jan.2026	Change	2026 Inflation Forecast*	Policy Rate	Real Rate
1	Ghana	23.50%	3.80%	-19.70%	9.20%	21.5%	12.30%
2	Niger	4.16%	-9.40%	-13.56%	6.20%	4.2%	-2.05%
3	Nigeria	27.60%	15.10%	-12.50%	22%	27.0%	5.00%
4	Egypt	24.00%	11.90%	-12.10%	11.80%	15.3%	3.45%
5	Angola	26.48%	14.56%	-11.92%	16.30%	18.5%	2.20%
6	Guinea Bissau	5.40%	-2.80%	-8.20%	2%	5.3%	3.25%
7	Ethiopia	15.50%	9.80%	-5.70%	7%	15.0%	8.00%
8	Mali	6.10%	0.40%	-5.70%	2%	5.3%	3.25%
9	Burkina Faso	1.50%	-2.20%	-3.70%	2%	5.3%	3.25%
10	Algeria	4.60%	1.50%	-3.10%	3.50%	5.8%	2.25%
11	Morocco	2.00%	-0.8%	-2.80%	2.50%	3.0%	0.50%
12	Togo	2.20%	0.00%	-2.20%	2%	5.3%	3.25%
13	Japan	4.00%	2.10%	-1.90%	1.90%	0.1%	-1.80%
14	Senegal	1.80%	0.40%	-1.40%	2.20%	5.3%	3.05%
15	Euro Area	2.50%	1.70%	-0.80%	2.20%	2.5%	0.30%
16	United States	3.00%	2.70%	-0.30%	2.30%	5.5%	3.20%
17	India	4.26%	4.33%	0.07%	4.40%	6.5%	2.10%
18	Tanzania	3.10%	3.30%	0.20%	4.50%	9.8%	5.25%
19	Benin	0.60%	0.90%	0.30%	2.20%	5.3%	3.05%
20	Cote d'Ivoire	0%	0.30%	0.30%	2%	5.3%	3.25%
21	China	0.50%	0.80%	0.30%	2.10%	3.4%	1.25%
22	South Africa	3.20%	3.50%	0.30%	4.50%	7.8%	3.25%
23	United Kingdom	3.00%	3.40%	0.40%	1.80%	5.3%	3.45%
24	Kenya	3.30%	4.40%	1.10%	4.40%	12.5%	8.10%

Annual Average . The real rate is the difference between the current Monetary Policy Rate and the IMF forecast inflation rate for 2026

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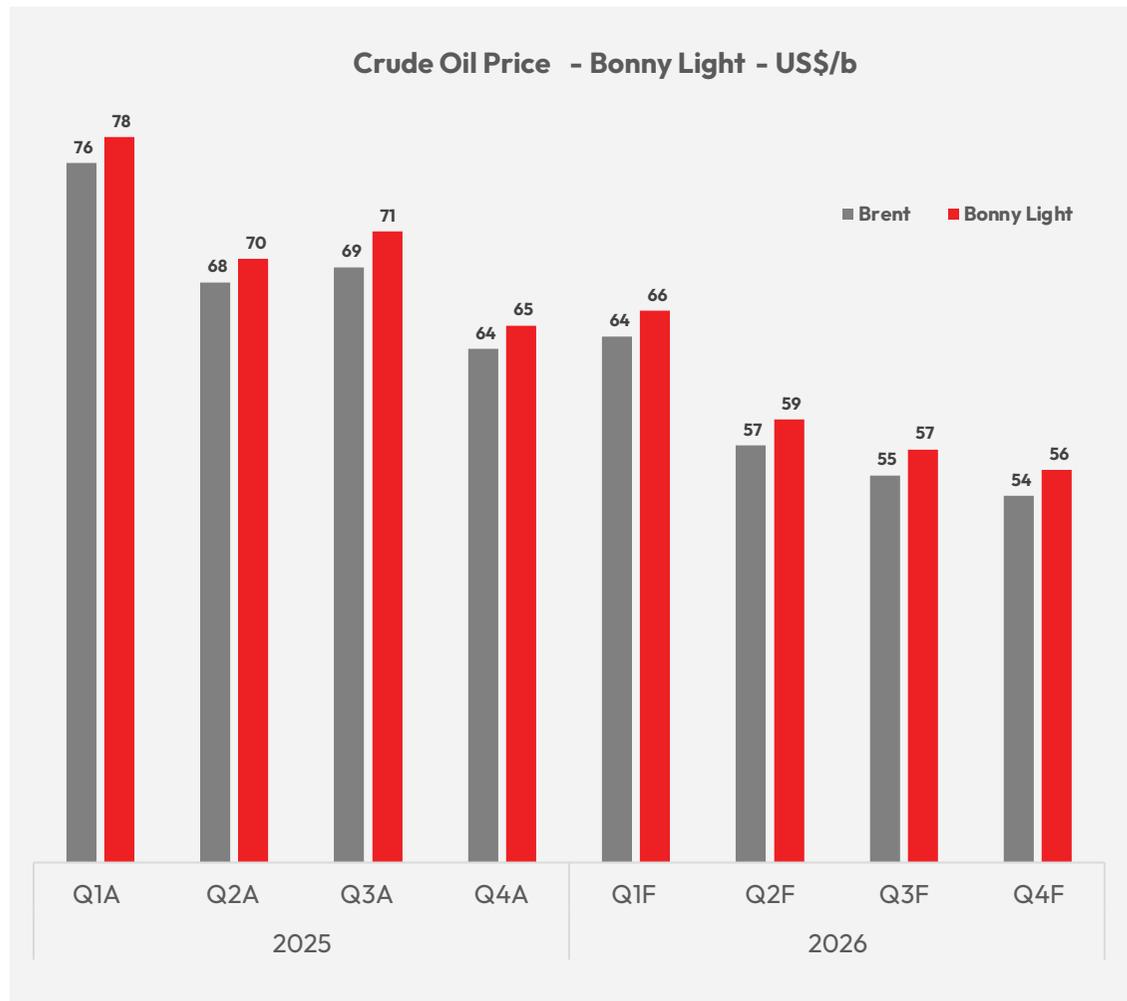
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Global Crude Oil Demand & Supply

- Global crude oil demand stays above 104 mbpd in 2026
- Non-OPEC production remains significantly lower at than global demand
- Meaning that OPEC+ will still be able to influence global price through production cut
- The demand gap in 2026 is projected to be larger than in 2025, reflecting weaker global demand due to slower expected growth in China
- The weak demand outlook is expected to moderate crude oil prices in 2026, particularly once the current geopolitical tensions in key oil-producing regions subside

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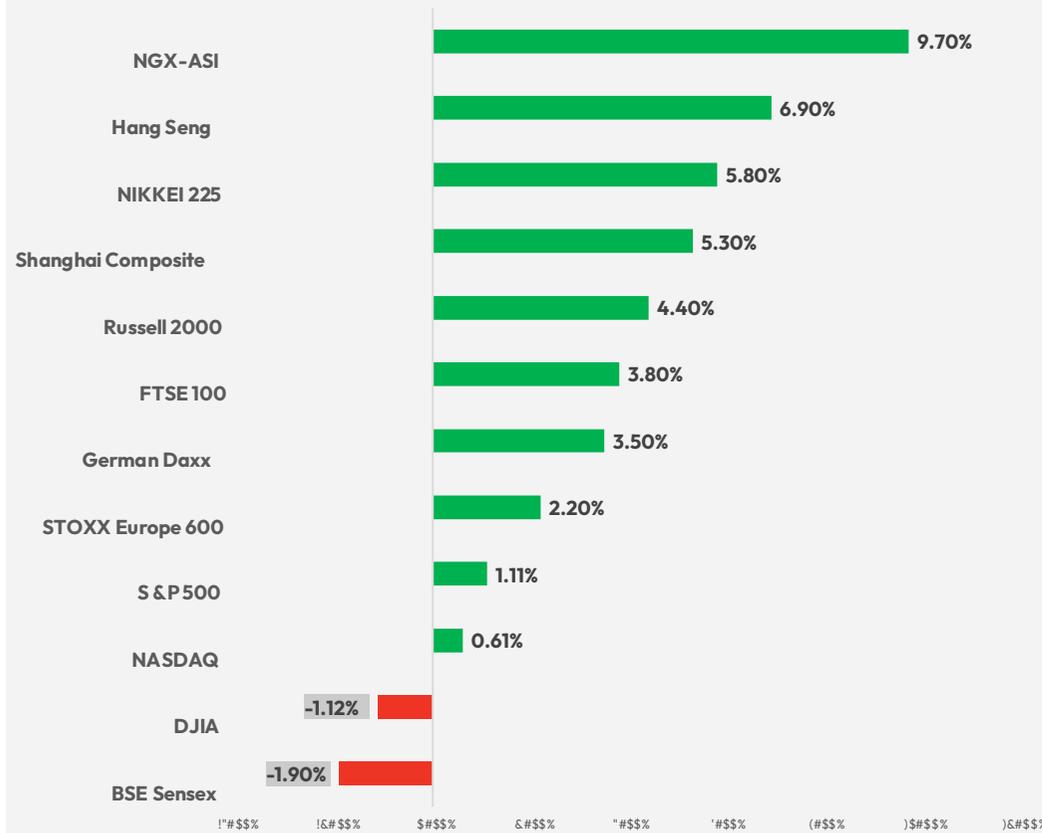
Crude Oil Price

- **The average crude oil price to drop in 2026 relative to 2025 due to weak demand from China**
- Price of crude oil bonny light averaged 68.05/b in January 2026
- The price is higher than initially projected and it was due to tension in Iran
- Oil producing companies will need to increase production and reduce production losses
- Despite the projected lower crude oil prices in 2026 compared with 2025, Nigeria is still expected to be a net gainer in 2026.
- This is due to the country's expanding domestic refining capacity, which strengthens value - addition and reduces reliance on imported refined products

GLOBAL ECONOMY [CONT'D]

Global Stock Market Performance - Month-to-Date(MTD)

Most of the global equity market closed green in January 2026 with Nigerian Exchange All Share Index (NGX - ASI) leading the chart. The drivers of the equities market performance are strong corporate per



Global Stock Market Performance Year Till Date (YTD)

Year to date, Nigeria leads on strong market optimism supported by rising external reserves, FX market reforms, and strong gains in heavyweight stocks owing majorly to strong earnings releases

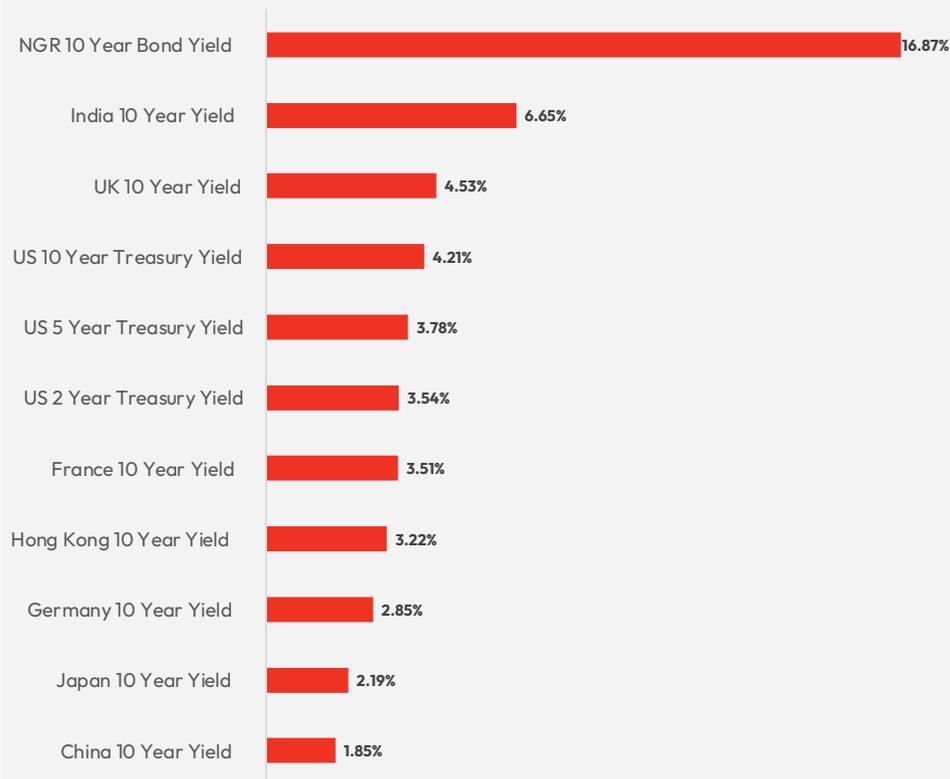
Global Indices Performance in 2026

Index	Countries	MTD	YTD
NGXASI	Nigeria	9.70%	9.70%
Hang Seng	Hong Kong	6.90%	6.90%
NIKKEI 225	Japan	5.80%	5.80%
Shanghai Comp.	China	5.30%	5.30%
Russell 2000	United States (Small Cap)	4.40%	4.40%
FTSE 100	United Kingdom	3.80%	3.80%
German Dax	Germany	3.50%	3.50%
STOXX Europe 600	17 European Countries	2.20%	2.20%
S&P 500	United States	1.11%	1.11%
NASDAQ	United States (Tech and Growth Stocks)	0.61%	0.61%
DJIA	United States	(1.12%)	(1.12%)
BSE Sensex	India	(1.90%)	(1.90%)

GLOBAL ECONOMY [CONT'D]

Government 10 -Year Bond Yields Performance

Given a stable/appreciation in the value of Naira and tax advantage, Nigerian Sovereign Bond remains most attractive among the countries we track. This means there are opportunities for carry trade. This could enc



Global Government Securities - Monthly Performance

The yields on most of the 10 -year sovereign Bond tracked in January increased except France Bond. This was due uncertainties around the path of monetary actions by Central Banks in major advanced countries

10-Year Securities	Yields		Change M/M
	December Average	January Average	
NGR 10 Year Bond Yield	16.36%	16.87%	0.51%
India 10 Year Yield	6.57%	6.65%	0.08%
Hong Kong 10 Year Yield	3.03%	3.22%	0.19%
China 10 Year Yield	1.85%	1.85%	0.00%
Japan 10 Year Yield	1.98%	2.19%	0.20%
UK 10 Year Yield	4.49%	4.53%	0.03%
France 10 Year Yield	3.56%	3.51%	(0.05%)
Germany 10 Year Yield	2.84%	2.85%	0.01%
US 2 Year Treasury Yield	3.51%	3.54%	0.03%
US 5 Year Treasury Yield	3.71%	3.78%	0.07%
US 10 Year Treasury Yield	4.14%	4.21%	0.07%

GLOBAL ECONOMY [CONT'D]

Commodities Price Monitor

Commodity	Unit Price	Price (US\$)	YTD	Drivers
Oil Crude – Bonny Light	US\$/bbl	73.92	16.56%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OPEC+ supply decisions tightening or easing global crude availability ▪ Geopolitical tensions (Middle East, Russia/Ukraine)
Oil Crude – Brent	US\$/bbl	68.78	13.03%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ OPEC+ supply decisions tightening or easing global crude availability ▪ Geopolitical tensions (Middle East, Russia/Ukraine) influencing risk premiums
Gold	US\$/toz	5,104.45	17.15%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Safe-haven demand driven by global economic and geopolitical uncertainty ▪ Lower interest -rate expectations, reducing the opportunity cost of holding gold
Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)	US\$/MMBtu	3.899	5.78%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Seasonal weather demand, especially spikes in winter heating needs ▪ Storage and supply constraints, including reduced drilling and LNG diversions
Coffee	US\$/lb	340	-2.51%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Weather disruptions in Brazil/Vietnam, affecting harvest size and quality ▪ Crop disease risks, particularly leaf -rust outbreaks impacting yields
Copper	US\$/lb	5.9525	4.26%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Industrial and construction demand, tied to global manufacturing cycles ▪ Energy transition needs, including EVs, batteries, and renewable infrastructure
Cocoa	US\$/MT	4,029.50	-33.56%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ West African supply shortages, driven by poor weather and aging trees ▪ Disease pressures (e.g., swollen -shoot virus), severely reducing harvest volumes

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Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA)



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Country	Rate Cut	New Policy Rate	Notes / Key Context
Egypt	1.00%	19.00%	Inflation dropped from 38% (Sep 2023) to 11.9% (Jan 2026)
Angola	1.00%	17.50%	Inflation slowed to 14.56% (Jan); greater currency stability
Ghana	2.50%	15.50%	Lowest since Feb 2022; inflation fell to 3.8% in Jan (13th month of decline)
Zambia	0.75%	13.50%	Second consecutive cut; inflation fell to 9.4% (Jan)
Mozambique	0.25%	9.25%	Lowest borrowing cost since 2015
Kenya	0.25%	8.75%	Tenth consecutive cut; inflation risks remain contained
Nigeria	0.50%	26.50%	Inflation fell from 15.15% to 15.10%

Recent Monetary Policy
Decisions in Sub-Saharan Africa
(SSA) Countries

Six African countries have cut interest rates in their first MPC meetings of 2026: Kenya, Egypt, Angola, Ghana, Mozambique, and Zambia.

Ghana is the most aggressive cutter with a 2.50% reduction to 15.5%, driven by a sharp fall in inflation to a near 30-year low

Egypt and Angola each cut by 1.00%, supported by easing inflation and improved FX stability

Zambia reduced its rate by 0.75% after inflation fell to a near three-year low

Mozambique and Kenya delivered smaller 0.25% cuts, reflecting more modest disinflation but stable price outlooks.

All easing decisions came on the back of falling inflation, stronger currencies, and improved external conditions across parts of Africa.

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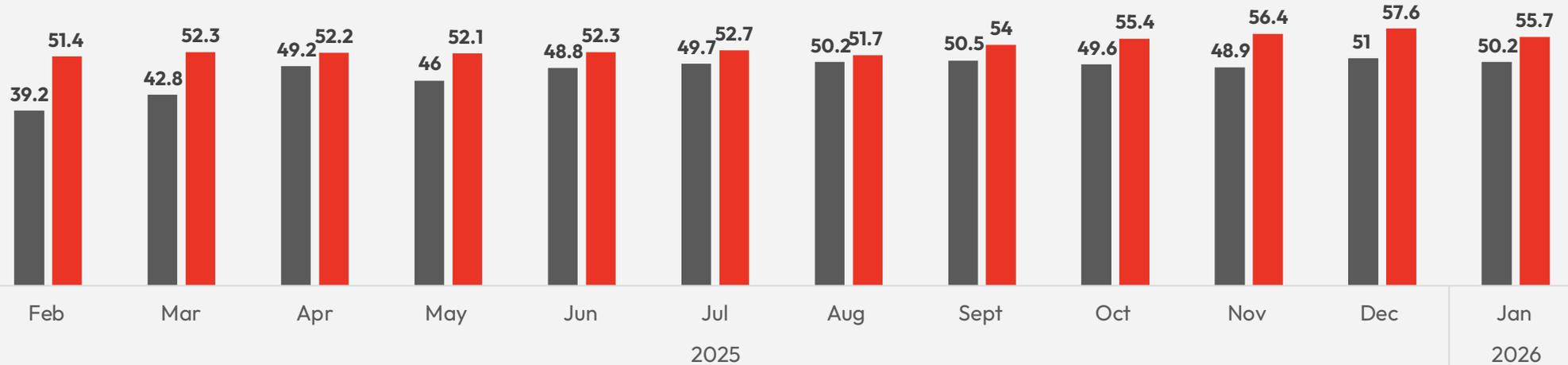
Nigerian Economic Outlook



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Composite Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI)

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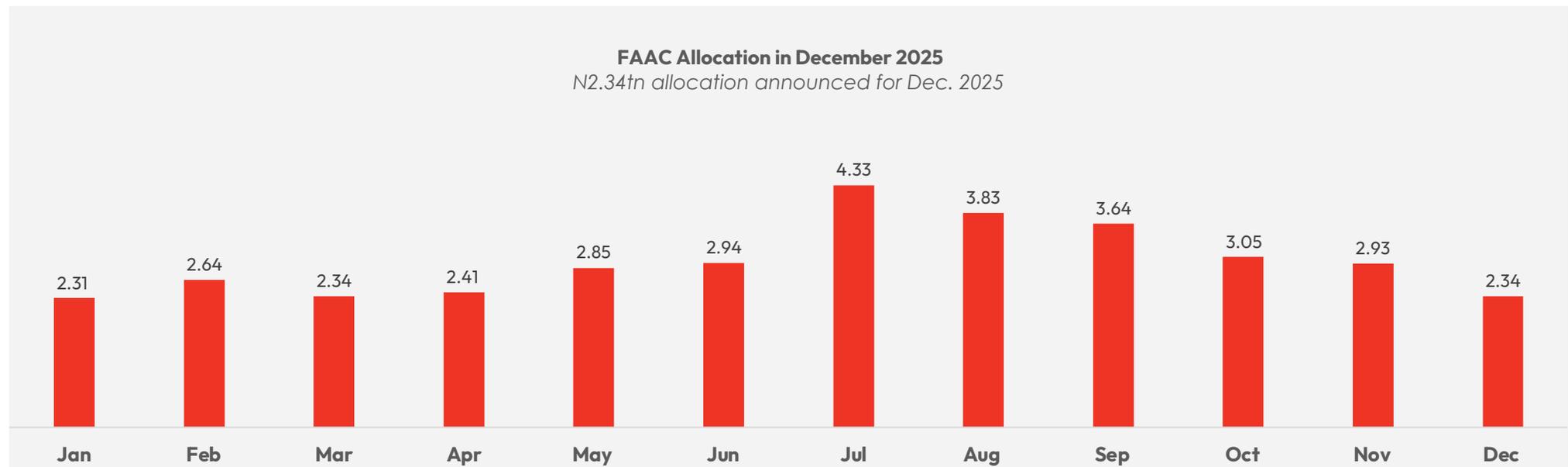
Business activity remained firmly expansionary throughout 2025, with the Composite PMI consistently above the 50-point threshold and showing significant improvement over 2024 levels across all months—indicating a stronger and more resilient operating environment.

Momentum strengthened toward year-end, with PMI readings rising from 52.3 in February to a peak of 57.6 in December 2025, reflecting robust demand conditions, improved supplier performance, and a broad-based recovery across manufacturing and services.

January 2026 opened on a positive note, with a PMI of 55.7, sustaining the strong expansion seen in late 2025 and suggesting continued business confidence supported by easing cost pressures and improved supply-chain efficiency.

PMI above 50 points signals economic expansion

■ NIGERIAN ECONOMIC OUTLOOK [CONT'D]



FAAC Allocation stood at ! 2.34 trillion in December 2025 from ! 2.93 trillion in November

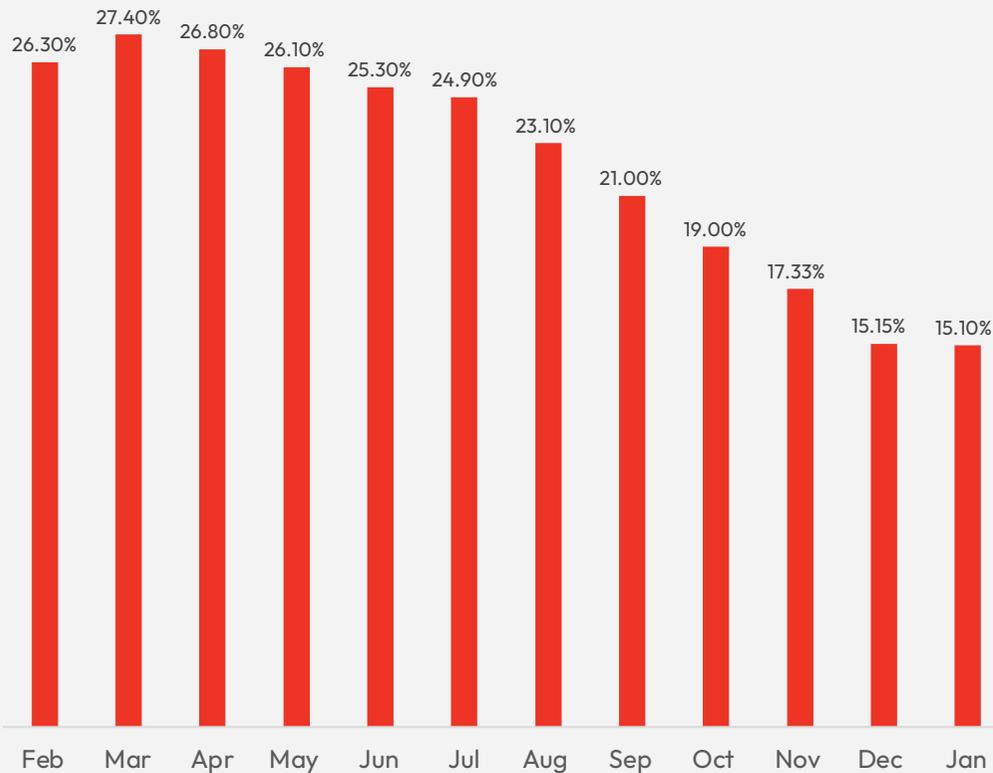
July 2025 recorded the peak at ! 4.33 trillion in 2025. This indicates stronger revenue inflows in the second half of the year, but marginally declined in August and subsequent months during the year

November allocation was ! 2.93 trillion, marginally lower than October and less than ! 3.64 trillion in September, 2025

Policy Implication
The sharp moderation in allocations toward year-end signals tightening fiscal space, increasing the likelihood of additional government borrowing and potential pressure on domestic liquidity conditions in 2026.

■ NIGERIAN ECONOMIC OUTLOOK [CONT'D]

Nigeria Headline Inflation Rate Jan 2025 – Jan 2026

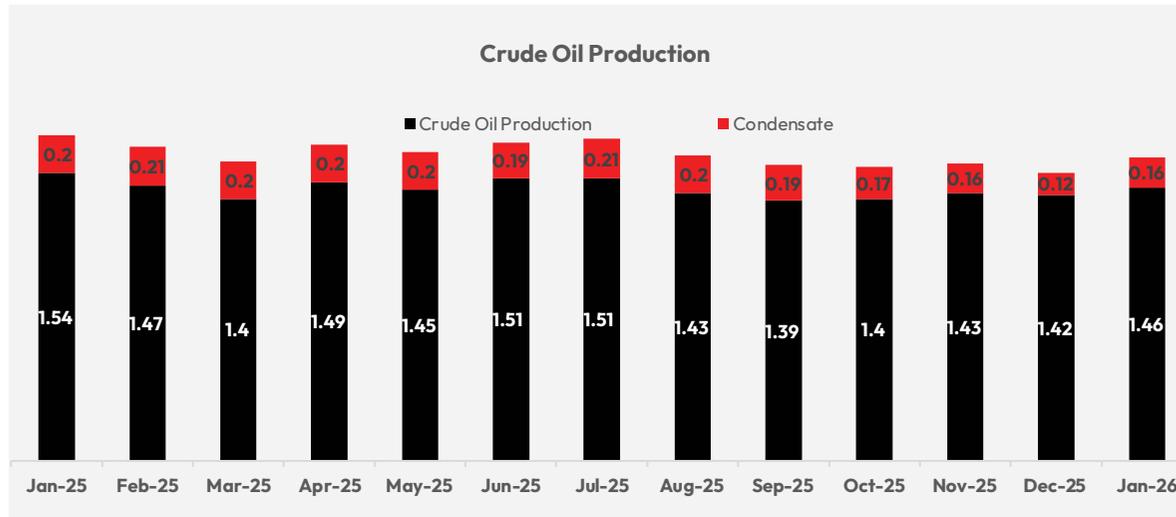


Inflation Highlights

	Dec -25	Jan-26	Change (%)
Headline Inflation	15.15%	15.10%	(0.05%)
Food Inflation	10.84%	8.89%	(1.95%)
Core Inflation	18.63%	17.72%	(0.91%)
Urban Inflation	14.85%	15.36%	0.51%
Rural Inflation	14.56%	14.44%	(0.12%)

- Nigeria’s headline inflation fell by 0.05% in January 2026 to settle at 15.10% (previously 15.15% in December 2025)
- Nigeria’s food inflation rate, the largest in the inflation basket also eased to 8.89% year-on-year in January 2026
- This marks its first single-digit reading in over five years
- Easing inflation can be attributed to reduction in staple food prices, stability in exchange rate, within the ₦1,400/\$ level, and fall in pump prices to ₦837
- We expect inflation to fall into single digits by May 2026, based on our current inflation forecast

NIGERIAN ECONOMIC OUTLOOK [CONT'D]



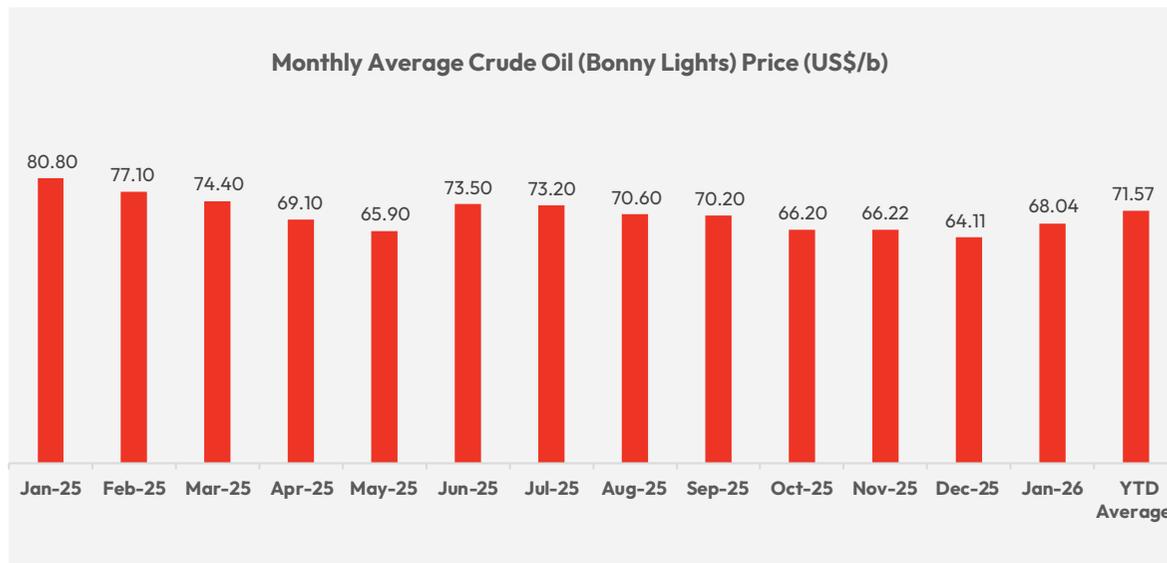
Crude oil production in Jan-2026 rose marginally from 1.42mbpd in Dec-2025 to 1.46mbpd
 Total production (inclusive of condensate) rose to 1.62mbpd

Crude Oil (Bonny Light) price averaged US\$68.04bpd YTD in January

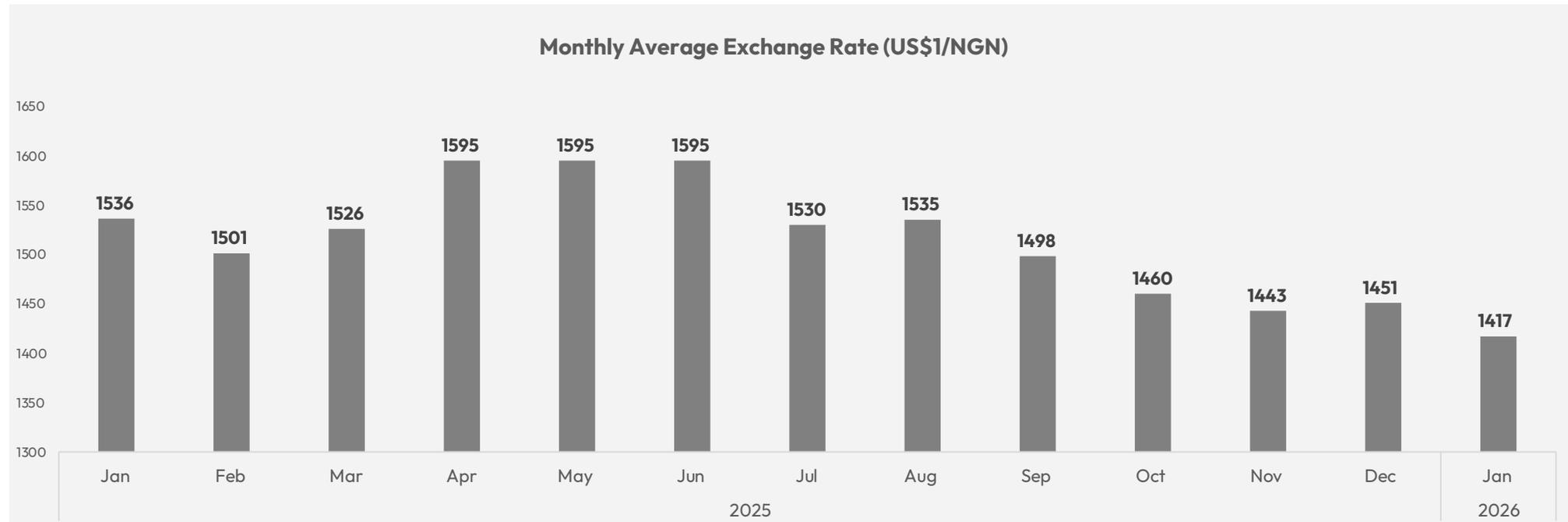
Crude Oil (Bonny Light) price averaged US\$71.57bpd in YTD 2026

This indicates a slight depreciation of average price of Bonny Light in January 2026 compared to December 2025

Crude oil production climbed slightly in January 2026



■ NIGERIAN ECONOMIC OUTLOOK [CONT'D]



Meanwhile, the monthly average exchange rate moderated from US\$1/₦1,451 in December to US\$1/₦1,417 in January 2026. The naira appreciated more strongly, with a 2.34% gain. This is a significant reversal from the slight uptick seen in December.

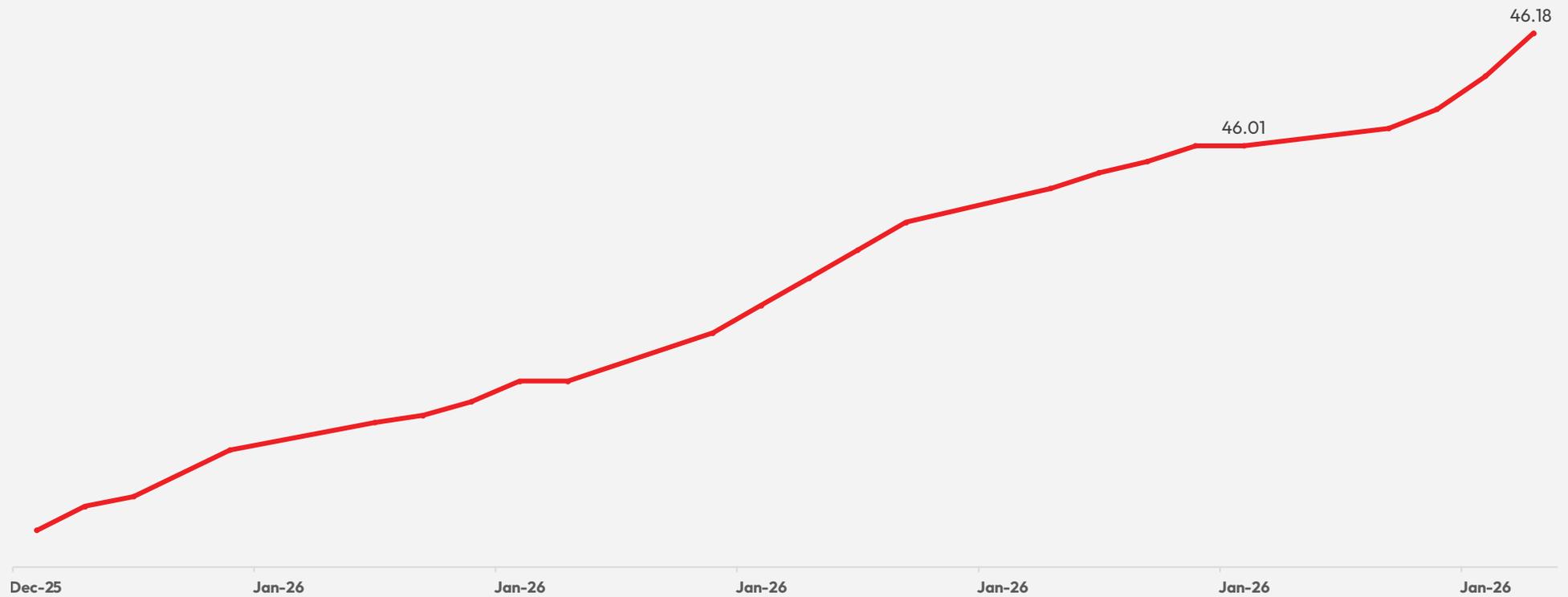
The Naira appreciated due to improved dollar supply, firm CBN action, and easing speculative pressure

Our end of year 2026 exchange rate forecast is US\$1/₦1,321

NIGERIAN ECONOMIC OUTLOOK [CONT'D]

External Reserves

30 Day Moving Average - US\$ Billion from Feb 2025 to Jan 2026, external reserves rose steadily, ending at US\$46.18bn, reflecting strong FX inflows and improved external liquidity. At this level, reserves can finance 9 -12 months of impor



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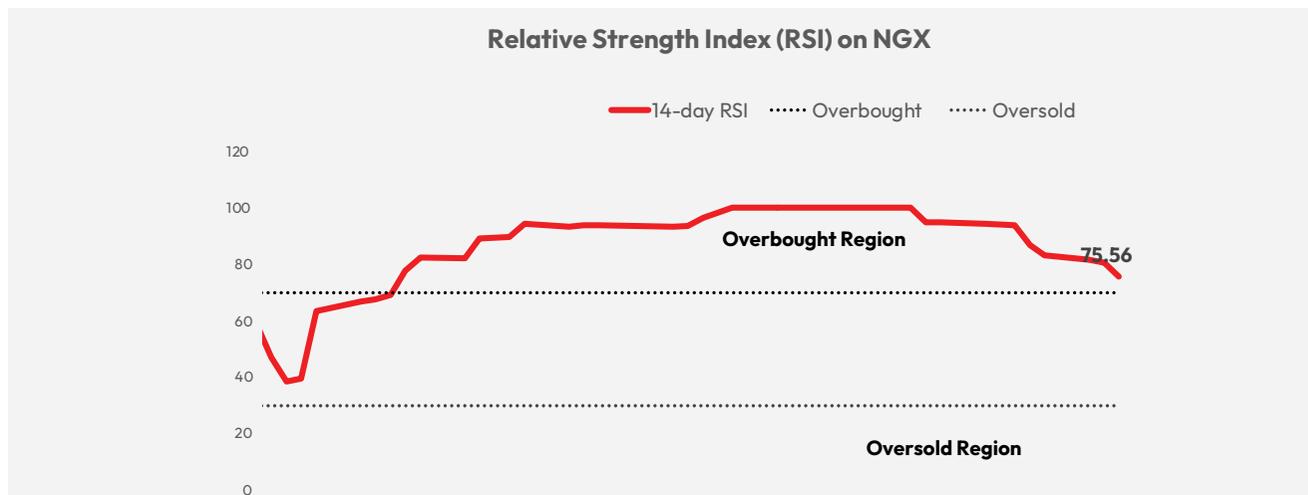
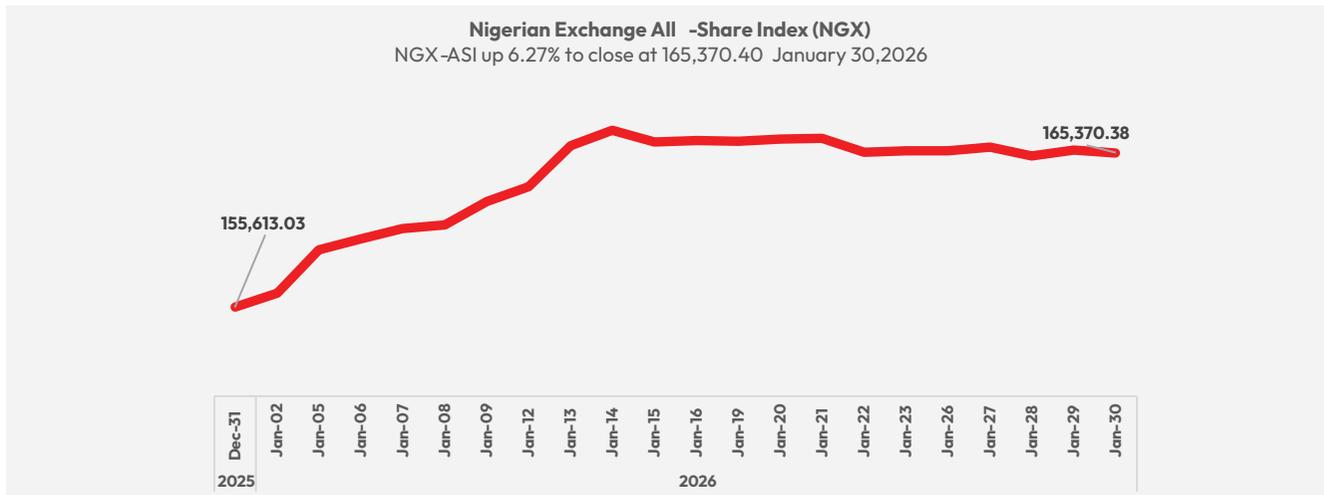
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Equity Market



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■ EQUITY MARKET [CONT'D]

Top Gainers (+) for the Week		Top Decliners (-) for the Week	
Stock	Gain	Stock	Weekly Decline
OMATEK	165.49%	DEAPCAP	(1.04%)
RTBRISCOE	124.57%	LIVESTOCK	(0.70%)
ABBEYBDS	46.88%	MCNICHOLS	(0.70%)
ZICHIS	9.69%	LIVINGTRUST	(0.45%)
HMCALL	8.25%	LEARNAFRCA	(0.09%)

NGX Indices Performance in 2026

Index	21-Dec	30-Jan	MTD	YTD
NGX-ASI	165,512.18	165,370.40	6.27%	6.27%
Insurance Index	1,318.54	1,329.16	11.76%	11.76%
Consumer Goods Index	4,074.83	4,103.12	3.21%	3.21%
Industrial Goods Index	5,980.65	5,985.87	5.45%	5.45%
Oil/Gas Index	3,036.96	3,038.79	13.80%	13.80%
Banking Index	1,631.99	1,621.77	6.99%	6.99%

■ EQUITY MARKET [CONT'D]

At the end of January equity market recorded Year Till Date (YTD) return of 6.27%

Market Capitalisation appreciated 0.18% to close at ₦106.153tn

Major drivers of the equity market were, ZICHIS, ABBEYBDS, RTBRISCOE

RSI closed the month at 75.56 points, in the overbought level

■ EQUITY MARKET [CONT'D]

Equity Market Outlook February 2026

We expect investors to continue to take position in fundamentally strong stocks ahead of full year earning declaration and corporate actions

The market is expected to shift from a broad-based rally to a more selective, earnings-driven phase, with performance increasingly differentiated by corporate fundamentals, sector resilience, and the quality of earnings delivery

The increase in PFA equity investment limits is expected to boost institutional demand for Nigerian equities, injecting fresh liquidity into the market.

With PFAs now able to deploy more capital into equity due to limited alternatives, the equity market may experience improved market depth

The combination of regulatory clarity, recapitalisation-driven balance sheet strength, and gradual improvements in FX liquidity provides a more credible foundation for sustained investor participation .

Stock Recommendations

S/N	Stocks	Current Price	Target Price	Upside	Duration	Remark
1	International Breweries	13.9	20	43.88%	26-Sep	BUY
2	Access Holdings Plc	22.4	32	42.86%	26-Sep	BUY
3	United Bank for Africa Plc	43.9	60	36.67%	26-Sep	BUY
4	Sterling Financial Holdings	7.5	10	33.33%	26-Sep	BUY
5	Transnational Corporation	46.15	60	30.01%	26-Sep	BUY
6	Aradel Holdings Plc	780	1,000	28.21%	26-Sep	BUY
7	FCMB Group Plc	11.7	15	28.21%	26-Sep	BUY
8	C & I Leasing Plc	7.8	10	28.21%	26-Sep	BUY
9	Dangote Cement Plc	635	778	22.52%	26-Sep	BUY
10	AllCO Insurance Plc	4.15	5	20.48%	26-Sep	BUY
11	BUA Cement Plc	183	220	20.22%	26-Sep	BUY
12	Zenith Bank Plc	71	85	19.72%	26-Sep	BUY
13	Transcorp Power Plc	307	365	18.89%	26-Sep	BUY
14	Nestle Nigeria Plc	2,153	2,550	18.44%	26-Sep	BUY
15	AXA Mansard Insurance	15	17.52	16.80%	26-Sep	BUY
16	MTN Nigeria	580	675	16.38%	26-Sep	BUY
17	Mutual Benefits Assurance	4.2	4.7	11.90%	26-Sep	HOLD
18	Wema Bank Plc	22.7	25	10.13%	26-Sep	HOLD
19	Julius Berger Nig. Plc	182	200	9.89%	26-Sep	HOLD
20	Lafarge Africa Plc	156	170	8.97%	26-Sep	HOLD
21	P Z Cussons Nigeria Plc	56	57	1.79%	26-Sep	HOLD
22	Seplat Energy Plc	6,700	6,500	(2.99%)	26-Sep	HOLD

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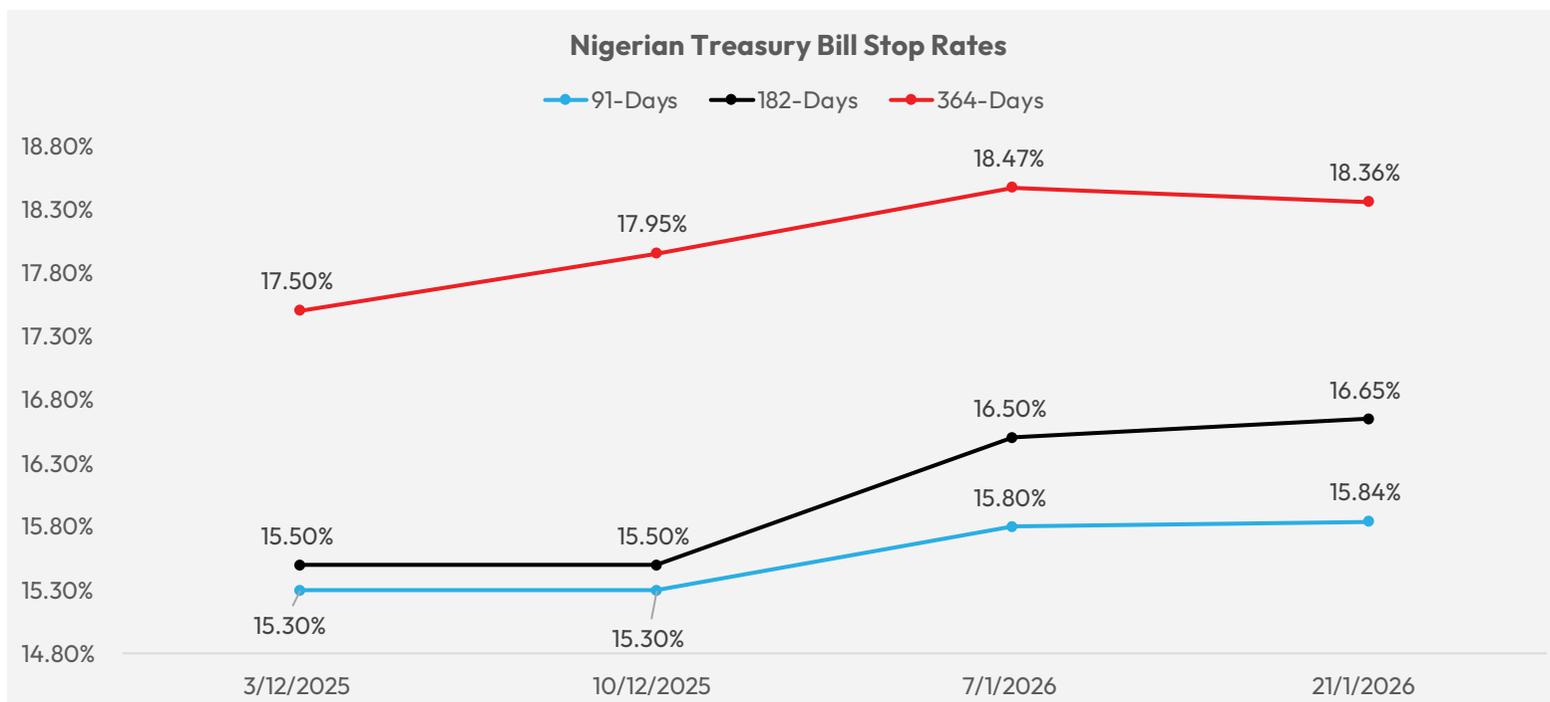


Money and Treasury Bills Market

Short-Term Interest Rates

Rate	Dec -31 -2025	Jan-30-2026
Overnight Repo Rate (OPR)	22.50%	26.07%
Overnight Rate (OVR)	22.79%	26.36%

Nigerian Treasury Bill Stop Rates

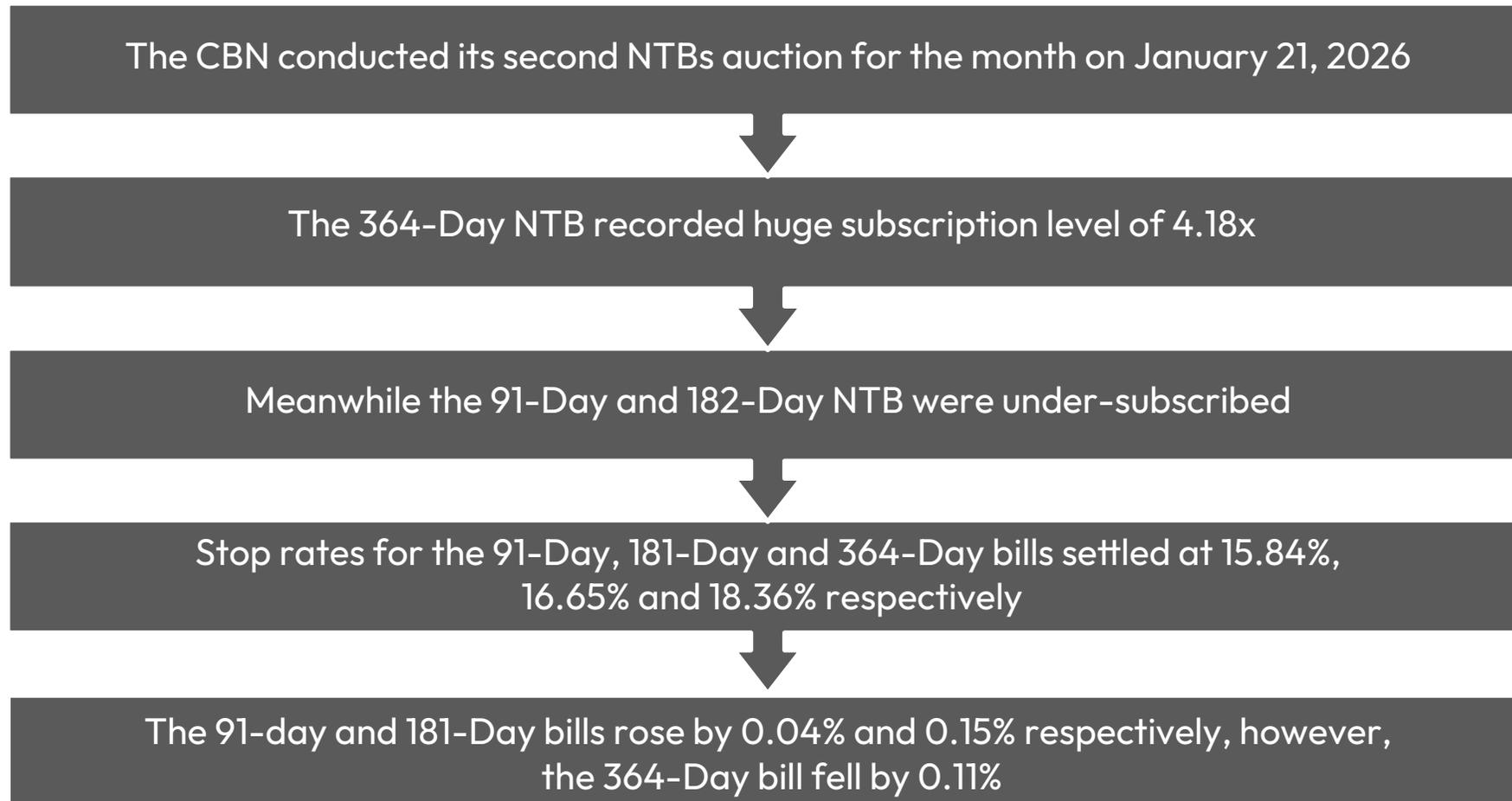


■ MONEY AND TREASURY BILLS MARKET [CONT'D]

Nigerian Treasury Bills (NTBs) Yields – Secondary Market			
NTBs	Dec -31 -2025	Jan-30-2026	Change
91 day	17.24%	17.18%	(0.06%)
182 day	18.30%	18.23%	(0.07%)
364 day	20.90%	19.59%	(1.31%)

NTBs Primary Market Auction 21 - Jan-2026				
Tenor	91-day	182-day	364-day	Total
Offer (N'bn)	150.00	200.00	800.00	1,150.00
Subscription (N'bn)	46.13	46.51	3,345.07	3,437.71
Allotment (N'bn)	40.61	42.16	997.68	1,080.45
Subscription Rate	0.31x	0.23x	4.18x	2.99x
Allotment Rate	0.88x	0.91x	0.30x	0.31x
Stop Rate	15.84%	16.65%	18.36%	
Previous Stop Rate	15.80%	16.50%	18.47%	
Change from Previous	0.04%	0.15%	(0.11%)	

■ MONEY AND TREASURY BILLS MARKET [CONT'D]



Fixed Income Market – Outlook

Fixed Income Securities Outlook for February 2026

Should the MPC hold rates, yields are likely to remain broadly stable with mild softening supported by easing inflation, while a rate cut would trigger a more noticeable bullish shift across the curve as investors price in a looser policy stance though the absence of a strong catalyst still limits the scope for aggressive yield declines .

Investor demand may stay tilted towards long-dated instruments, due to expectation of lower interest rate as inflation continue to drop

Yield of Eurobond may continue to drop due to strong demand from foreign investors as the value of Naira continues to appreciate

More activities are expected in the Federal Government and State Government Bond because of the tax advantage inherent in the Bonds

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Revised Pension Fund Administration Investment Guideline



REVISED PENSION FUND ADMINISTRATION (PFA) INVESTMENT GUIDELINE

The National Pension Commission (Pencom) Revises the Equity Portfolio Limit of Pension Fund For Certain Classes of Fund as Follows

S/N	Fund	Fund Name	Focus	Previous Limit	New Limit
1	Fund I	RSA Fund 1	High risk profile with the highest exposure to variable income instruments This is an optional fund for active contributors who are 49 years old and below	30%	35%
2	Fund II	RSA Fund 2	Balanced risk profile with slightly lower exposure to variable income instruments This is the default fund for all active contributors aged 49 years and below.	25%	33%
3	Fund III	RSA Fund 3	Conservative risk profile prioritizing capital preservation as contributors approach retirement This is the default fund for active contributors who are 50 years old and above.	10%	15%
4	Fund IV	Retiree Fund	Most conservative risk profile	5%	5%
5	Fund V	Conservative (Micro Pension Fund)	Micro pension contributors with lower risk tolerance	5%	5%
		Growth (Micro Pension Fund)	Micro pension contributors seeking higher capital appreciation	25%	25%
6	Fund VI	Non -Interest Fund (Active)	Active contributors who choose to move from Funds I -III	25%	33%
		Non -Interest Fund (Retiree Fund VI)	Specifically for retirees moving from Fund IV	5%	5%

REVISIED PENSION FUND ADMINISTRATION (PFA) INVESTMENT GUIDELINE [CONT'D]

The National Pension Commission (PenCom) Increases Equity Portfolio Limit for PFAs

- ! PenCom increases the equity portfolio limit in the Pension Fund Assets
- ! Our analysis shows that Pension Fund Administration (PFAs) under invested in the equity market
- ! We estimate the new guideline to inject additional N2.83trn into the equity market in 2026 from pension fund
- ! This is expected to sustain the growth in the equity market in 2026
- ! Over time, this development should help deepen market liquidity, support valuation at the top end of the market, and strengthen the role of domestic institutional investors in stabilising the Nigerian Equity Market

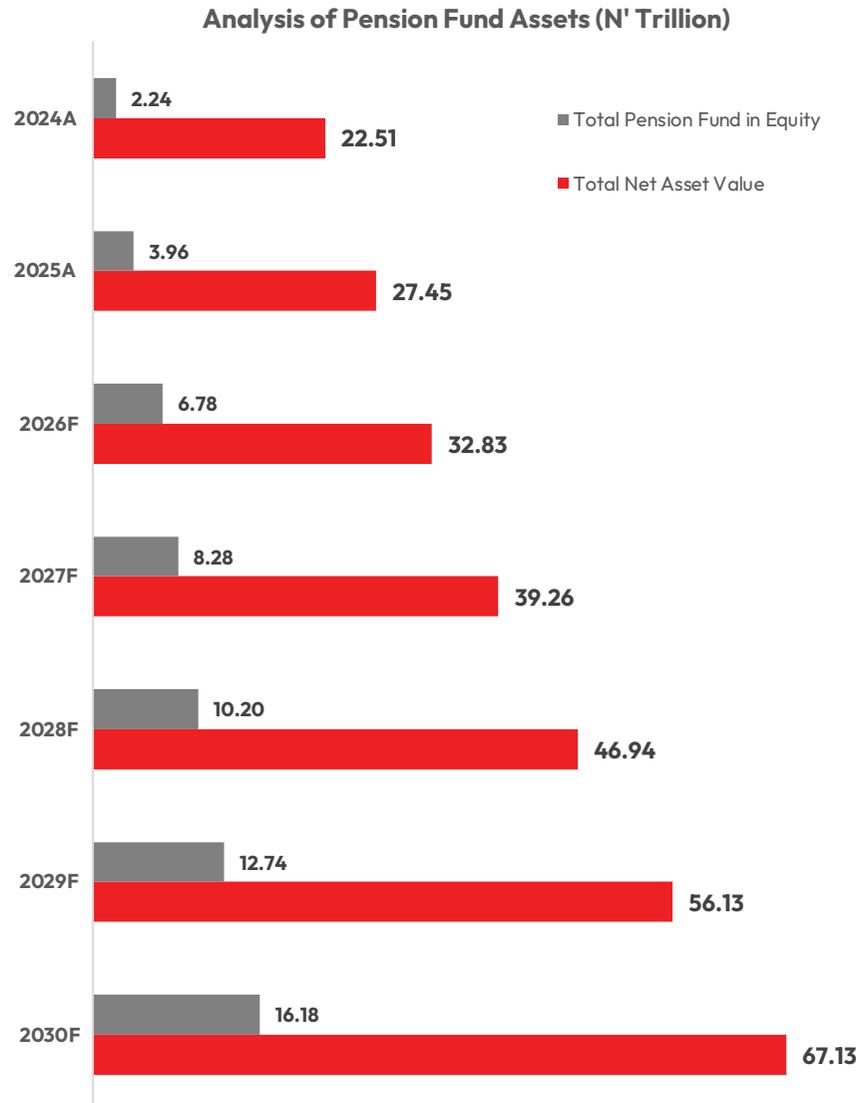
Requirements for Ordinary Shares

Pension fund assets can only be invested in ordinary shares of public limited/private companies based on the following conditions :

- i. The issuing companies' shares are listed and quoted on a securities exchange registered by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) or proposed to be listed and quoted through an Initial Public Offering (IPO), listing by introduction or private placement
- ii. In the case of Private placement, securities shall certify the listing and disclosure and reporting requirements of the SEC
- iii. The company has an operating track record of having made taxable profits for at least three out of the five years preceding the investment and paid dividends or issued bonus shares for at least one out of the five years
- iv. Pension Fund Assets in Fund I may be invested in the ordinary share of listed/unlisted companies with a one-year operating record, subject to the Commission's 'no objection'
- v. Pension fund investments may be made in a newly established quoted company that evolved because of merger, acquisition, or any other combination arrangement of existing corporate entities, subject to the condition that, at least, one of the erstwhile companies had satisfied the minimum quality requirements for investment in ordinary shares

Based on these requirements, all our recommended stocks and stocks under the NSE 30 Index will qualify for this investment

REVISIED PENSION FUND ADMINISTRATION (PFA) INVESTMENT GUIDELINE [CONT'D]



MONEY AND TREASURY BILLS MARKET [CONT'D]

Pension Fund Assets = N' Trillion							
	2024A	2025A	2026F	2027F	2028F	2029F	2030F
Total Net Asset Value	22.51	27.45	32.83	39.26	46.94	56.13	67.13
Fund I	0.25	0.45	0.78	1.36	2.38	4.15	7.23
Fund II	9.24	11.52	13.73	16.37	19.52	23.28	27.75
Fund III	5.92	7.02	8.39	10.03	12.00	14.35	17.16
Fund IV	1.62	2.25	2.71	3.26	3.93	4.73	5.70
Fund V	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.02
Fund VI - Active	0.09	0.22	0.39	0.69	1.23	2.19	3.89
Fund VI - Retiree	0.01	0.02	0.04	0.09	0.17	0.32	0.61
Existing Schemes	2.79	3.28	3.72	4.09	4.24	3.91	2.61
CPFAs	2.60	2.69	3.06	3.35	3.48	3.21	2.14
Pension Fund Investment in Equities - Trillion							
	2024A	2025A	2026F	2027F	2028F	2029F	2030F
Fund I	0.03	0.11	0.27	0.48	0.83	1.45	2.53
Fund II	1.47	2.58	4.53	5.40	6.44	7.68	9.16
Fund III	0.42	0.73	1.26	1.51	1.80	2.15	2.57
Fund IV	0.04	0.09	0.14	0.16	0.20	0.24	0.28
Fund V	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fund VI - Active	0.00	0.04	0.13	0.23	0.41	0.72	1.28
Fund VI - Retiree	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03
Existing Scheme	0.21	0.31	0.35	0.38	0.40	0.37	0.24
CPFAs	0.06	0.09	0.11	0.12	0.12	0.11	0.07
Total Pension Fund in Equity	2.24	3.96	6.78	8.28	10.20	12.74	16.18

- PenCom’s revision creates a two-tier structure within the RSA framework
- Funds I, II, III and VI (Active) now have greater flexibility to increase equity exposure to qualifying stocks on the Nigerian Exchange
- While Funds IV, V and VI (Retiree) remain constrained
- This effectively positions the revised funds to drive incremental pension flows into a pool of large, liquid, PenCom-eligible stocks

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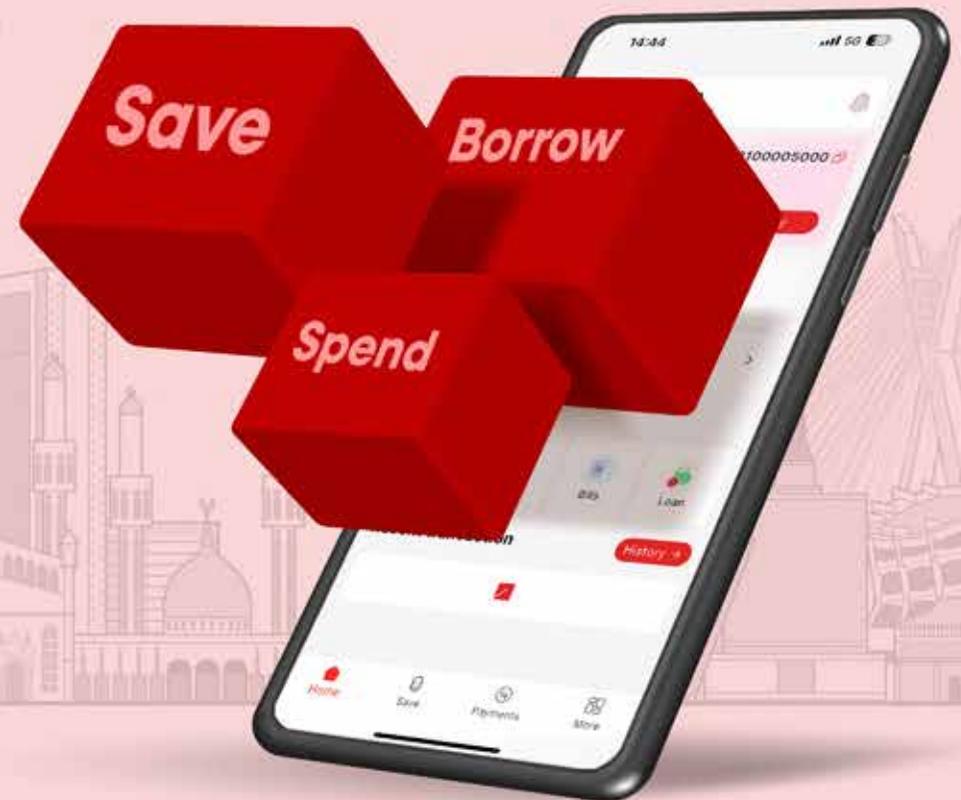


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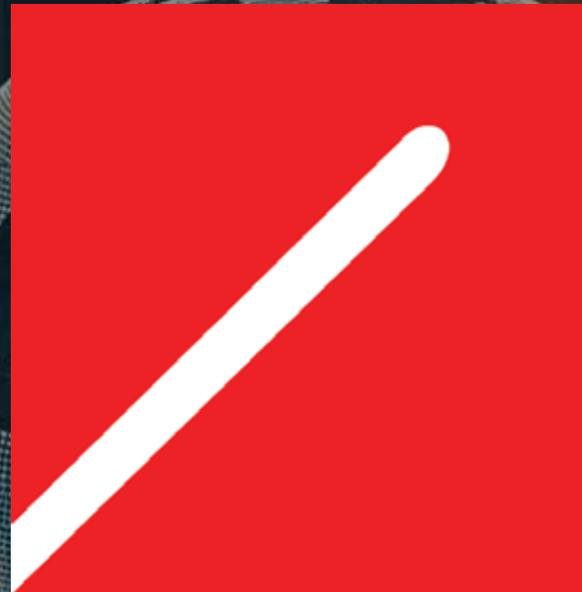
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