

Our Market View

The local market resumed its decline last week as macroeconomic concerns take center stage again amid rising global oil prices and the peso's depreciation to record lows. With no positive catalyst in sight, the local market may continue with its bearish bias this week.

Uncertainties over the Strait of Hormuz remain high amid the ongoing war between the US and Iran. The benchmark Brent crude has already gone past the \$100 per barrel mark again. Local fuel prices are also expected to increase further this week.

The Peso has kept its position below the 62.00 per US Dollar mark with the risk of hitting new record lows as economic concerns cause loss of confidence towards the currency.

The rise of oil prices and the weakness of the Peso sets up the expectation that inflation would be elevated this September, possibly even exceeding August's 6.1%. This in turn puts downward pressure on our GDP growth performance which has already experienced a slump in the first half.

Treasury yields both at home and in the US are rising making bonds more attractive as an investment alternative. This puts pressure on the local equities market.

Given the factors at play and with no positive catalyst in sight, investors are advised to remain cautious.

Market Technicals



From a technical standpoint, the index continues to exhibit a bearish bias but has managed to remain above the 6,000 level. Nevertheless, prices are still trading below the key moving averages, indicating continued weakness in the broader trend. RSI at 41.55 reflects weak momentum, while the MACD remains below its signal line, though the recent narrowing suggests that selling pressure may be gradually losing strength.

Market Wrap

The index declined, weighed down by renewed concerns over higher oil prices and the weakening local currency. Brent crude oil has again climbed above the \$100-per-barrel level, revisiting May's levels and raising concerns over inflation. The rise in oil prices may also increase demand for the US dollar, as crude oil is priced in dollars, adding further pressure on the local currency. Meanwhile, the peso has repeatedly breached its all-time low, reducing purchasing power and potentially adding to inflationary pressures. With higher oil prices and a weaker currency, the central bank may need to maintain a tighter monetary policy stance to contain inflation and support the peso. Net foreign outflows further dampened market sentiment.

Most indices declined, with Holdings performing the worst, plunging 3.93%. Meanwhile, Services and Miners advanced, with Services gaining the most at 3.90%

The P/E ratio stands at 10.73x, remaining below its historical average of 14.4x. This implies that the market is still at bargain levels.

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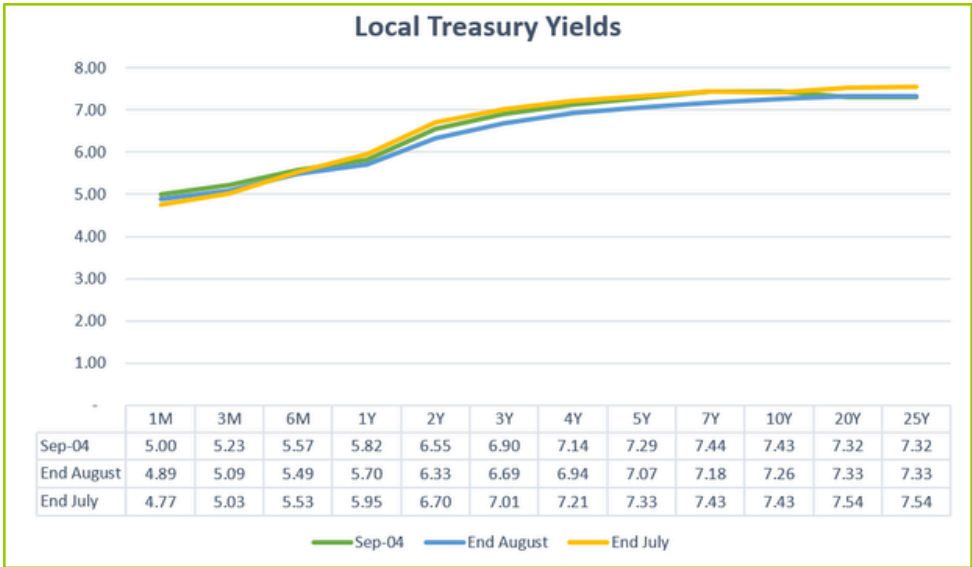
Dollar to Peso



The Peso sank to a new record low last week of 62.78. The weakness is attributed to the continuous rise in global oil prices amid the re-escalating tensions between the US and Iran. The global oil price climb adds to the worries over the Philippines' import bill and ultimately its balance of trade position. The rising global bond yields, led by US treasury yields also added to the Peso's weakness. This can be attributed to the possibility of the Federal Reserve raising their policy rate in their meeting next week as the US' latest employment figures showed signs of strength while inflation remains above the 2% target.

Moving forward, the Peso may still move with a depreciation bias with a possible testing of the 62.75 level this week. Projected weakness is still attributed to the rise in global oil prices and global bond yields. If the said factors reverse course however, we may see a recovery in the Peso.

Local Treasury Yields



Local treasury yields have increased with last week averaging 6.58%, higher than end-August's 6.44%. Yields from the 1-month to the 10-year have experienced an increase. The rise in the shorter end of the curve can be attributed to the anticipation of a possible rise in the Federal Reserve's policy rates in the near term which could somehow influence the BSP's policy path. Meanwhile, the rise in the longer end of the curve can be attributed to the rise in inflation expectations.

Moving forward, for the shorter end of the curve, investors are expected to take cues from the upcoming Federal Reserve policy meeting. Meanwhile, the longer end of the curve may rise due to rising inflation expectations.

Pick for the Week

Cirtek Holdings Philippines Corporation [PSE: TECH]

Entry Price: 1.56

Target Price: 1.68 - 1.75

Percentage gain: 7.69% - 12.18%

Recommendation: **Trade**



As of September 11, 2026

- This stock has delivered a strong year-to-date performance of 147.62%, and an even more impressive 200% gain from the beginning of April to date. For short-term trades, it was able to deliver a 46.76% return from our previous recommendation.
- Technical indicators are still showing signs that there is room for further upside, with prices respecting the moving average and continuing to break out of previous resistances. The Relative Strength Index trails above the 50 threshold and is currently approaching overbought levels, signifying strong buying interest for this stock. Meanwhile, the MACD is crossing above the signal line. If the trend continues, the stock could hit the next resistance of 1.68.
- Be cautious and place your cut loss, as a short-term pullback may possibly happen given that it has been exhibiting a bullish momentum.

WEEKLY MARKET STATS				
INDEX	VALUE	PTS	PCT	YTD %
PSEI	6,061.81	-28.79	-0.47%	0.15%
ALL	3,358.40	-19.04	-0.56%	-3.31%
FIN	1,862.76	-59.56	-3.10%	-9.07%
IND	7,899.70	-7.42	-0.09%	-8.36%
HDC	4,196.87	-171.75	-3.93%	-12.34%
PRO	1,842.23	-38.09	-2.03%	-19.06%
SVC	3,388.25	127.18	3.90%	42.45%
M&O	21,493.49	428.05	2.03%	42.72%

INTERNALS			
TOTAL VALUE	54,156,481,808.37	FB	40,235,014,888.14
AVERAGE VALUE	10,831,296,361.60	FS	40,995,302,047.61
BLOCK	28,464,159,215.81	Net Foreign	-760,287,159.47

ASIAN MARKETS				
INDEX	VALUE	PTS	PCT	YTD %
Nikkei 225	64,011.34	-1,009.60	-1.55%	27.16%
Shanghai	3,888.11	-42.01	-1.07%	-2.03%
Hang Seng	24,805.63	-845.24	-3.30%	-3.22%
KOSPI	6,909.91	222.70	3.33%	63.97%
HCM	1,795.21	-57.87	-3.12%	0.60%
SET	1,604.52	8.94	0.56%	27.38%
STI	5,695.93	-106.03	-1.83%	22.59%
KLCI	1,686.74	-21.36	-1.25%	0.39%
JCI	6,541.38	-95.10	-1.43%	-24.35%

COMMODITIES & CURRENCIES		
MARKET	PTS	PCT
Brent Crude	104.47	8.99%
WTI Crude	99.99	9.61%
Gold	4,390.00	-1.95%
Silver	65.02	-2.69%
Copper	6.56	-1.65%
US\$:Php	62.67	0.07%
US 10 Yr Yield	4.98	3.99%

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