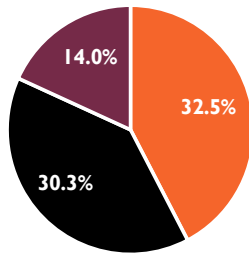


**WEEKLY
NOTE**



Top 3 Traded Counters



- Safaricom Plc
- KCB Group Plc
- Equity Group Holdings Plc

Source: NSE, AIB-AXYS Research

Top Gainers

Company	Closing Price	W/W Change (%)
Trans-Century Plc	1.41	▲ 18.5%
TPS Eastern Africa (Serena) Ltd	15.70	▲ 11.3%
Uchumi Supermarket Plc	0.33	▲ 10.0%
Africa Mega Agricorp Plc Ord 5.00	56.50	▲ 9.7%
Kenya Re- Insurance Corporation L	1.81	▲ 8.4%

Top Losers

Company	Closing Price	W/W Change (%)
WPP Scangroup Plc	3.31	▼ (5.4%)
E.A Portland Cement Co. Ltd	34.05	▼ (5.2%)
Car & General	22.90	▼ (4.6%)
Kapchorua Tea	230.00	▼ (4.2%)
Sameer Africa Plc	3.15	▼ (3.4%)

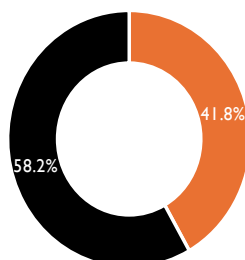
Source: NSE, AIB-AXYS Research

Weekly Market Summary

Statistic	Latest Week	Previous Week	% change
Market Cap (KES Bn)	2,086.22	2,058.56	▲ 1.3%
Nairobi All Share Index	132.81	131.05	▲ 1.3%
NSE-10 Index	1,361.23	1,354.66	▲ 0.5%
NSE-20 Index	2,241.11	2,222.69	▲ 0.8%
NSE-25 Index	3,566.84	3,555.75	▲ 0.3%

Source: NSE, AIB-AXYS Research

Participation Mix



- Foreign Investors
- Domestic Investors

Source: NSE, AIB-AXYS Research

Stock Commentary

- ❖ Safaricom Plc was the most traded counter in the week, with aggregate turnover clocking **KES 921.25 Mn**, with KCB Group coming in as the second most traded counter with the cumulative turnover coming in at **KES 858.51 Mn**.
- ❖ For the week, bullish foreigner sentiment was skewed on Safaricom Plc to register net inflows amounting to **KES 158.9 Mn**.
- ❖ On the flip side, bearish foreigner sentiment was most pronounced on Equity Group to register net outflows amounting to **KES 251.7 Mn**.

Trading Activity Stats

Statistic	Latest Week	Previous Week	% change
Equity Turnover (KES, Mn)	2,832.72	1,964.89	▲ 44.2%
Foreigner buys (KES Mn)	1,186.81	1,094.95	▲ 8.4%
Foreigner sales (KES Mn)	1,179.20	1,243.31	▼ (5.2%)
Net foreign flows (KES, Mn)	7.61	(148.36)	▲ 105.1%
Foreign Participation Rate	41.8%	59.5%	▼ (17.7%)

Source: NSE, AIB-AXYS Research

Kenyan Equities Market Performance

- ❖ The market registered bullish sentiments as signaled by the **1.3%** rise in the Nairobi All-Share index (NASI) to close at **132.81 points**. Trading activity increased by **44.2%** in the week to **KES 2,832.72 Mn**, up from **KES 1,964.89 Mn** the previous week.
- ❖ Foreign investors were notably active in the week, with their participation rate at **41.8%** of total market activity.

Top Net Foreigner Buys

Company	Closing Price	Turnover (KES '000')
Safaricom Plc	18.80	158,898.92
KCB Group Plc	43.95	104,811.44
East African Breweries Plc	183.75	31,561.70
Kenya Power & Lighting Co Plc	6.98	4,436.12
Standard Chartered Bank Kenya Ltd	293.00	1,267.60

Source: NSE, AIB-AXYS Research

Top Net Foreigner Sales

Company	Closing Price	Turnover (KES '000')
Equity Group Holdings Plc	47.00	(251,695.68)
British American Tobacco Kenya Plc	365.00	(20,219.50)
Stanbic Holdings Plc	148.00	(19,319.40)
Flame Tree Group Holdings Ltd	1.46	(1,089.72)
Kenya Re- Insurance Corporation Ltd	1.81	(497.42)

Source: NSE, AIB-AXYS Research

Corporate Actions

Company	Interim/Special Dividend	Final Dividend	Book Closure	Dividend Payment
EABL Plc	KES 2.50		21-Feb-25	30-Apr-25
Kenya Power and Lighting Company PLC	KES 0.20		28-Feb-25	11-Apr-25
E.A Portland Cement		KES 1.00	31-Dec-24	28-Feb-25
KenGen Plc		KES 0.65	28-Nov-24	13-Feb-25
Safaricom Plc	KES 0.55		03-Mar-25	31-Mar-25

Source: NSE, AIB-AXYS Research

Africa Equities Return Heatmap



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SSA Equity Market Performance

Country	w/w (%)	YTD 2025 (%)
Kenya	▲ 1.3%	▲ 7.7%
Uganda	▼ (0.2%)	▲ 9.1%
Tanzania	▲ 0.7%	▲ 7.6%
West Africa	▲ 3.4%	▲ 6.4%
Nigeria	▲ 0.4%	▲ 5.4%
Ghana	▲ 4.0%	▲ 13.8%
Malawi	▲ 7.5%	▲ 53.7%
Mauritius	▼ (0.1%)	▼ (7.2%)
Botswana	▲ 0.0%	▲ 0.1%
Egypt	▲ 3.1%	▲ 5.4%
South Africa	▲ 0.2%	▲ 5.9%
Median	▲ 0.7%	▲ 6.4%

Source: African Markets, AIB-AXYS Research

Regional Perspective

- ❖ African equity markets registered bullish momentum in the week, to clock a median gain of **0.7%**.
- ❖ **Malawi** emerged to the best performing market, posting a **7.5% w/w** return, whereas **Uganda** was the weakest performer for the week, posting a discount of **0.2%**.
- ❖ Kenya's week-on-week average premium of **1.3%** resulted in a **7.7%** year-to-date performance.

Top Gainers 2025	Closing Price	% Change
Trans-Century Plc	KES 1.41	▲ 252.5%
Home Afrika Ltd	KES 0.90	▲ 157.1%
E.A.Cables	KES 2.36	▲ 122.6%
HF Group Plc	KES 7.84	▲ 91.7%
Sanlam Kenya Plc	KES 7.38	▲ 63.6%
Kenya Re Insurance Corpor	KES 1.81	▲ 58.8%
Uchumi Supermarket	KES 0.33	▲ 57.1%
Kenya Power & Lighting Cc	KES 6.98	▲ 56.9%
Flame Tree Group Holding	KES 1.46	▲ 53.7%
WPP Scangroup	KES 3.31	▲ 51.8%

Top Losers 2025	Closing Price	% Change
Africa Mega Agricorp	KES 56.50	▼ (19.3%)
Limuru Tea	KES 309.50	▼ (15.2%)
Bamburi Cement	KES 56.50	▼ (10.0%)
B.O.C Kenya	KES 81.00	▼ (9.0%)
Crown Paints Kenya	KES 33.00	▼ (5.7%)
E.A. Portland Cement	KES 34.05	▼ (2.7%)
Kapchorua Tea Kenya	KES 230.00	▼ (2.1%)

Top Movers 2025	Turnover (KES Mn)	Turnover (USD Mn)	Foreigners' Participation	Closing Price	% Change (YTD)
Safaricom Plc	KES 5,667.7	\$43.87	71.2%	KES 18.80	▲ 22.5%
KCB Group	KES 2,924.2	\$22.63	32.6%	KES 43.95	▲ 15.7%
Equity Group Holdings	KES 1,581.2	\$12.24	48.0%	KES 47.00	▲ 4.3%
East African Breweries	KES 1,046.3	\$8.10	73.7%	KES 183.75	▲ 6.1%
Absa Bank Kenya	KES 676.6	\$5.24	0.8%	KES 18.95	▲ 26.8%
HF Group Plc	KES 634.3	\$4.91	0.0%	KES 7.84	▲ 91.7%
Kenya Power & Lighting Co	KES 484.7	\$3.75	5.1%	KES 6.98	▲ 56.9%
Stanbic Holdings	KES 440.7	\$3.41	61.8%	KES 148.00	▲ 13.8%
Standard Chartered Bank	KES 414.7	\$3.21	7.9%	KES 293.00	▲ 17.8%
KenGen Co.	KES 348.2	\$2.69	4.7%	KES 4.91	▲ 45.7%
Co-operative Bank of Kenya	KES 331.8	\$2.57	3.9%	KES 17.00	▲ 22.7%
Kenya Re Insurance Corporation	KES 240.1	\$1.86	0.7%	KES 1.81	▲ 58.8%
Jubilee Holdings	KES 213.9	\$1.66	64.9%	KES 204.25	▲ 18.8%
British American Tobacco Kenya	KES 210.5	\$1.63	40.8%	KES 365.00	▲ 4.4%
I&M Holdings	KES 177.2	\$1.37	1.0%	KES 35.35	▲ 16.1%

Key Highlights

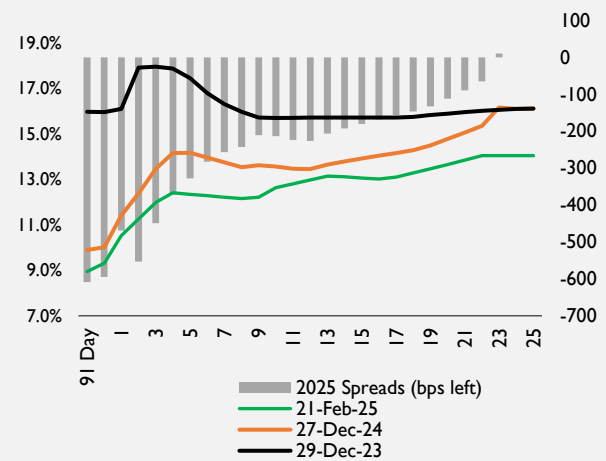
- ❖ **Spot market treasury bills remained oversubscribed, recording a subscription rate of 137.2% from 184.4% recorded the previous week.** Absolute demand remained skewed towards the 364-day paper – which received bids amounting to KES 16.1Bn. Demand for shorter-term papers has somewhat moderated, as investors shift their focus to longer-term issues to lock in rates for an extended period. This trend is evident in auctions, where investors increasingly seek the longer-dated 364-day paper.
- ❖ **In the results from the buyback of FXDI/2022/03, FXDI/2020/05, and IFBI/2016/09 issue, the government registered a performance rate of 112.1% with total bids received amounting to KES 56.09Bn against a target of KES 50.00Bn.** The total amount of accepted bids was KES 50.09Bn. The weighted average rate of accepted bids was 9.06%, 8.94%, and 9.09% for the FXDI/2022/03, FXDI/2020/05, and IFBI/2016/09 respectively. The coupon rates were set at 11.76%, 11.66%, and 12.50%, respectively.
- ❖ **91-day Treasury Bill rate witnessed a 2.20bps w/w downtick to 8.95%** – attributable to the lingering effect of the Central Bank of Kenya's recent 50 bps policy rate cut enacted in their latest MPC meeting. Meanwhile, the accepted average yields on the 182-day paper declined by 9.84bps, whilst the 364-day paper declined by 6.80bps.
- ❖ **Across the secondary bond market, the value of bonds traded increased 307.7% w/w to KES 127.44 Bn from KES 31.26 Bn** recorded a week prior. The NSE Bond Index also increased 15.60bps w/w to 1,1155.57 points driven largely by a decrease in the 3-year benchmark yields. The 3-year yield eased the most by 28.97bps w/w while the 13-year yield gained the most by 8.12bps w/w. We continue to expect a progressive yield curve flattening at the short end of the curve.
- ❖ **Yields on Kenya's Eurobond papers increased by an average of 8.52bps w/w.** We continue to expect Kenya's international yields to remain relatively stable, oscillating in the single-digit territory over the medium term, as investors keep a keen eye on developments in global policy outlooks as well as local fiscal policy shifts.

Table 1: Indicative Fixed Income Stats

Rate	Current	Previous	w/w bps change	2025 bps change
91-Day	8.95%	8.97%	(2.20)	(94.69)
182-Day	9.31%	9.41%	(9.84)	(71.00)
364-Day	10.53%	10.59%	(6.80)	(88.34)
Bond Index	1155.57	1153.77	15.60	563.09
Interbank Rate	10.68%	10.53%	15.35	(42.18)

Source: Central Banks' Data, Nairobi Securities Exchange

Chart 1: Domestic Yield Curve Evolution



Source: Nairobi Securities Exchange, AIB-AXYS Africa Research

Table 2: Summary of Kenya Eurobond performance

KENYAN EURO BONDS						
ISSUANCE	KENINT 05/22/2027	KENINT 02/28/2028	KENINT 02/16/2031	KENINT 05/22/2032	KENINT 01/23/2034	KENINT 02/28/2048
Tenor to maturity	2.30	3.00	6.10	7.30	9.00	23.10
31-Dec-24	8.48%	9.06%	10.13%	10.11%	10.12%	10.29%
14-Feb-25	8.07%	8.59%	9.78%	9.71%	9.82%	10.13%
17-Feb-25	8.07%	8.59%	9.78%	9.71%	9.82%	10.13%
18-Feb-25	8.18%	8.54%	9.78%	9.74%	9.85%	10.14%
19-Feb-25	8.19%	8.64%	9.88%	9.80%	9.90%	10.19%
20-Feb-25	8.19%	8.64%	9.88%	9.80%	9.91%	10.19%
Weekly change	0.12%	0.05%	0.10%	0.09%	0.08%	0.07%

Source: Central Bank of Kenya

Macroeconomic Developments

Exchange Rate

- ❖ The Kenya Shilling weakened marginally against the USD, depreciating by **0.278% w/w** to KES **129.58** from **129.22** the week prior. This saw the Shilling's YTD depreciate to **0.225%** against the USD.
- ❖ Official forex reserves decreased by **125.88bps w/w** to **USD 9.2256Mn** from **USD 9.374Mn**. The current reserves now offer about **4.7 months** of import cover – meeting the CBK's statutory requirement of 4 months and the EAC's convergence requirement of 4.5 months of import cover.
- ❖ The shilling could face renewed pressure as the one-month moratorium granted to Canada and Mexico by the U.S. on proposed tariffs ends later this month. If the U.S. imposes tariffs on imports from these nations, it could trigger retaliatory measures, potentially escalating into a full-blown trade war. Such a scenario would likely prompt investors to shift capital away from emerging markets toward safe-haven assets, exerting downward pressure on the shilling. However, there still remains a possibility that the tariffs could be further postponed in the near term.

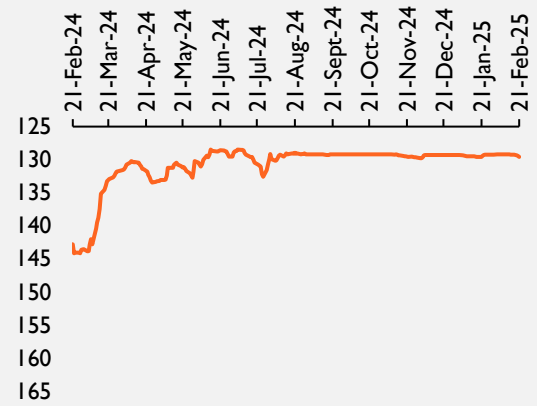
EPRA Pump Price Review – February 2025

- ❖ The Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA) announced fuel prices for the February 2025 - March 2025 pricing cycle. The retail prices of Petrol, Diesel and Kerosene are all expected to remain unchanged.
- ❖ Petrol will retail at KES 176.58/litre, Diesel at KES 167.06/litre and Kerosene at KES 151.39/litre. The regulator reported a 4.20% rise in the landing costs of Diesel and a 4.89% decline in the landing cost of Kerosene. Additionally, the landing cost of super petrol saw a marginal rise of 2.80%. Despite a slight increase in landing costs, prices have remained unchanged due to a higher price stabilization subsidy implemented by the government during the price cycle. Looking ahead, we expect fuel prices to moderate as geopolitical tensions in the Middle East ease, alongside a potential rise in supply from the United States plan to increase oil production and exports. However, escalating trade tensions continue to limit the potential for price declines, as investors remain cautious amid evolving monetary and trade dynamics.

Liquidity

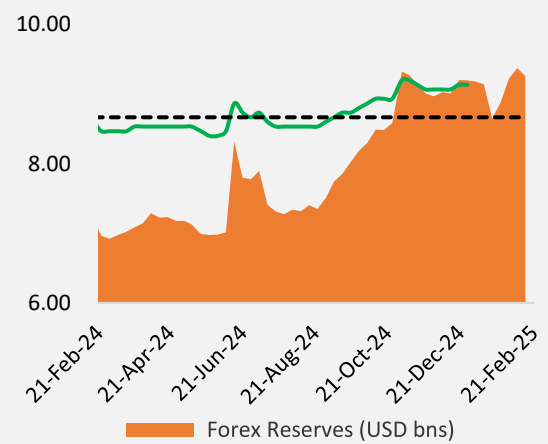
- ❖ Liquidity conditions across the money market tightened as evidenced by the 15.35bps increase in average interbank rate to 10.68% from 10.53% recorded a week prior. We anticipate that the interbank rate could stabilize around this mark in the near term. However, in the medium-term downward pressures on interbank rates could be limited as uncertainties in global policy agenda enactment could see the CBK adopt a more cautious easing approach.

Chart 2: KES-USD Exchange Rate



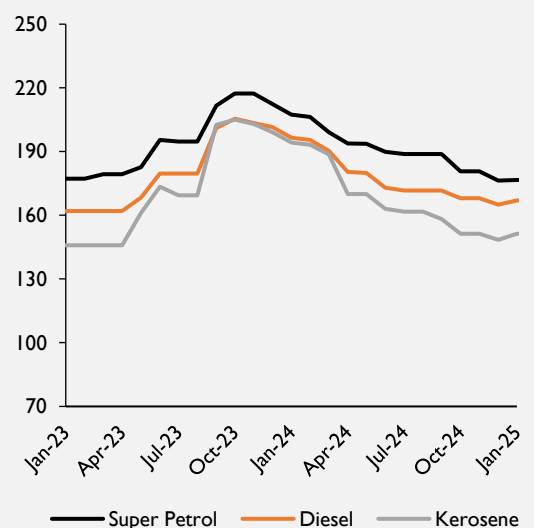
Source: Central Bank of Kenya, AIB-AXYS Africa Research

Chart 3: Forex reserves



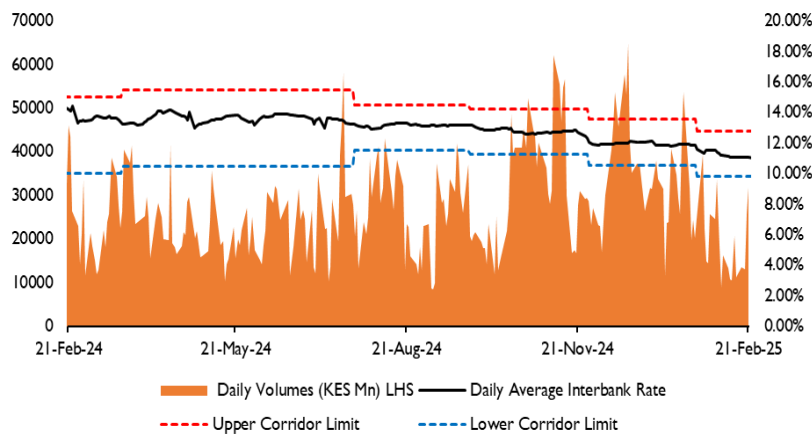
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Chart 4: Average Fuel Prices (KES)



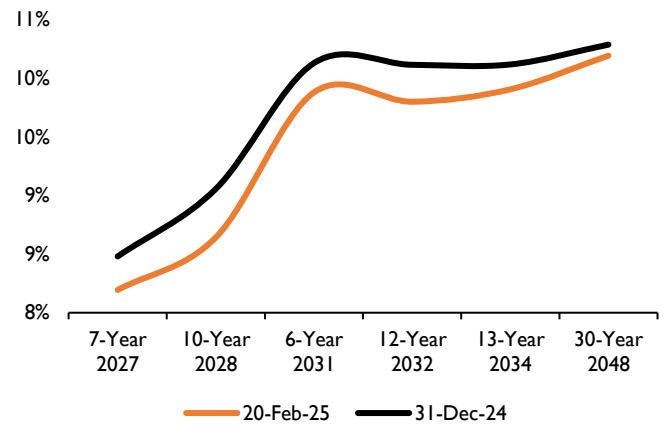
Source: EPRA, AIB AXYS Africa Research

Chart 5: Interbank Rate and Volume



Source: Central Bank of Kenya, AIB-AXYS Research

Chart 6: Kenya Eurobond Yield Curve



Source: Bloomberg

Macroeconomic Developments

Global Market Pulse

- ❖ Global growth is projected at 3.3% in 2025 attributable to low global inflationary pressures, declining cost borrowing, and supply chain normalization. However, escalating geopolitical tensions and the recent introduction of US trade tariffs do represent potential headwinds to the outlook.
- ❖ On the international front, the US dollar weakened by **0.1% w/w** against a basket of currencies. Additionally, the yields on the 2-year US treasury paper witnessed slight downward momentum with a **7bps w/w** drop, whilst the 10-year paper witnessed downward momentum with a **5bps w/w** decline settling at **4.20%** and **4.43%** respectively.
- ❖ Global oil prices registered a downward performance with Kenya's supplier UAE Murban decreasing by 30bps to close the week at **USD 76.84/barrel** while Brent Crude oil rose by 40bps to close the week at **USD 74.43/barrel**. We believe the recent decline in oil prices was driven by the initiation of peace talks between the U.S. and Russia regarding the ongoing war in Ukraine. A potential resolution could lead to the easing of sanctions on Russian crude exports, increasing global oil supply and further pressuring prices downward. However, with Ukraine not directly involved in the negotiations, a resolution could remain unlikely in the near term.

Table 3: Specific Global Prices

Statistic	Current Wk	Previous Wk	Δ
DXY Index	106.64	106.79	▼ (0.1%)
Murban Crude	76.84	77.06	▼ (0.3%)
Brent Crude	74.43	74.74	▼ (0.4%)
US 2Yr Yield	4.20%	4.27%	▼ (7 bps)
US 10Yr Yield	4.43%	4.48%	▼ (5 bps)

Source: Source: Bloomberg, Oil Prices.com, World Bank, AIB-AXYS Africa Research

MACROECONOMIC CALENDAR

Event	Date
Weekly CBK T-Bill Auction	27 th February 2025

Summary Macroeconomic Stats

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Statistic	Updated as of:	Current	Previous	Δ
GDP Growth	Q3 2024	4.0%	4.6%	▼ (60 bps)
Headline Inflation	January-25	3.3%	3.0%	▲ 30 bps
Central Bank Rate	February-25	10.8%	11.3%	▼ (50 bps)
Stanbic Kenya PMI	January-25	50.5	50.6	▼ (0.1 pts)
Private Sector Credit Growth	December-24	-1.4%	-1.1%	▼ (30 bps)
Forex Reserves (USD M)	January-24	8,877	9,201	▼ (3.5%)
Public Debt (KES Tn)	June-24	10.56	10.44	▲ 1.2%

Source: CBK, KNBS, Stanbic Bank Kenya, AIB-AXYS Research

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