



WEEKLY INVESTMENT STRATEGY REPORT ON 2ND JANUARY, 2024



THE RETURN OF FUNDS TO THE MARKET HELP VN-INDEX APPROACH THE RESISTANCE LEVEL OF 1.160 POINTS










EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE WEEKLY INVESTMENT STRATEGY REPORT ON 2ND JANUARY, 2024

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-  In the past week, the shift of foreign capital towards net buying in the late week significantly improved market sentiment. This became a crucial driving force that led to a substantial increase in liquidity and average transaction value per session compared to the previous week, reaching values of 702 million shares and 16,100 billion VND, respectively. As a result, the VN-Index became the world's strongest performing index with a gain of 2.44%. In terms of sectors, there was a strong inflow of funds into the tourism and entertainment group (5.57%) and the communication sector (3.88%).

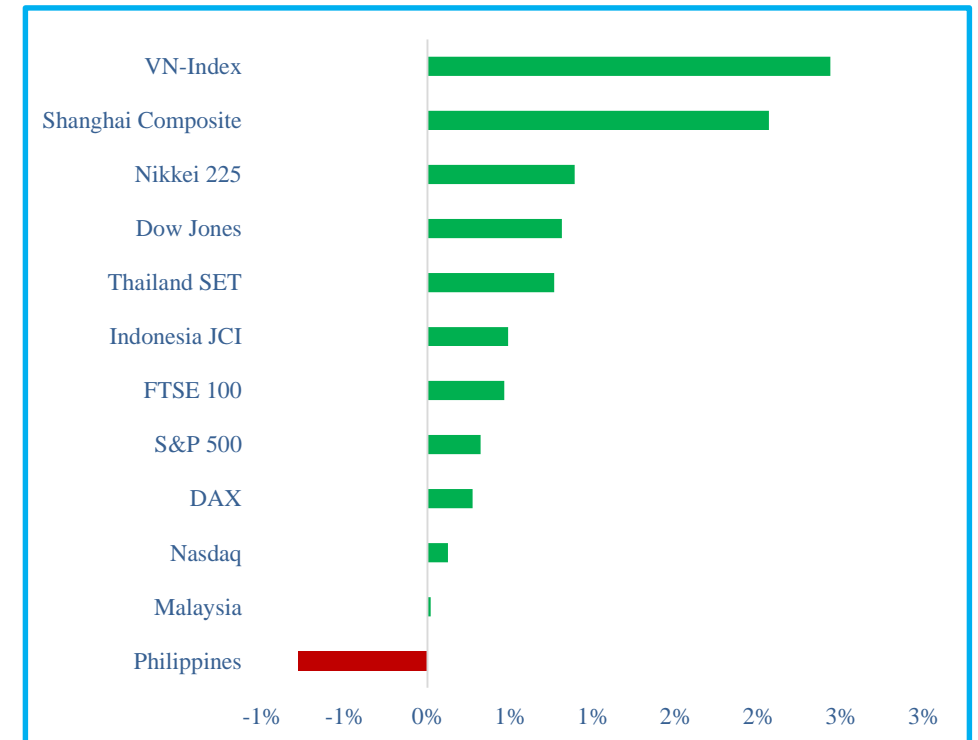
-  **With the economic and social indicators of Vietnam in 2023 being announced with many positive signals, and the deposit interest rates at banks continuing to decrease to record lows, it is forecasted that money will continue to flow strongly into the stock market. This is expected to help the VN-Index maintain its upward trend and approach the resistance level of 1,160 points in the week from January 2 to January 5, 2024. Investors are advised to **increase** the stock/cash ratio to **70/30****
 -  **If the VN-Index overcome the essential resistance level at 1.133 points with high volume, investors are recommended to **increase** the stock/cash ratio, with the expectation that the VN-Index will approach the next resistance level at 1.165 points.**

-  **Some of the noteworthy stock groups at this time include:**
 -  **Potential stock portfolio:** PNJ, GEX, DGW
 -  **If the market accumulates stably** the money flow can circulate strongly into some speculative industry groups, including:
 -  **Securities:** HCM, SHS
 -  **Real estate:** TCH, DIG
 -  **Sea port:** HAH
 -  **Steel:** HSG

GLOBAL STOCK MARKET OVERVIEW IN THE PREVIOUS WEEK

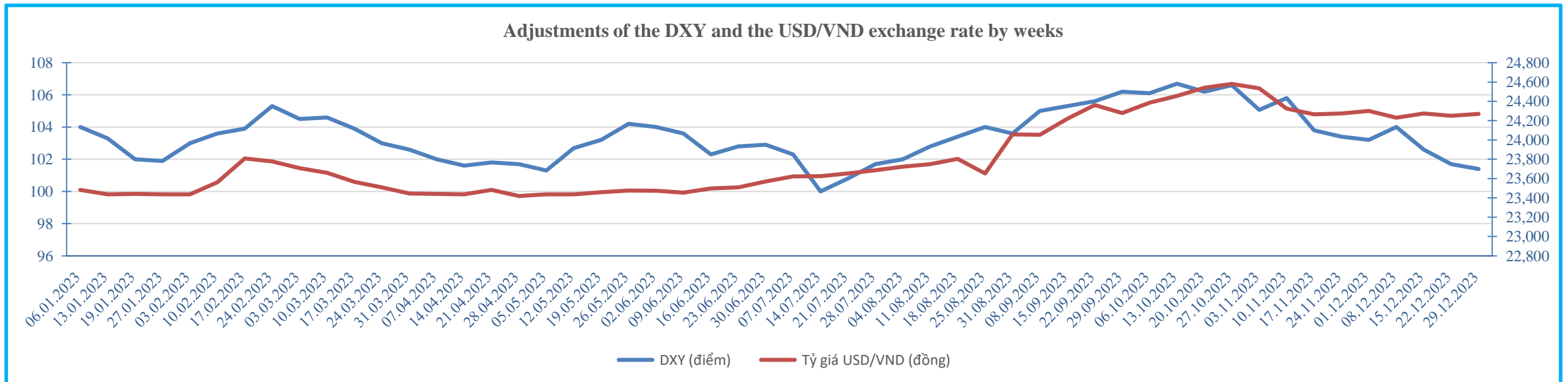
- The global stock markets mostly recorded an upward trend in the week from December 25 to December 29, with common increases ranging from 0.2% to 2%. This occurred against the backdrop of the Federal Reserve (Fed) planning to initiate interest rate cuts starting from March 2024.
- The VN-Index recorded a 2.44% increase in the past week, making it the strongest performer among the monitored indices.

Indices	22th December, 2023	29th December, 2023	Adjustments
VN-Index	1,102.30	1,129.93	2,44%
S&P 500	4,719.19	4,769.83	0,32%
Dow Jones	37,305.16	37,689.54	0,81%
Nasdaq	14,813.92	15,011.35	0,12%
DAX	16,751.44	16,751.64	0,27%
FTSE 100	7,576.36	7,733.24	0,46%
Nikkei 225	32,970.55	33,464.17	0,89%
Shanghai Composite	2,942.56	2,974.93	2,06%
Thailand SET	1,391.03	1,415.85	0,77%
Malaysia	1,462.50	1,454.66	0,02%
Philippines	6,478.44	6,450.04	-0,78%
Indonesia JCI	7,190.99	7,272.80	0,49%



FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET OVERVIEW IN THE PREVIOUS WEEK

- The DXY index moved sideways at the beginning of last week before sharply declining on December 27th following the U.S. Labor Department's report that the number of initial jobless claims in December reached 218,000, surpassing analysts' expectations (210,000) - a sign that the U.S. labor market is gradually cooling down. Overall for the week, the DXY index recorded a 0.29% decrease compared to the previous week, closing at 101.4 points.
- In Vietnam, the USD/VND exchange rate increased by 0.1% compared to the previous week, reaching 24,270 VND. As of December 29th, the State Bank of Vietnam (NHNN) announced the central exchange rate at 23,904 VND. At commercial banks, the buying rate for USD ranged from 24,030 to 24,110 VND, and the selling rate ranged from 24,400 to 24,465 VND. Meanwhile, on the free market, the USD traded (buying - selling) around 24,737 - 24,812 VND.



VIETNAMESE STOCK MARKET OVERVIEW IN THE PAST WEEK

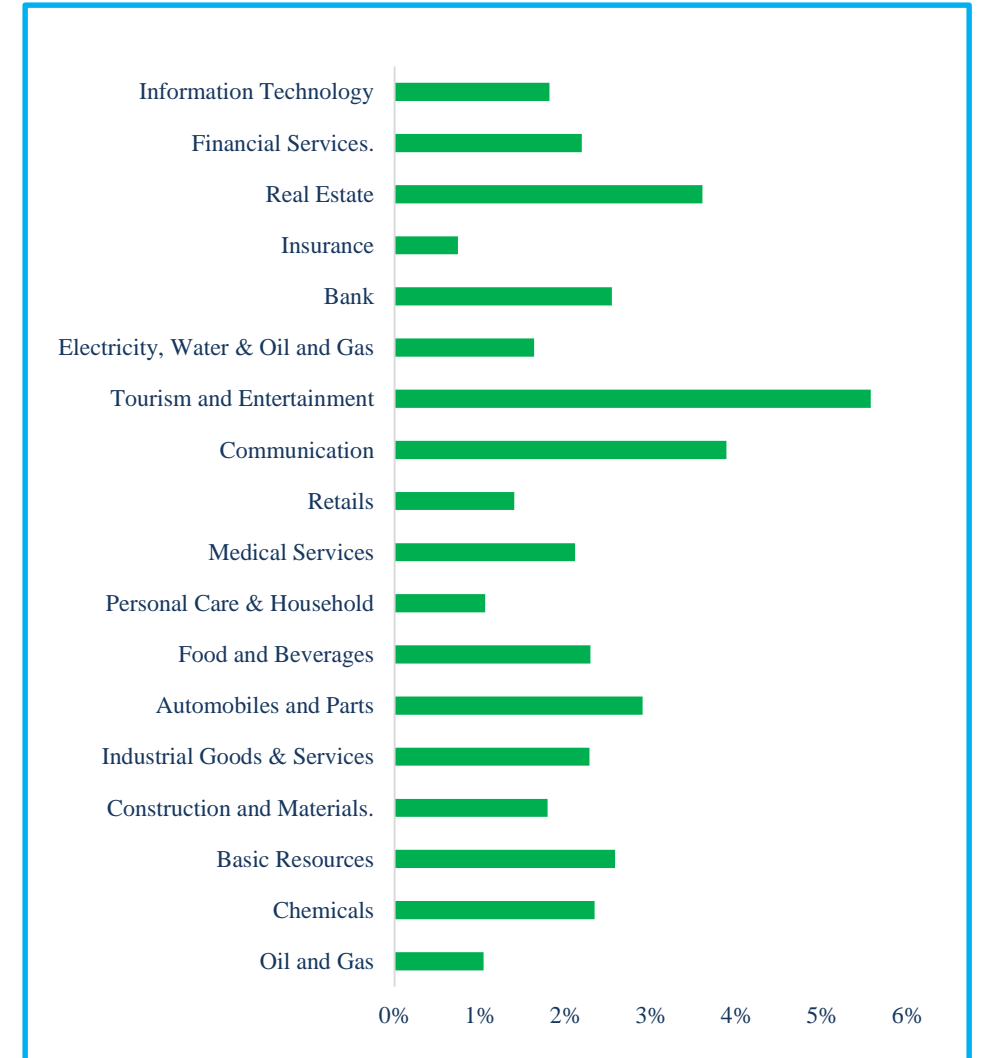


After undergoing a week of volatility in trading, VN-Index continued to close the week with a 1-point increase (~0.09%) at 1,129.93 points. Looking at the entire week, the market recorded a gain of 26.87 points (~2.44%) compared to the previous week's closing at 1,103.06 points. Market liquidity remained at a low level, indicating investors' cautious sentiment, and capital has not yet returned to the market.



SECTORS IN THE PAST WEEK

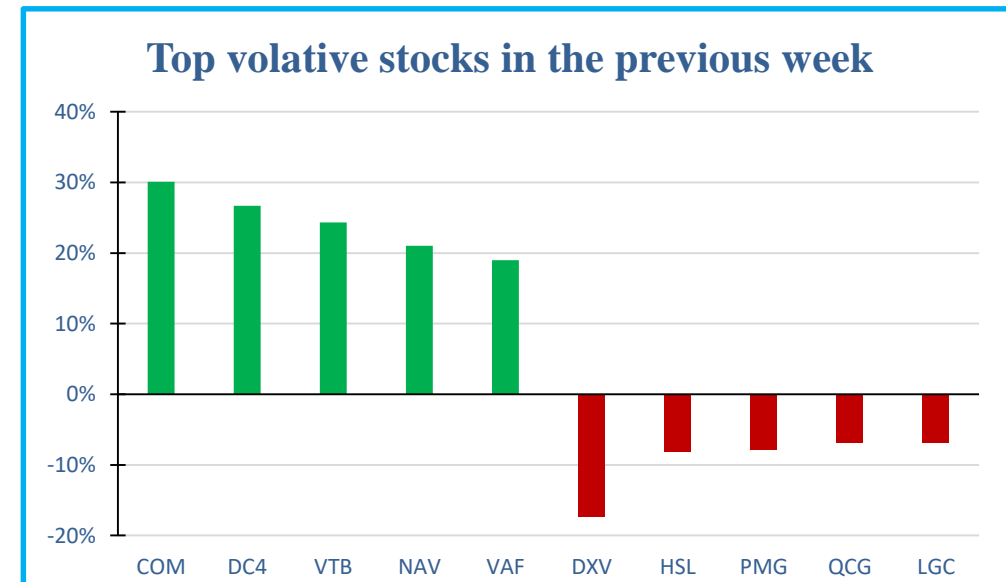
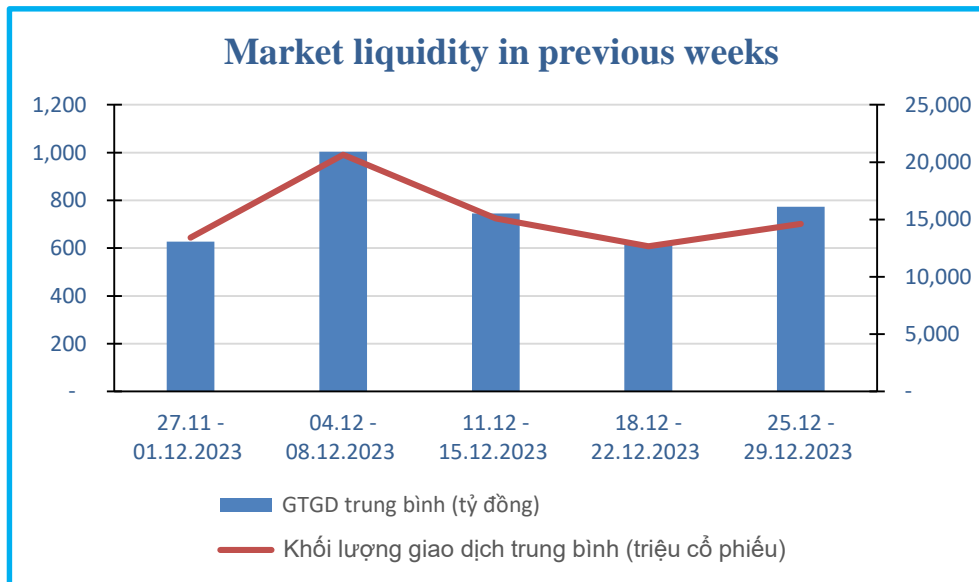
Sectors	% Price volatility	Total Value (MilVND)	Average matched value (Mil VND)	Trading Volume (1,000 shares)	Average Trading Volume (1,000 shares)
Oil and Gas	1,04%	551.635	95.794	39,84%	18.601
Chemicals	2,34%	2.498.267	442.160	30,95%	75.314
Basic Resources	2,58%	7.341.612	1.269.060	32,27%	325.783
Construction and Materials.	1,79%	4.378.055	783.973	38,44%	197.600
Industrial Goods & Services	2,28%	5.309.283	949.380	60,62%	194.920
Automobiles and Parts	2,90%	479.697	75.589	10,81%	29.184
Food and Beverages	2,29%	9.431.297	1.595.889	46,29%	386.974
Personal Care & Household	1,06%	1.303.248	189.601	6,00%	22.957
Medical Services	2,11%	167.203	29.165	-36,99%	7.444
Retails	1,40%	3.220.691	523.413	-15,47%	77.110
Communication	3,88%	105.984	16.165	164,07%	8.764
Tourism and Entertainment	5,57%	1.675.211	286.384	146,37%	36.233
Electricity, Water & Oil and Gas	1,63%	1.144.536	202.850	49,84%	52.204
Bank	2,54%	15.826.483	2.721.421	-0,05%	788.351
Insurance	0,74%	90.608	15.014	21,45%	3.224
Real Estate	3,60%	20.624.606	3.716.639	53,33%	837.182
Financial Services.	2,19%	12.307.245	2.169.454	10,22%	520.978
Information Technology	1,81%	1.684.228	290.841	-38,68%	32.884



Source: Fiinpro, Vietinbank Securities

MARKET LIQUIDITY AND TOP VOLATIVE STOCKS IN THE PREVIOUS WEEK

- Statistics from Vietstock indicate that the average trading value per session in the past week reached 16,100 billion VND, increasing approximately 25.2% compared to the previous week. Similarly, the average trading volume of stocks also recorded a 15% increase to 702 million shares.
- In the past week, the top 3 stocks with the highest gains were COM (30.09%), DC4 (26.67%), and VTB (24.35%). Conversely, the top 3 stocks with the most significant losses were DXV (-17.42%), HSL (-8.18%), and PMG (-7.78%).



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MACRO-ECONOMIC OVERVIEW IN THE PAST WEEK

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<p>According to the data from the U.S. Department of Commerce, the core Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE) index, which excludes food and energy, increased by 0.1% compared to the previous month and rose by 3.2% compared to the same period last year. Earlier predictions by economic experts were at 0.1% and 3.3% respectively.</p>	Positive	<p>Regarding inflation metrics, the Federal Reserve prefers the Personal Consumption Expenditures (PCE) index over the Consumer Price Index (CPI) because PCE focuses more on what consumers actually spend, while CPI measures the cost of goods and services. Reports on PCE are opening up expectations for the first interest rate cut to occur in March 2024.</p>
<p>Recently, the increased attacks by Houthi forces in Yemen targeting commercial vessels have prompted the oil conglomerate BP and four of the world's largest shipping companies, including CMA CGM, Hapag-Lloyd, Maersk, and MSC, to halt the transportation of goods through the Red Sea region.</p>	Neutral	<p>The analysis firm Vortexa has reported that from January to November, an average of around 8.2 million barrels of crude oil and oil products pass through the Red Sea each day. Therefore, tensions in the Red Sea have contributed to the rebound in oil prices after a series of consecutive weeks of decline.</p>
<p>According to the report from the General Statistics Office, the GDP growth in the fourth quarter of 2023 increased by 6.72%, contributing to a full-year GDP growth of 5.05% compared to the previous year. This growth rate is higher compared to the region and globally.</p>	Positive	<p>This is a positive signal for the overall economy and, specifically, the stock market.</p>
<p>According to the General Statistics Office, the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the fourth quarter of 2023 increased by 3.54% compared to the fourth quarter of 2022. Over the entire year of 2023, the CPI rose by 3.25% compared to the previous year, meeting the target set by the National Assembly.</p>	Positive	<p>The fact that the Consumer Price Index (CPI) has met the set target indicates that inflation is fundamentally under control.</p>

EVENTS FOR THE NEXT WEEK

NO.	Stock symbol	Exchange	Ex- Date	Record Date	Effective Date	Event Details
1	VHC	HOSE	04/01/2024	05/01/2024	N/A	Payment of the dividend for 2022 in stock, at a ratio of 100:20
2	SAB	HOSE	04/01/2024	05/01/2024	07/02/2024	Payment of the dividend for 2023 in cash, 1500 VND per share
3	HC3	UPCoM	04/01/2024	05/01/2024	19/01/2024	Payment of the 1st dividend installment for 2023 in cash, 1000 VND per share.
4	DM7	UPCoM	04/01/2024	05/01/2024	15/01/2024	Payment of the dividend for 2023 in cash, 525VND per share
5	PTB	HOSE	03/01/2024	04/01/2024	26/01/2024	Payment of the 1st dividend installment for 2023 in cash, 1500 VND per share.
6	SCS	HOSE	03/01/2024	04/01/2024	19/01/2024	Payment of the 1st dividend installment for 2023 in cash, 2000 VND per share.
7	HCM	HOSE	02/01/2024	03/01/2024	N/A	Exercising the right to purchase additional shares, at a ratio of 2:1, at a price of 10,000 VND per share
8	HCM	HOSE	02/01/2024	03/01/2024	N/A	Payment of the 2nd dividend installment for 2021 in stock, at a ratio of 100:15
9	TNH	HOSE	02/01/2024	03/01/2024	N/A	Payment of the dividend for 2022 in stock, at a ratio of 100:15
10	ICN	UPCoM	02/01/2024	03/01/2024	26/01/2024	Payment of the 2nd dividend installment for 2023 in cash, 1500 VND per share.
11	BCF	HNX	02/01/2024	03/01/2024	29/01/2024	Payment of the 2nd dividend installment for 2023 in cash, 1000 VND per share.

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