

MACRO UPDATE
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TARIFF PRESSURE FROM US BEGINS TO EMERGE

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SPOTLIGHT

April 2025 economic data indicates that growth drivers such as FDI and trading activities have started to show signs of being affected by US reciprocal tariff, as reflected in a slowdown compared to the previous month. On the positive side, industrial production continued to expand, public investment was further accelerated, and inflation eased.

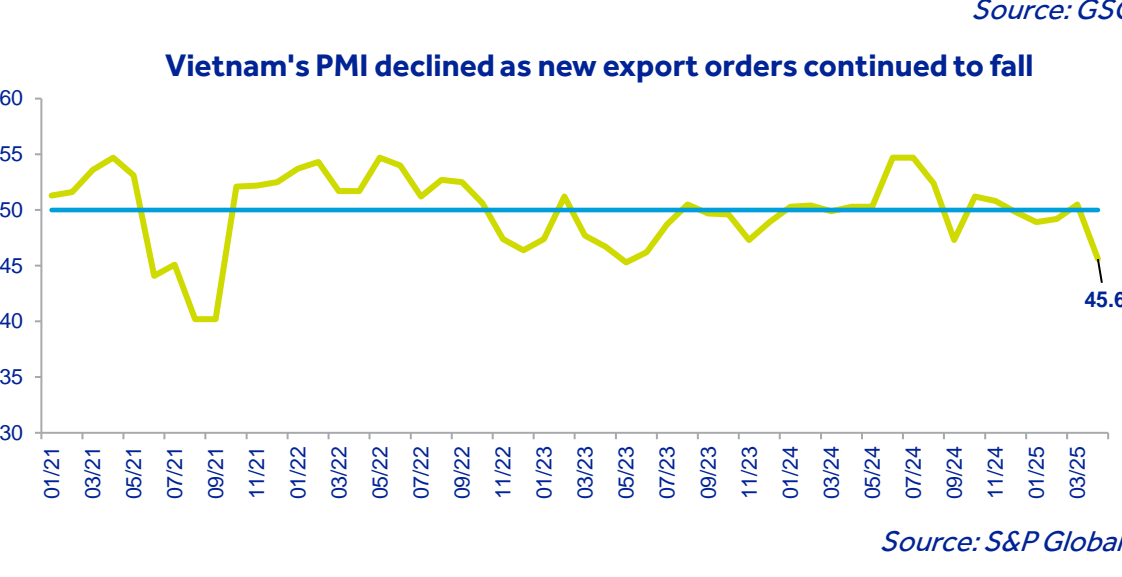
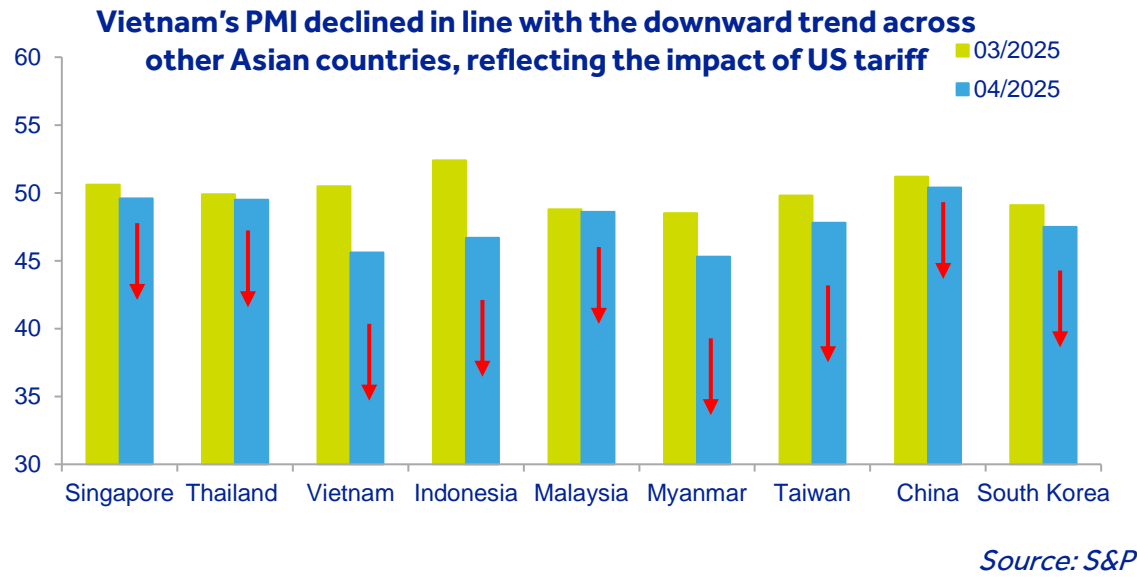
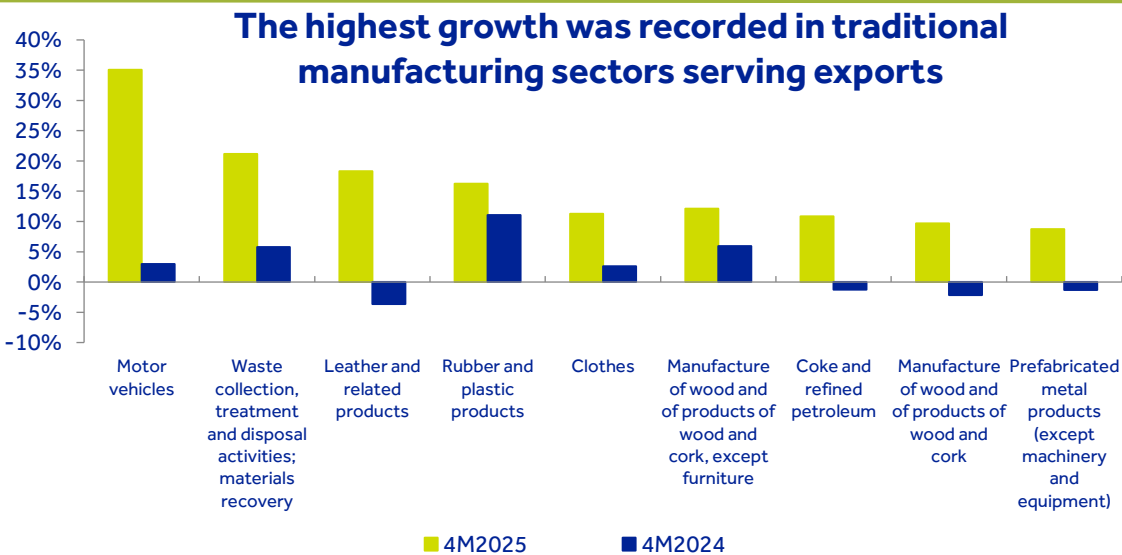
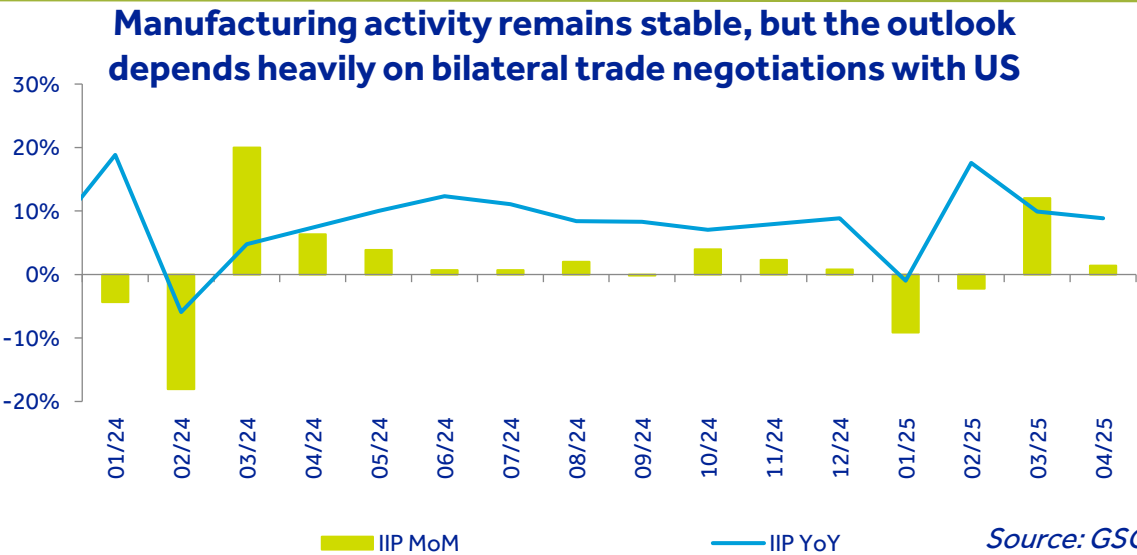
- 1. Industrial production** maintained its recovery momentum, increasing by 1.4% MoM and 8.9% YoY. However, the April Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) showed weakening in new orders, output, and business confidence – highlighting the sector's vulnerability to global trade uncertainties, especially recent US tariff measures. While current data remains positive, the medium-term outlook for manufacturing heavily depends on the progress of bilateral trade negotiations with the US.
- 2. Domestic consumption** showed clear signs of recovery, with total retail sales of goods and services rising by 11.1% YoY. Tourism revenue surged thanks to sustained high volumes of international arrivals.
- 3. Trade activities** began to show signs of slowdown. While export and import turnover still posted YoY gains, both declined slightly from the previous month, partly reflecting the impact of reciprocal tariffs on trade flows.
- 4. FDI inflows** showed early signs of weakening. Registered FDI in April 2025 declined both MoM and YoY, while disbursed FDI also decreased from the previous month. Concerns over US trade policy are expected to weigh on investor sentiment going forward.
- 5. Inflation** remained well-managed, rising only 0.07% MoM, largely due to a 2.8% drop in fuel prices. On average, CPI rose 3.2% YoY in the 4M2025, with core inflation up 3.05% YoY.
- 6. Public investment disbursement** continued to be a bright spot, increasing by 8.1% YoY in April and by 17.7% YoY over 4M2025 – equivalent to 18.6% of the annual plan. This underscores the government's commitment to boosting public investment as a key growth driver.

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Monthly Data	Apr-2025	MoM	YoY	YTD
Industrial Production (YoY) (IIP)	-	+1.4%	+8.9%	+8.4%
Retail Sales of Goods and Services (Trillion VND)	582	+2.9%	+11.1%	+9.9%
Consumer Price Index	-	+0.07%	+3.12%	+3.20%
Export Value (Bn USD)	37.4	-2.8%	+20.6%	+13.2%
Import Value (Bn USD)	36.9	0.0%	+23.0%	+18.4%
Trade Balance (Bn USD)	0.5	-64.7%	-45.9%	-56.2%
Disbursed FDI (Bn USD)	1.8	-11.4%	+7.9%	+7.3%
Registered FDI exl Cap. Cont.(Bn USD)	2.5	-19.9%	-5.3%	+43.8%
Disbursement of public investment (Tn VND)	48.7	+10.8%	+8.1%	+17.7%
PMI	45.6	-	-	-
Refinancing rate	4.5%	+0 đpt	+0 đpt	+0 đpt
OMO Interest rate (Monthly Avg.)	4.0%	+0 đpt	+0 đpt	+0 đpt
USDVND Exchange rate*	26.140	+0%	+2.7%	+2.3%

*Ask rate by commercial banks 07/05/2025

Manufacturing remains solid, but the outlook uncertain



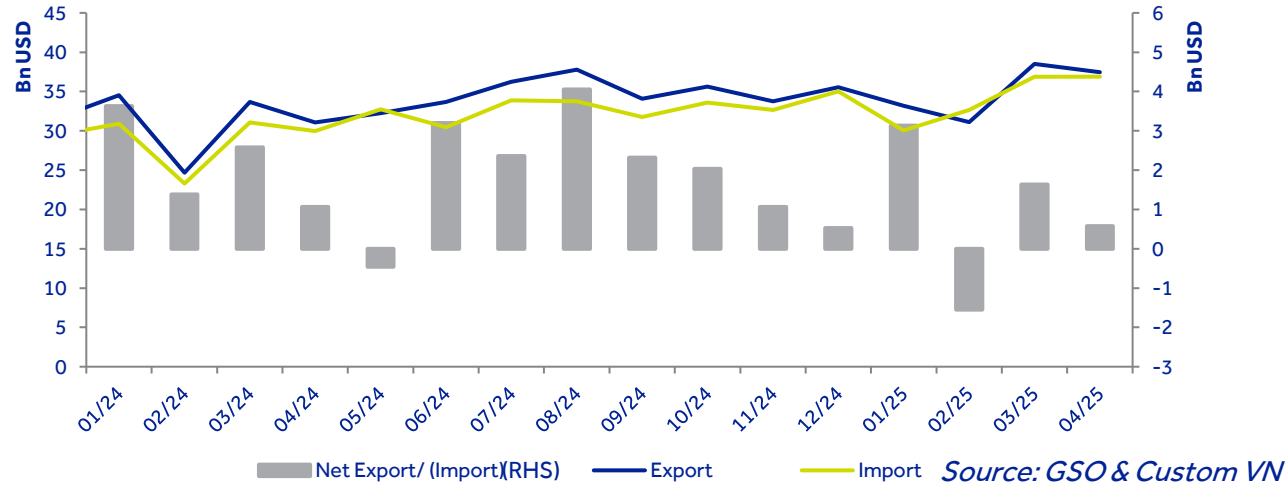
FDI and trading activities started to affected by US tariff

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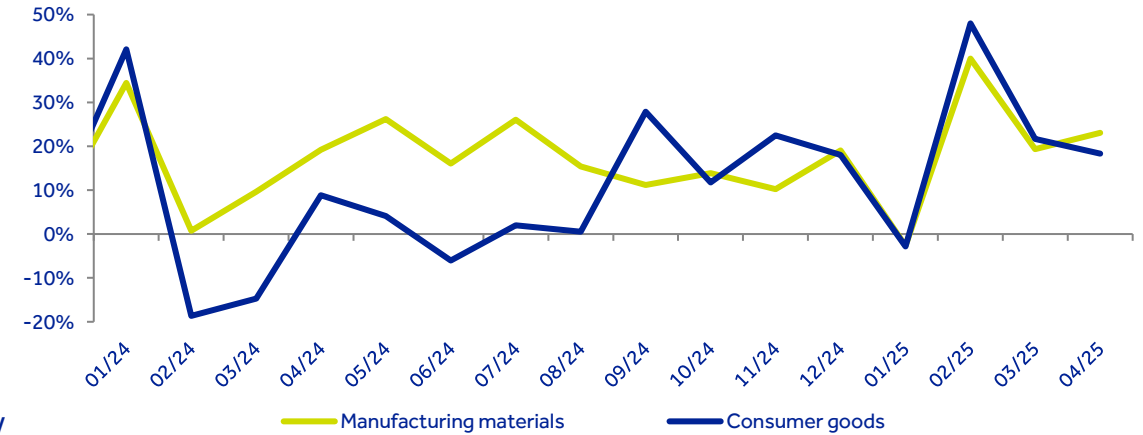
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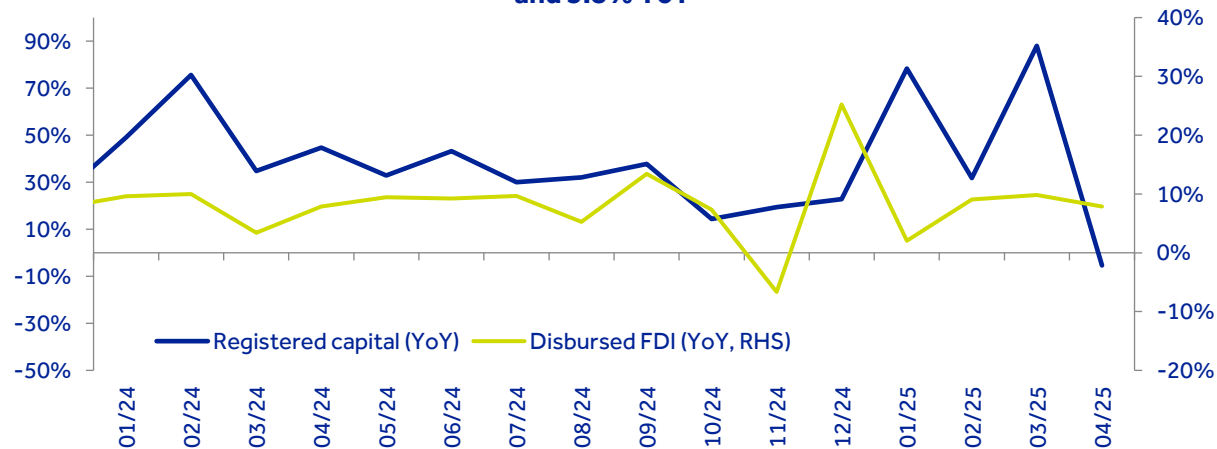
Trade activities began to show signs of slowdown



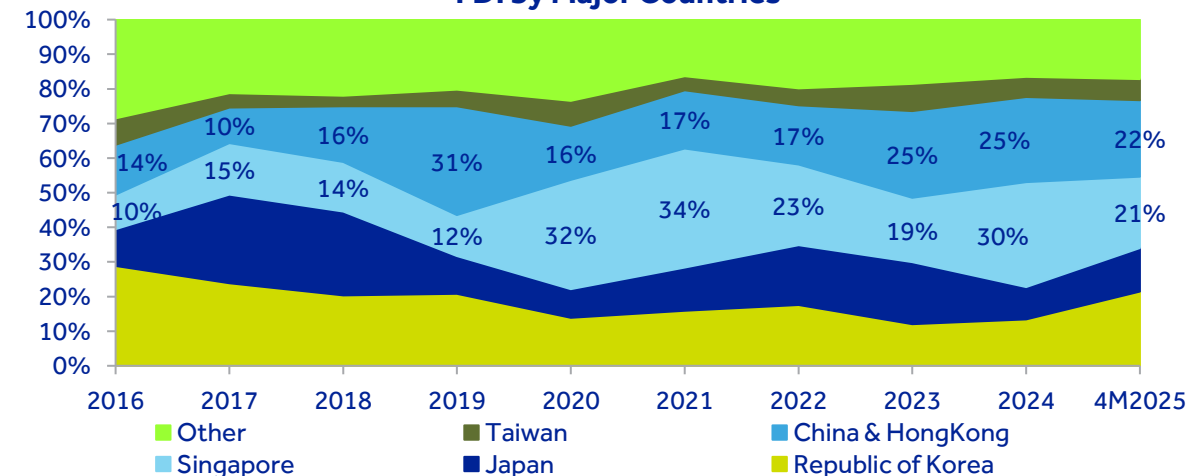
Imports of raw materials in 4M2025 still rose YoY but slightly declined compared to the previous month



Registered FDI also showed signs of slowing, with a decrease 19.9% MoM and 5.8% YoY



FDI by Major Countries



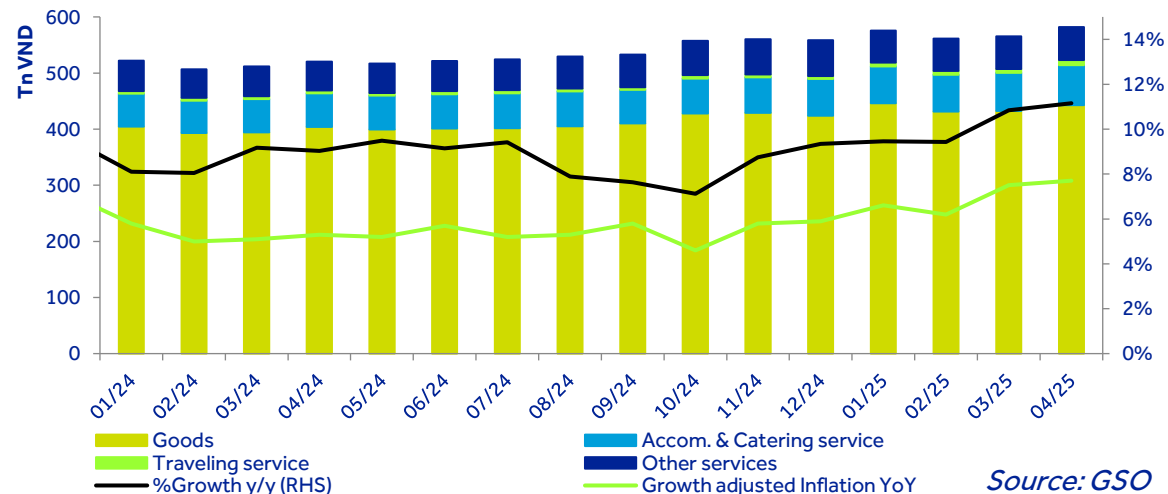
Domestic consumption revive, while inflation remains stable

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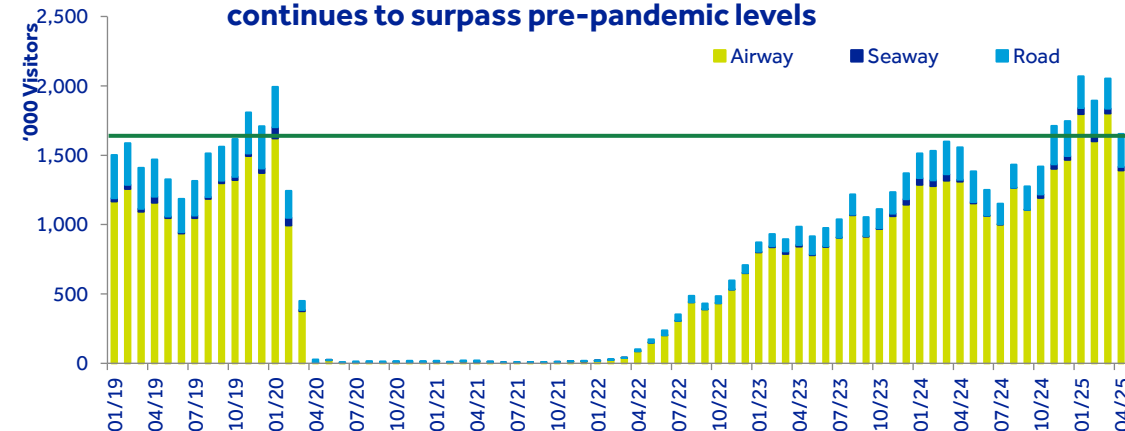
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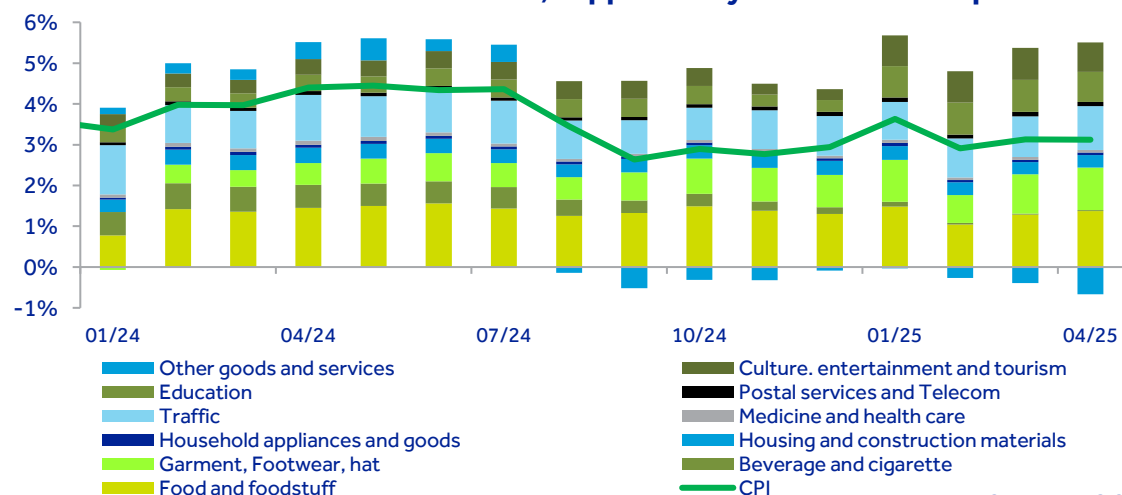
Total retail sales of goods and services continue to rebound



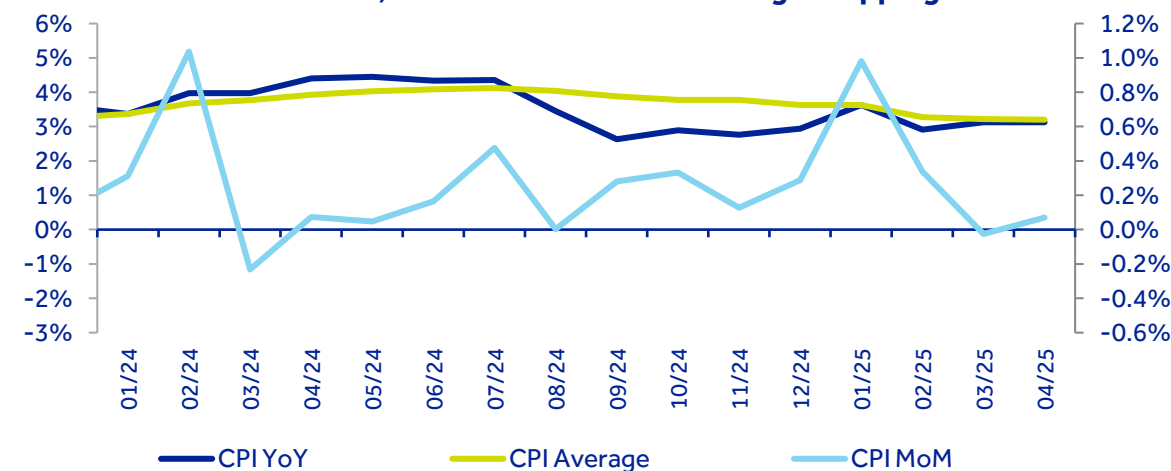
The number of international visitors to Vietnam continues to surpass pre-pandemic levels



Inflation remains stable, supported by a decline in fuel prices



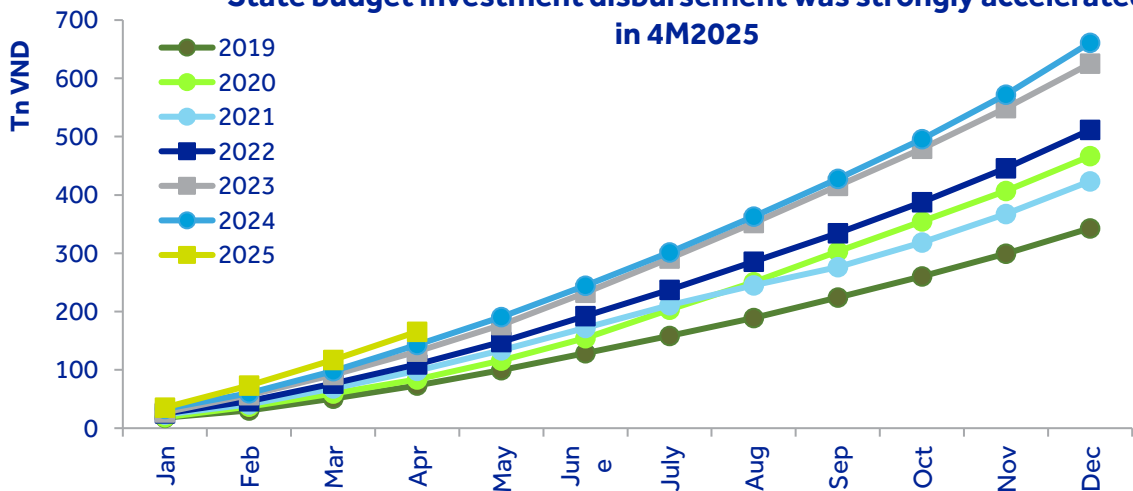
Inflation eases, with the four-month average dropping to 3.2%



Public investment disbursement continues to be accelerated

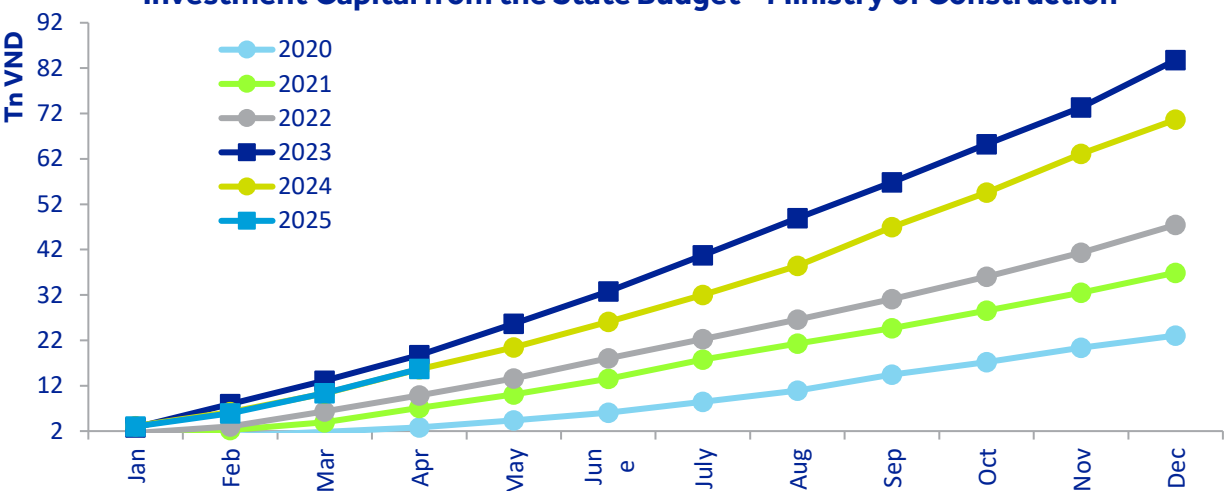
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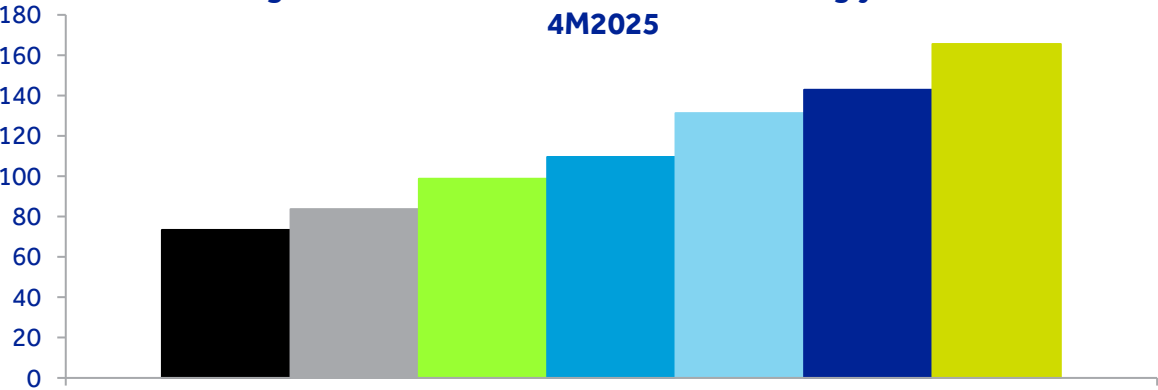
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Investment Capital from the State Budget - Ministry of Construction



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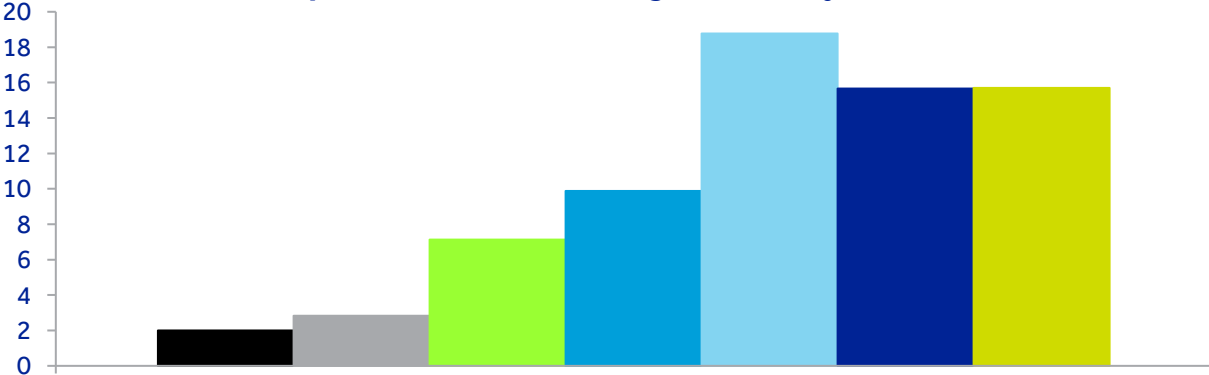
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Monthly data	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25
Industrial Production (YoY)	18.9%	-5.9%	4.8%	7.4%	10.0%	12.4%	11.1%	8.4%	8.3%	7.1%	8.0%	8.8%	-1.0%	17.6%	9.9%	8.8%
Purchasing Managers Index	50.3	50.4	49.9	50.3	50.3	54.7	54.7	52.4	47.3	51.2	50.8	49.8	48.9	49.2	50.5	45.6
Retail Sales (YoY)	8.1%	8.1%	8.2%	8.5%	8.7%	8.6%	8.7%	8.5%	8.8%	8.5%	8.8%	9.3%	9.5%	9.4%	10.8%	11.1%
Consumer Price Index (MoM)	2.7%	3.0%	2.8%	2.8%	2.7%	2.6%	2.6%	2.5%	2.5%	2.7%	2.7%	2.9%	3.1%	2.9%	3.1%	3.1%
Consumer Price Index (YoY)	3.4%	4.0%	4.0%	4.4%	4.4%	4.3%	4.4%	3.5%	2.6%	2.9%	2.8%	2.9%	3.6%	2.9%	3.1%	3.1%
Export Value (% YoY)	46.2%	-4.6%	13.8%	11.4%	11.1%	14.3%	20.5%	15.4%	11.1%	10.5%	8.4%	12.9%	-3.9%	26.0%	14.4%	20.6%
Import Value (% YoY)	34.6%	-1.2%	7.5%	15.2%	22.1%	15.5%	25.5%	15.1%	11.5%	13.8%	10.4%	19.0%	-2.7%	40.1%	18.6%	23.0%
Trade Balance (BnUSD)	3.6	1.4	2.6	1.1	-0.5	3.2	2.4	4.0	2.3	2.0	1.1	0.5	3.1	-1.5	1.6	0.6
Disbursed FDI (BnUSD)	1.5	1.3	1.8	1.7	2.0	2.6	1.7	1.6	3.2	2.2	2.1	3.7	1.5	1.4	2.0	1.8
Registered FDI exl Cap. Cont.(BnUSD)	2.3	1.8	1.7	2.6	1.7	3.5	2.2	2.0	3.5	2.4	3.7	6.4	4.0	2.4	3.1	2.5

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Quarterly data	Q1 2022	Q2 2022	Q3 2022	Q4 2022	Q1 2023	Q2 2022	Q3 2023	Q4 2023	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q1 2025
GDP (YoY)	5.1%	7.8%	13.7%	5.9%	3.3%	4.1%	5.5%	6.7%	5.9%	7.1%	7.4%	7.6%	6.9%
<i>Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing</i>	2.5%	3.1%	3.7%	3.9%	2.9%	3.7%	4.3%	4.1%	3.4%	3.6%	2.9%	3.0%	3.7%
<i>Industry and Construction</i>	6.4%	8.7%	12.2%	4.2%	-0.4%	2.1%	5.2%	7.4%	6.7%	8.6%	9.0%	8.4%	7.4%
<i>Services</i>	4.6%	8.9%	19.3%	8.1%	6.6%	6.2%	6.4%	7.3%	6.2%	7.1%	7.5%	8.2%	7.7%
Industrial Production (YoY)	6.8%	9.8%	10.9%	3.0%	-2.6%	-0.2%	2.8%	5.0%	5.9%	9.9%	9.3%	7.9%	7.8%
Retail Sales (YoY)	5.0%	20.1%	41.2%	17.1%	13.2%	8.8%	7.3%	9.3%	8.4%	9.1%	8.5%	9.3%	9.9%
Export Value (YTD) (BnUSD)	89.0	97.1	95.3	88.4	79.1	86.4	93.5	94.8	92.9	97.0	108.1	104.9	102.8
Import Value (YTD) (BnUSD)	87.5	97.3	90.0	83.5	75.5	79.2	84.8	88.5	85.3	93.2	99.4	101.3	99.6
Trade Balance (BnUSD)	1.5	-0.2	5.4	4.9	3.6	7.2	8.7	6.3	7.6	3.8	8.7	3.6	3.2
Disbursed FDI (BnUSD)	4.5	5.6	5.4	7.0	4.3	5.9	5.7	7.3	4.6	6.2	6.5	8.0	5.0
Registered FDI (BnUSD)	7.3	4.5	3.7	7.1	4.2	6.0	5.2	12.7	5.7	7.8	7.7	12.5	9.5

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