

Trump Tariff Implications - Canary in the dark mine...

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Trump tariff: Reciprocal at country level with sectoral exceptions

Minimum 10% to 49% tariff imposed



Reciprocal Tari	Tariffs Charged to the U.S.A. Including Currency Manipulation and Trade Barriers	U.S.A. Discounter Reciprocal Tariff
Peru	10%	10%
Nicaragua	36%	18%
Norway	30%	15%
Costa Rica	17%	10%
Jordan	40%	20%
Dominican Republic	10%	10%
United Arab Emirates	10%	10%
New Zealand	20%	10%
Argentina	10%	10%
Ecuador	12%	10%
Guatemala	10%	10%
Honduras	10%	10%
Madagascar	93%	47%
Myanmar (Burma)	88%	44%
Tunisia	55%	28%
Kazakhstan	54%	27%
Serbia	74%	37%
Egypt	10%	10%
Saudi Arabia	10%	10%
El Salvador	10%	10%
Côte d'Ivoire	41%	21%
Laos	95%	48%
Botswana	74%	37%
Trinidad and Tobago	12%	10%

Notable exceptions

Copper, pharmaceuticals, semiconductors, lumber, gold, energy and "certain minerals that are not available in the United States

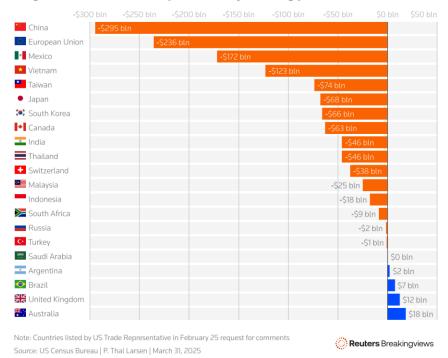
For India, biggest relief is this only pertains to goods trade and not services



Tariff didn't follow the sector-specific or rate-based reciprocity

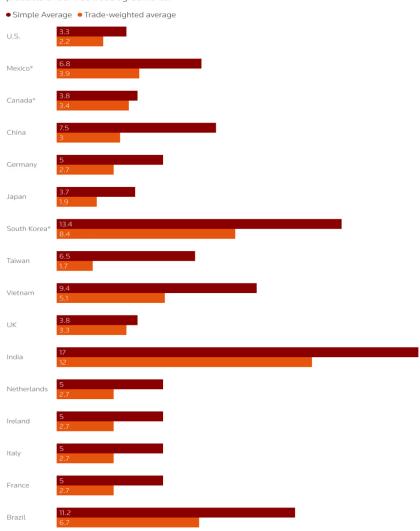
Seem to aim at tackling the trade deficit

US goods trade deficit or surplus with major trading partners in 2024



Average tariff rates of U.S. and its top 15 trading partners

Most-Favored Nation tariff rates by country, simple average for all products and trade-weighted average, in percent. *U.S. trade with Canada, Mexico and South Korea is duty-free for most products under free trade agreements.



Most countries have higher levels of tariff than US



Note: "The U.S. has free trade agreements with Canada and Mexico and with South Korea that eliminate nearly all tariffs between the member countries. Top U.S. trade partners are ranked by 2024 total bilateral goods trade as reported by the U.S. Census Bureau. By David Lawder • Source: World Trade Organization

What did it follow then? Seems a rather simple formula

Tariff seems to be aimed at deficit reduction

	Tariffs Charged to	U.S.A. Discounted	Trade Deficit / US
Country	the U.S.A.	Reciprocal Tariffs	Imports (Min 10%)
China	67%	34%	67%
European Union	39%	20%	38%
Vietnam	90%	46%	91%
Taiwan	64%	32%	64%
Japan	46%	24%	46%
India	52%	26%	52%
South Korea	50%	25%	50%
Thailand	72%	36%	72%
Switzerland	61%	31%	52%
Indonesia	64%	32%	64%
Malaysia	47%	24%	46%
Cambodia	97%	49%	97%
United Kingdom	10%	10%	10%
South Africa	60%	30%	59%
Brazil	10%	10%	10%
Bangladesh	74%	37%	73%
Singapore	10%	10%	10%
Israel	33%	17%	33%
Philippines	34%	17%	34%
Chile	10%	10%	10%
Australia	10%	10%	10%
Pakistan	58%	29%	59%
Turkey	10%	10%	12%
Sri Lanka	88%	44%	88%
Colombia	10%	10%	10%

St Pierre et Miquelon

Political status – French overseas territory Geography – Island off Canada Population – 5,800

Total Exports to US - \$3.5 million (mostly lobsters and crabs)

Total Imports from US – \$0.1 million

New US Tariff - 99%

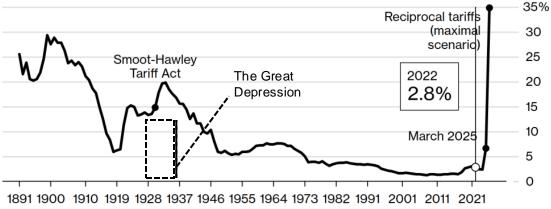


Impact: Higher uncertainty; chances of retaliation and rollback

Reciprocal Tariffs Could Raise Rates to Highest Since 1800s

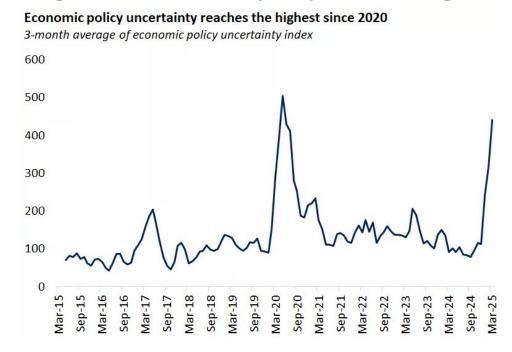
Average tariff levels on goods





Source: US ITC, Customs, Census Bureau, Bloomberg Economics
Note: March 2025 figure includes tariffs on China, aluminum, steel, and non-USMCA-compliant Mexico and Canada. Bloomberg Economics' maximal reciprocal tariff estimate includes non-trade barriers, VAT and other grievances. Estimates based on 2024 trade composition.

Heightened uncertainty may lead to stagflation



China on Thursday strongly condemned the sweeping new tariffs imposed by United States, declaring that it "firmly opposes" the measures and will implement "countermeasures to safeguard its own rights and interests".

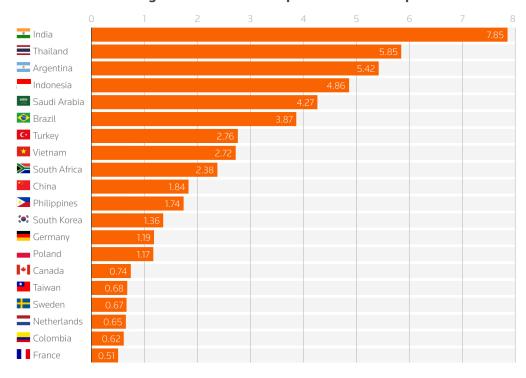
European Union chief Ursula von der Leyen described the tariffs as a major blow to the world economy and said the 27-member bloc was prepared to respond with countermeasures.



India – Escaping the Worst (despite Bessent's "Dirty 15")

India has one of the highest tariff rates

Countries with the highest tariffs on US imports relative to exports

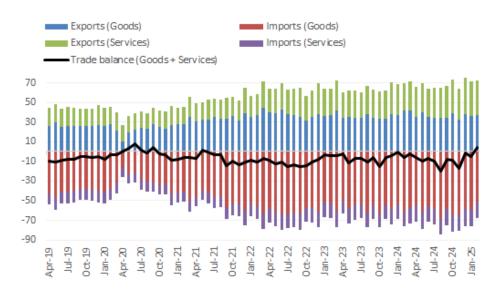


Note: Weighted average tariff differential in percentage points Source: UBS | P. Thal Larsen | March 31, 2025



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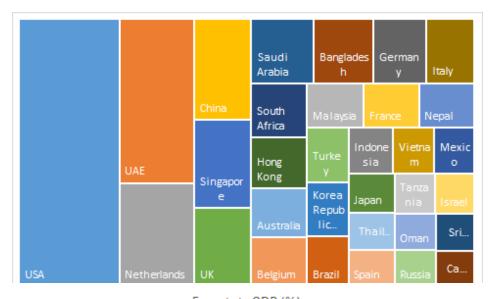
Services trade not directly targeted



India is drawing comfort from Section C of Clause 4 of Trump's executive order, which says that the administration will be ready to reduce or limit tariffs imposed "if a trading partner takes significant steps to remedy non-reciprocal trade arrangements and align sufficiently with US on economic and national security matters".

India Macro Impact – Can be significant unless we react smartly

US biggest export destination with ~20% share



India's
exports to
GDP
remained
stable after
a dip

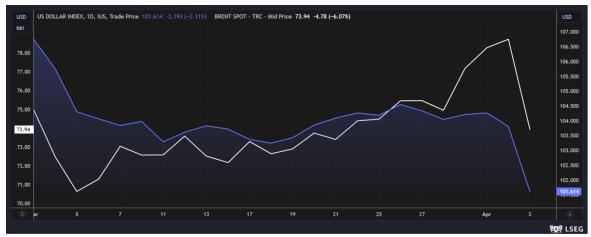


- US accounts for ~20% of Indian exports
- Significant parts of the above have been affected by new tariffs, especially as LatAM have better tariffs than India
- \$30bn shave-off in exports to US will mean ~0.8% of GDP
- Cross-country responses, especially of China, will determine the final impact
- The Bilateral Trade Agreement (BTA) becomes critical

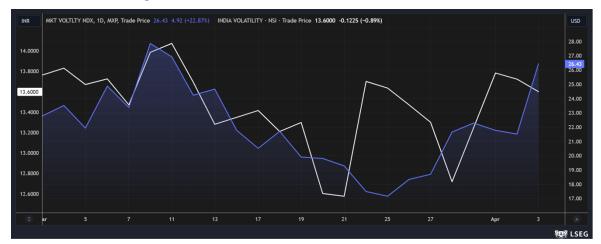


Impact on markets and economy: early indications

Oil and Dollar impacted



VIX Index up for both US and India





Bracing for impact

How much key tariff-exposed sectors contribute to countries' economies

Country	Pharmaceuticals	Semiconductors	Steel / Aluminum / Copper	Automobiles & Auto parts	Total %- pts of GDP
Mexico	0.0%	0.5%	0.3%	8.8%	9.7%
Malaysia	0.0%		0.1%	0.1%	4.2%
Canada	0.3%	0.1%	0.9%	2.8%	
Taiwan	0.1%		0.2%	0.4%	
Singapore	3.2%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	
South Korea	0.2%	0.5%	0.3%	2.3%	
Vietnam	0.0%	2.6%	0.2%	0.4%	
Thailand	0.0%	1.8%	0.2%	0.4%	2.4%
Switzerland	1.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.8%
Japan	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%	1.2%	1.6%
EU	0.7%	0.0%	0.1%	0.3%	1.2%
South Africa	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.5%	0.9%
Israel	0.3%	0.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.8%
India	0.3%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.5%
United Kingdom	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.5%
United Arab Emirates	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	0.4%
Brazil	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%
China	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Australia	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%
Indonesia	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%

Reuters | Marc Jones @marcjonesrtrs Source: JPMorgan

Tariff: The day impact

Country Impact

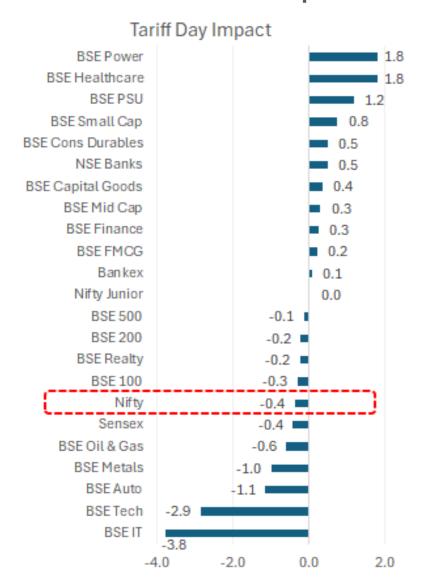




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India: Sectoral Impact



Gold and bond: The perfect storm shelters

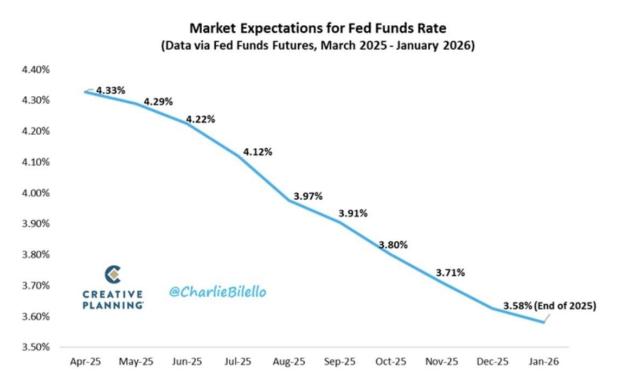
Steady as they go



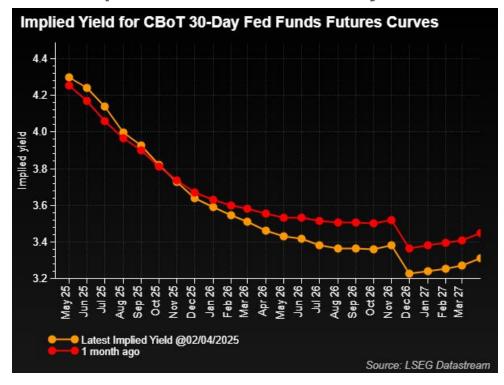


Rate cut expectations magnify during periods of uncertainty

Market now expects three rate cuts this year



Rate expectations eased recently





Source: CMIE, Refinitiv, ASK PW.

Advantage EM: Earnings-valuation combo still favourable

US/India expensive, China/EM holds value; while earnings are converging

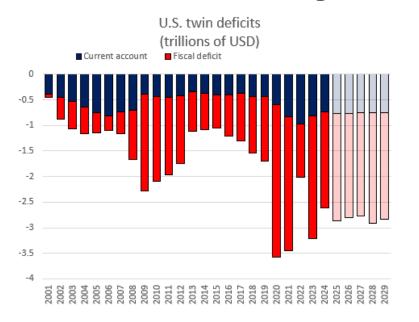
	EPS Growth						Cons. Valuations			
Index	2022	2023	2024E	2025E	2026E	CAGR 19-24E	CAGR 24-26E	25F PE	26F PE	Current 12mth Fwd PER
MSCI USA	6.5	3.0	11.4	11.7	14.6	10.4	13.2	21.5	18.8	20.6
MSCI China	2.4	11.5	17.5	8.8	12.0	8.8	10.4	11.6	10.4	11.4
MSCI Hong Kong	(2.5)	(6.2)	12.3	8.3	7.2	(2.1)	7.7	12.4	11.6	12.2
MSCI India	7.8	32.0	6.1	17.0	15.0	18.1	16.0	21.2	18.4	21.2
MSCI Indonesia	39.3	10.2	2.4	(0.5)	6.3	11.3	2.8	10.3	9.7	10.1
MSCI Korea	(15.7)	(42.9)	99.5	20.0	17.6	19.3	18.8	9.0	7.6	8.6
MSCI Malaysia	8.1	6.2	10.9	6.2	7.0	9.0	6.6	13.0	12.1	12.6
MSCI Philippines	25.1	25.9	18.0	8.7	9.5	9.9	9.1	10.5	9.6	10.2
MSCI Singapore	141.0	38.3	11.4	7.0	7.9	28.9	7.4	14.5	13.5	14.3
MSCI Taiwan	(5.3)	(20.1)	40.2	18.2	15.8	17.6	17.0	15.1	13.0	14.5
MSCI Thailand	25.2	6.6	8.4	12.0	10.0	4.9	11.0	14.4	13.1	14.0
MSCI South East Asia	114.4	13.3	22.6	6.6	8.1	24.5	7.4	13.2	12.2	12.9
MSCI Asia-ex-Japan	2.0	(1.9)	26.9	12.7	13.3	12.5	13.0	13.2	11.7	12.9
Emerging Markets	15.6	(5.3)	21.7	13.1	13.2	14.8	13.1	12.4	11.0	12.1
Dev Markets	10.4	1.4	8.5	9.7	13.2	9.9	11.5	19.1	16.9	18.4
Hang Seng	7.6	6.2	13.1	4.8	8.5	5.8	6.6	10.6	9.8	10.4
CSI 300	8.8	6.1	10.0	9.0	9.2	8.3	9.1	12.2	11.2	11.9

Source: IBES Consensus forecasts, MSCI, LSEG, Nomura research; data as on 1 April 2025 IBES Consensus forecasts, MSCI, LSEG, Nomura research; data as on 1 April 2025

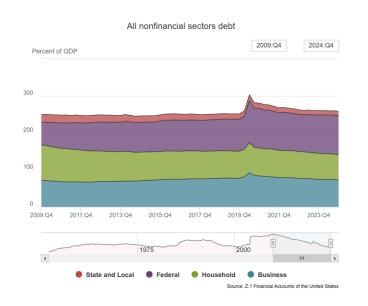


US equities: On Hold

Twin deficits would take long to correct



Government debt levels high



Suffered more from tariff

	Mar-25	QTD
US (S&P 500)	-3.0	-1.8
NASDAQ	-3.1	-5.4
Mexico (MEXBOL)	1.7	7.5
Canada (S&P/TSX)	-0.2	2.5
China (Sh Comp)	1.5	0.5
Hong Kong (HIS)	1.8	16.4
MSCI Emerging Markets	2.9	5.0
MSCI Golden Dragon	0.4	7.2
Europe	2.8	13.7
Germany	2.5	16.1
India (Nifty 50)	7.0	0.1

Risk factor – widely publicized bear events rarely play out as advertised!



Impact Analysis – Dart-board in the Dark...

- It's a waypoint, not an outcome there will be long months (maybe years) of negotiations
- The only definitive conclusion today is heightened uncertainty and volatility in financial markets
 - Gold is a natural beneficiary
 - Long-tenor G-Secs are a second beneficiary
 - Indian INVITs shine quite brightly (cash-flow assets with long durations in a soft interest rate environment)
- Indian Equity Impact
 - Pharma is a clear "phew" moment, but aside of that all sectoral analyses are coin-toss
 - India has multiple levers to balance trade with the US Oil, Gas, Defence. A Bilateral Trade Agreement will be reached soon
 - Decline in oil prices with economic uncertainty is an unmitigated positive for India, strengthens CAD further, opens further room for monetary easing
- EM equities remain interesting earnings-valuation trade-off, primarily due to China, is well-poised
- Incremental US Equities allocation time for a pause till the dust settles, swap out of tech-heavy portfolios and into more broad-based ones



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