

# **Country Indices Flash Report**

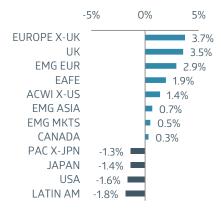
### Commentary\*

- Developed markets posted strong returns, driven by local share price gains and a weaker dollar. Uncertainty around Trump administration policy may be pressuring the dollar and boosting gold. EAFE's early-year outperformance vs. the U.S. index is the largest in 30 years.
- European shares led developed markets, while banking and defense stocks showed notable strength. Hopes for a U.S.-brokered Russia-Ukraine resolution and Europe's internal focus have modestly revalued its historically underpriced shares.
- Germany's elections saw an expected rightward shift, with the Conservative bloc (CDU-CSU) winning the largest share. The farright AfD gained support but is unlikely to join a coalition.
- Chinese shares rebounded as stimulus talk grew, and Xi Jinping's outreach to tech leaders, including Jack Ma, signaled a more businessfriendly stance.

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### COUNTRY/REGIONAL SNAPSHOT

February 2025 total return (MSCI indices)\* US\$ terms with net dividends



### TOTAL RETURN FOR SELECTED MSCI INDICES, US\$ TERMS WITH NET DIVIDENDS\* (for periods ended 02/28/2025)

COUNTRY/REGION	1 MO.	3 MOS.	2025 YTD	12 MOS.	CAL 2024
USA	-1.6%	-1.3%	1.4%	18.1%	24.6%
ALL COUNTRY WORLD EX-USA	1.4%	3.4%	5.5%	9.7%	5.5%
Canada	0.3%	-2.8%	3.1%	15.5%	11.9%
EAFE (Europe, Aus, Far East)	1.9%	4.9%	7.3%	8.8%	3.8%
Japan	-1.4%	-0.2%	0.2%	0.7%	8.3%
UK	3.5%	5.9%	8.9%	18.7%	7.5%
PACIFIC EX-JAPAN	-1.3%	-3.6%	2.2%	10.2%	4.6%
Australia	-4.2%	-7.3%	0.7%	4.1%	1.2%
Hong Kong	6.9%	3.9%	4.4%	10.7%	0.1%
Singapore	2.8%	6.2%	7.4%	47.4%	32.3%
EUROPE EX-UK	3.7%	8.8%	11.4%	9.1%	0.1%
France	2.1%	10.4%	10.3%	1.7%	-5.3%
Germany	3.9%	12.5%	13.6%	21.5%	10.2%
Netherlands	-0.3%	4.4%	4.9%	-4.5%	1.4%
Spain	9.6%	16.0%	18.4%	33.6%	9.8%
Italy	6.0%	14.7%	14.3%	19.9%	11.3%
Finland	4.3%	8.7%	11.3%	7.3%	-7.3%
Belgium	4.3%	4.5%	6.6%	18.6%	8.5%
Denmark	5.5%	-10.3%	3.8%	-16.9%	-12.9%
Norway	0.7%	3.3%	8.8%	14.2%	-4.3%
Sweden	5.6%	12.4%	15.9%	11.0%	-3.7%
Switzerland	3.5%	7.4%	11.9%	12.5%	-2.0%
Israel	-1.7%	7.7%	2.8%	28.4%	38.3%
EMERGING MARKETS	0.5%	2.1%	2.3%	10.1%	7.5%
South Africa	0.5%	0.0%	5.9%	27.0%	6.7%
Saudi Arabia	-1.5%	4.1%	1.0%	-4.0%	0.6%
EMERGING EUROPE	2.9%	12.5%	11.6%	10.4%	5.0%
Greece	4.1%	19.6%	12.2%	11.7%	8.9%
Poland	8.2%	21.6%	22.9%	11.5%	-6.7%
Turkey LATIN AMERICA	-4.6% -1.8%	-3.2% 0.9%	-3.1% 7.5%	0.3% -16.7%	17.8% -26.4%
Brazil	-1.8%	-1.7%	7.5%	-10.7%	-26.4%
Chile	4.0%	13.1%	13.1%	-20.5%	-29.8%
Mexico	4.0% 3.2%	4.0%	7.1%	-18.2%	-7.5%
EMERGING ASIA	0.7%	4.0%	1.4%	13.2%	12.0%
China	11.8%	15.8%	12.8%	39.0%	19.4%
India	-8.0%	-13.9%	-11.3%	-6.2%	19.4%
Indonesia	-8.0%	-13.9%	-11.5%	-28.5%	-12.9%
Korea	-0.3%	-1.8%	6.0%	-28.5%	-23.4%
Malaysia	0.4%	-1.7%	-4.4%	13.2%	20.7%
5	-4.4%	3.0%	-1.2%	27.4%	34.4%
Taiwan	-4 4 %-				

### CURRENCY RETURN VS. USD\* (for periods ended 02/28/2025)

	1 MO.	3 MOS.	2025 YTD	12 MOS.	CAL 2024
Australian Dollar	-0.3%	-4.5%	0.4%	-4.5%	-9.3%
Canadian Dollar	0.5%	-2.8%	-0.2%	-5.8%	-8.3%
Euro	0.0%	-1.5%	0.4%	-3.9%	-6.3%
Yen	2.8%	-0.3%	4.3%	-0.7%	-10.3%
Swiss Franc	0.6%	-2.4%	0.4%	-2.4%	-7.1%
British Pound	1.3%	-0.9%	0.5%	-0.5%	-1.8%

Sources: Bailard, MSCI.

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