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## **Capital Markets Update**

## **Market Commentary**

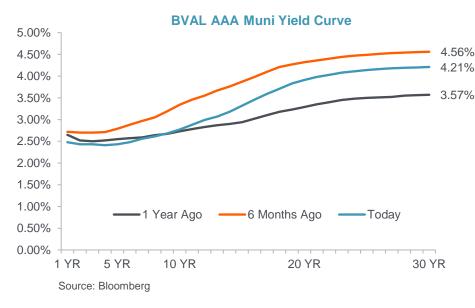
Treasury yields increased last week, as the 10-year and 30-year yield both rose 12 bps. Municipal yields followed to a lesser extent, as the 10-year yield rose 2 bps, and the 30-year yield rose 5 bps. Municipal bond flows experienced \$736 million of inflows, following \$682 million of inflows in the prior week. Consumer sentiment improved in early December for the first time in five months, but the headline index still sits close to its lowest levels in nearly 50 years. On a three-month moving average, both ADP and nonfarm payrolls have been drifting lower, signaling a more subdued picture of labor demand. Headline PCE edged up by 0.1% in September, while core PCE dipped by 0.1% year-over-year. Despite these small moves, both measures have remained largely rangebound for the past 20 months, showing no evidence of runaway tariff-driven inflation. Overall inflation trends remain benign, and the Fed's preferred supercore PCE continues to drift lower. Although this report is slightly dated, this is the last major inflation release before next week's Fed meeting. Combined with softer spending, it strengthens the case for a 25 bp rate cut, with the current probability of the Federal Reserve cutting rates this Wednesday nearing 90%.

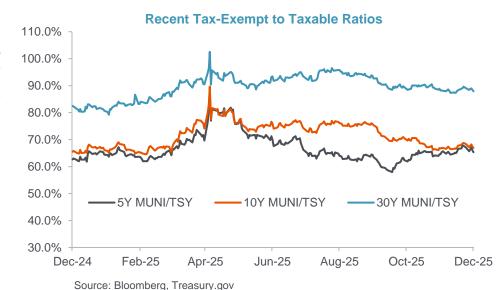
**US Treasury Market** 

**Tax-Exempt Market** 

**Tax-Exempt to Taxable Ratios** 

| US Treasury | Current<br>Yield | Weekly<br>Change | BVAL "AAA"<br>Muni Yield | Current<br>Yield | Weekly<br>Change | Muni / TSY<br>Ratio | Current<br>Ratio | Previous<br>Week |
|-------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 1 Year      | 3.61%            | 0 bps            | 1 Year                   | 2.48%            | -2 bps           | 5Y Muni / TSY       | 65.3%            | 67.1%            |
| 5 Year      | 3.72%            | 13 bps           | 5 Year                   | 2.43%            | 2 bps            | 10Y Muni / TSY      | 66.9%            | 68.4%            |
| 10 Year     | 4.14%            | 12 bps           | 10 Year                  | 2.77%            | 2 bps            | 30Y Muni / TSY      | 87.9%            | 89.1%            |
| 20 Year     | 4.75%            | 13 bps           | 20 Year                  | 3.91%            | 4 bps            |                     |                  |                  |
| 30 Year     | 4.79%            | 12 bps           | 30 Year                  | 4.21%            | 5 bps            |                     |                  |                  |





# **Healthcare Market Update**

## **Pricings last week**

Piper Sandler was in the market last week with Greater Philadelphia Health Action (PA).

| Selected Healthcare Financings Priced the Week of 12/1/2025 |                        |                   |                   |              |          |                           |                         |
|---|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|----------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Borrower  | Par Amount<br>(\$000s) | Rating<br>(M/S/F) | Spread            | Coupon/Yield | Maturity | Tax Status                | Purpose                 |
| Greater Philadelphia Health Action (PA)                     | \$49,605               | NR/NR/BBB-        | 1.67%             | 6.25%/5.88%  | 2055     | Tax-Exempt                | New Money and Refunding |
| Greater Philadelphia Health Action (PA)                     | 8,965                  | NR/NR/BBB-        | 3.60%<br>(7Y TSY) | 7.50%/7.50%  | 2032     | Taxable (Corporate CUSIP) | New Money and Refunding |
| The Johns Hopkins Health System (MD)                        | 359,755                | Aa2/AA-/AA-       | 0.38%             | 5.25%/4.59%  | 2055     | Tax-Exempt                | New Money and Refunding |
| Total   | \$418,325              |                   |                   |              |          |                           |                         |

## **Expected pricings this week**

Mercy Health Corporation (WI) and Kennedy Krieger Institute (MD) are expected to price issues this week.

| Selected Healthcare Financings Expected the Week of 12/8/2025 |                        |                   |                       |            |                         |  |  |
|---|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| Borrower  | Par Amount<br>(\$000s) | Rating<br>(M/S/F) | Expected Pricing Date | Tax Status | Purpose                 |  |  |
| Mercy Health Corporation (WI) <sup>1</sup>                    | \$527,885              | NR/NR/NR          | 12/11                 | Tax-Exempt | Refunding               |  |  |
| Kennedy Krieger Institute (MD)                                | \$80,340               | NR/BBB-/BBB-      | 12/11                 | Tax-Exempt | New Money and Refunding |  |  |
| Kennedy Krieger Institute (MD)                                | 14,004                 | NR/BBB-/BBB-      | 12/11                 | Taxable    | New Money and Refunding |  |  |
| Total   | \$622,229              |                   |                       |            |                         |  |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes mandatory tender bonds.

## **Recent rating actions**

| Selected Moody's Rating Actions for the Week of 12/1 |                     |                 |  |  |  |
|--|---------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| Borrower   | Rating<br>(Outlook) | Note            |  |  |  |
| Jefferson Health (PA)                                | A3 (Neg)            | Revised to Neg  |  |  |  |
| Mosaic Health System (MO)                            | A1 (Sta)            | Rating affirmed |  |  |  |
| Broward Health (FL)                                  | A3 (Pos)            | Upgraded        |  |  |  |

| Borrower                       | Rating<br>(Outlook) | Note           |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Children's Mercy Hospital (MO) | AA- (Pos)           | Revised to Pos |
| Ballad Health (TN)             | A- (Pos)            | Revised to Pos |

| Selected Fitch Rating Actions for the Week of 12/1 |                     |                 |  |  |  |
|--|---------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| Borrower   | Rating<br>(Outlook) | Note            |  |  |  |
| John Muir Health (CA)                              | A (Sta)             | Rating affirmed |  |  |  |
| Duke University Health (NC)                        | AA- (Sta)           | Rating affirmed |  |  |  |
| Orlando Health (FL)                                | AA- (Sta)           | Rating affirmed |  |  |  |

# **Fixed Income Analytics Group**

### In-depth market analysis

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#### PCE and Personal Income (Soft Spending, Tame Inflation)

"Nominal personal spending softened notably in September, with year-over-year spending growth slipping below income growth for the first time in five months. That likely helped keep the savings rate steady after four consecutive monthly declines. The weakness in spending was concentrated in motor vehicles, recreational goods, clothing, and footwear. By contrast, income growth was supported by higher wages and compensation, as well as increased income from interest and dividends. Headline PCE edged up by 0.1% in September, while core PCE dipped by 0.1% year-over-year. Despite these small moves, both measures have remained largely rangebound for the past 20 months, showing no evidence of runaway tariff-driven inflation. This partly reflects the relatively small weight of goods in the PCE indexes, but more importantly, consumer goods prices continue to show limited upward pressure, indicating minimal tariff pass-through so far. Overall inflation trends remain benign, and the Fed's preferred 'super-core' PCE (services excluding energy and housing) continues to drift lower. Although this report is slightly dated, this is the last major inflation release before next week's Fed meeting. Combined with softer spending, it strengthens the case for a 25 bp rate cut."

#### Initial Jobless Claims (Claims Hit Three-Year Low)

"Initial jobless claims fell last week to their lowest level since September 2022, challenging again the broader narrative of a weakening labor market. However, the data include the Thanksgiving holiday so some of the move likely reflects holiday related distortions. On a non-seasonally adjusted basis, the largest drops came from California, Texas and New York. Continuing claims, a proxy for the number of people receiving benefits, edged down from the prior week but remain above the 1.9 million mark and close to the highest levels seen since late 2021. That's consistent with a labor market that isn't seeing a surge in layoffs but is also slower at reabsorbing unemployed workers in a 'no fire, no hire' environment. Despite the low claims, other signals look much weaker. Challenger, Gray & Christmas reported 71.3k announced job cuts in November, down sharply from October but still 24% higher than a year ago. Meanwhile, ADP private payrolls fell in November and have been negative in three of the past six months. On a three-month moving average, both ADP and nonfarm payrolls have been drifting lower, signaling a more subdued picture of labor demand. In short, the labor market remains murky. Conflicting signals, including resilient claims data versus soft hiring and rising layoffs, make it harder for the Fed to assess true labor market strength ahead of its upcoming meeting. Still, markets are unfazed, with futures pricing in a 92% probability of a 25 bp rate cut at the December FOMC meeting."

## University of Michigan Sentiment Survey (Pessimism Persists Despite Marginal Gain)

"Consumer sentiment improved in early December for the first time in five months, but the headline index still sits close to its lowest levels in nearly 50 years. Although views of current conditions held steady, consumer outlook improved in December, led by a more optimistic view of personal finances. Gains were broadbased across age, income, education, and political affiliation, though the improvement was most pronounced among younger consumers. Still, the overall tone remains cautious, with many respondents continuing to cite the strain of high prices. While there are modest signs of momentum, sentiment is still subdued by historical standards. Near- and long-term inflation expectations both declined again. One-year inflation expectations fell to 4.1% from 4.5%, and long-run expectations eased to 3.2% from 3.4%, the lowest readings since early 2025. Both remain elevated relative to pre-tariff and pre-pandemic norms but are well below their peak in April 2025 and continue to drift lower. However, a stark partisan divide persists as Democrats now expect inflation of 5.2% over the next year, compared to just 1.5% among Republicans. Despite the small uptick in the headline index, Americans remain deeply cautious. Expectations for business conditions, labor markets, and real household income are still near historically weak levels, and buying conditions for big-ticket items hit a new record low depressed by high prices and borrowing costs. In other words, sentiment improved at the margin, but the overall message from the survey is one of persistent pessimism."

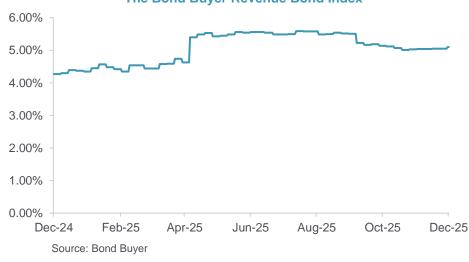
## **Rate Movements Last 12 Months**

## Long-term and short-term rates

### **Long-Term Rates**

## The Bond Buyer Revenue Bond Index

| Index               | Current | Max    | Min   | Average |
|---------------------|---------|--------|-------|---------|
| BBRBI               | 5.10%   | 5.59%  | 4.27% | 5.01%   |
| 10Y Muni            | 2.77%   | 3.89%  | 2.70% | 3.09%   |
| 10Y Treasury        | 4.14%   | 4.79%  | 3.97% | 4.31%   |
| SIFMA               | 1.92%   | 4.41%  | 1.62% | 2.67%   |
| SOFR                | 3.93%   | 4.65%  | 3.91% | 4.30%   |
| SIFMA/SOFR<br>Ratio | 48.9%   | 101.8% | 36.5% | 62.3%   |

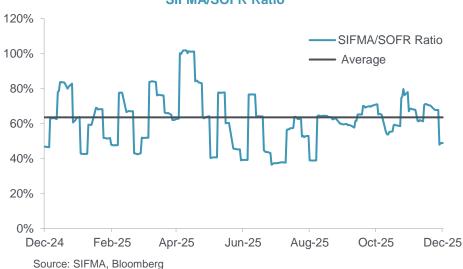


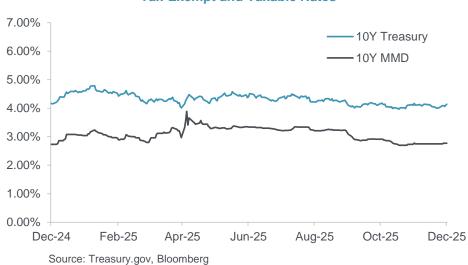
#### **Short-Term Rates**

### **Long-Term Rates**

#### SIFMA/SOFR Ratio

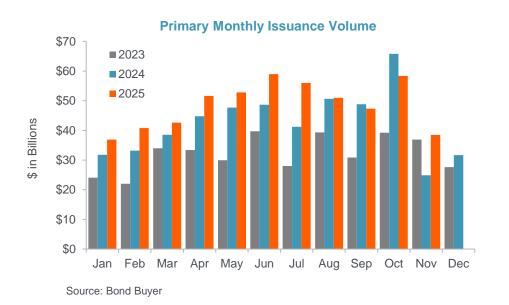
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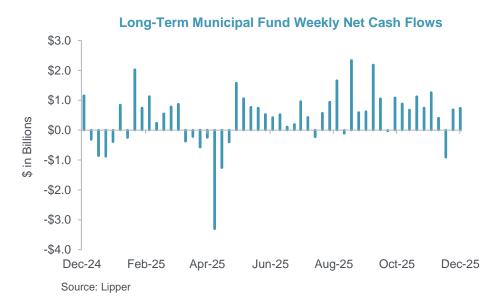
Bond Buyer Revenue Bond Index (BBRBI) shows the average yield on a basket of 25 revenue bonds with 30-year maturities and an average rating equivalent to Moody's "A1" and S&P's "A+." Bloomberg's BVAL AAA Callable Curve (Muni) is the yield curve of the highest-rated ("AAA" GO) municipal bonds.

# **Municipal Bond Supply and Economic Calendar**



#### **Economic Outlook**







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