

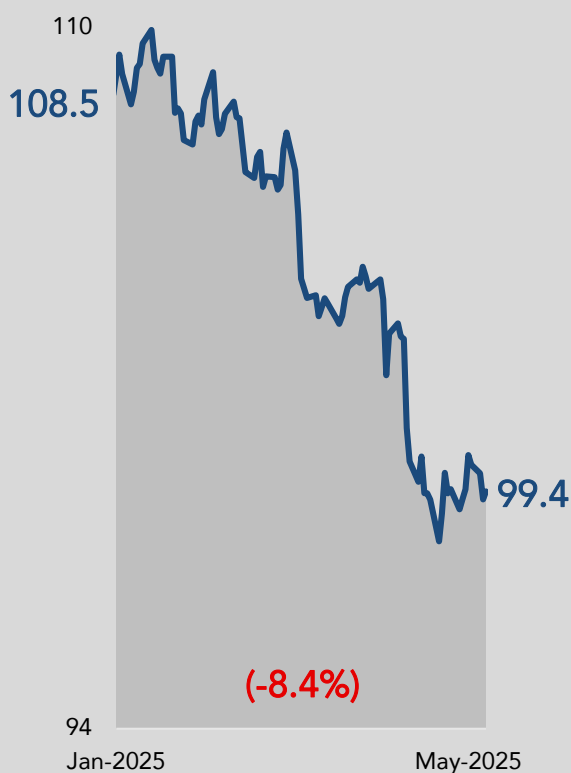
Chart of the Day



Though trade wars undoubtedly create growth and volatility headwinds, Asian economies will benefit near term from the magnitude of (1) USD weakness; (2) lower energy prices and (3) China stimulus.

#1: USD weakness

USD index in 2025 YTD



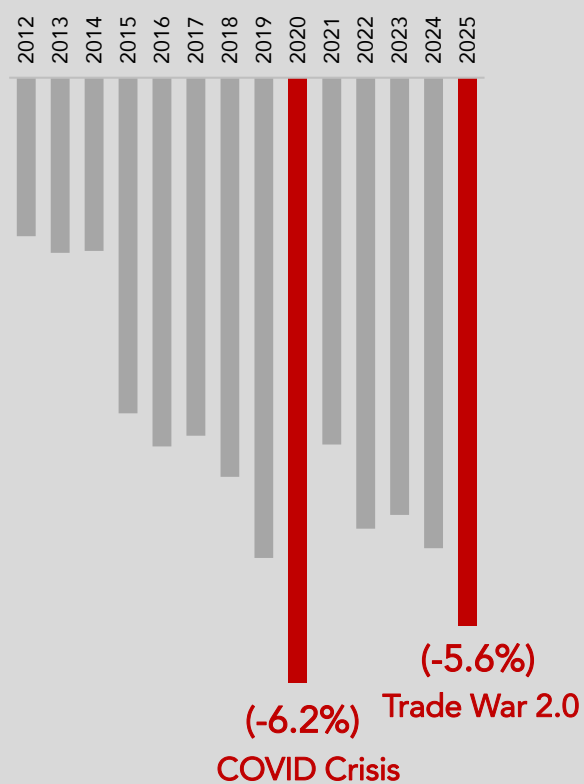
#2: Lower energy prices

Brent in 2025 YTD



#3: China stimulus

China budget balance, % of GDP



Source: (1-3) Bloomberg. Data as of May 7, 2025.

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“Macro stability isn’t everything, but without it, you have nothing.”