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Macroeconomic & Capital Market Update

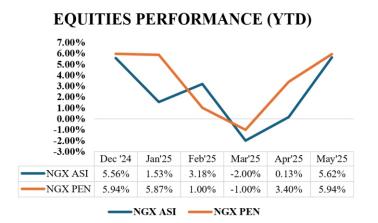
▶ Monetary Policy & Inflation

Nigeria's headline inflation rate eased to 23.71% year-on-year in April, down from 24.23% in March, driven by lower food prices and reduced transport costs. On a month-on-month basis, inflation slowed sharply to 1.86%, a significant drop from 3.90% in March. In response, the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) held the Monetary Policy Rate steady at 27.50% to manage inflation expectations and stabilize the naira. Other key policy rates, including the CRR and liquidity ratio, also remained unchanged.

▶ Capital Market Overview

The Nigerian Exchange (NGX) posted a strong performance in April, with the NGX-ASI rising 5.6% month-on-month, driven by robust Q1 earnings and renewed investor interest. Year-to-date market returns rose to 8.6%, while market capitalization hit \$\pm 70.5\$ trillion.

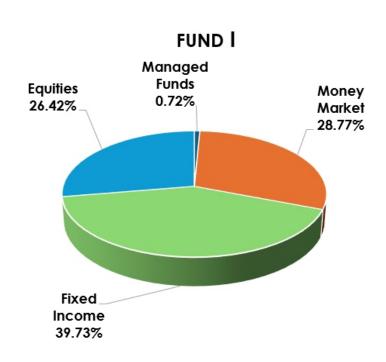
Top traded stocks included UBA, FIDELITYBK, and ACCESSCORP, while sectors like Consumer Goods and AFR-ICT led the rally. Oil & Gas lagged, recording a 1.2% decline due to underperformance by ETERNA and SEPLAT.

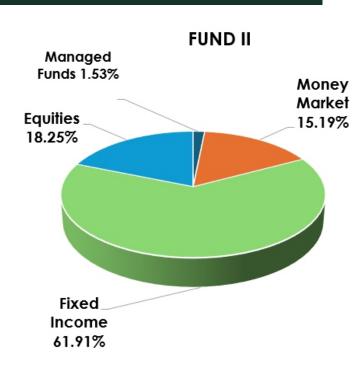


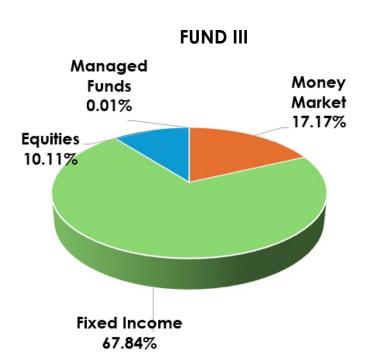
Fund Returns

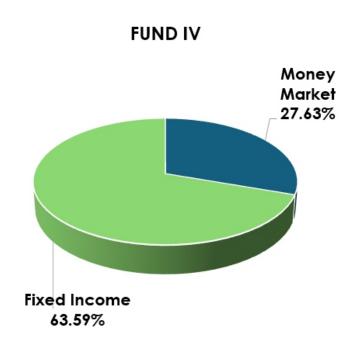
FUND	Dec 2025	May 2025	% Change
FUND I	1.9802	2.1398	8.1%
FUND II	5.8673	6.259	6.7%
FUND III	2.3163	2.4608	6.2%
FUND IV	5.7456	6.1178	6.5%
FUND V	1.662	1.7657	6.2%
FUND VI ACTIVE	1.4612	1.5499	6.1%
FUND VI RETIREE	1.054	1.1154	5.8%

Funds' Asset Allocation as of 31st May 2025









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- Reduce Delays
- Enhance Monitoring and Compliance

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Wellness Corner: Stay Safe This Rainy Season

The rainy season is here, and with it comes a higher risk of common illnesses like malaria, cholera, typhoid, and respiratory infections. But a few smart habits can help keep you and your loved ones healthy:

Guard Against Malaria

- Use insecticide-treated nets at night.
- Clear stagnant water around your home to stop mosquitoes from breeding.
- Wear protective clothing during evening hours.

Watch What You Eat and Drink

- Avoid roadside or uncovered food which can carry bacteria.
- Drink clean, boiled, or bottled water to prevent waterborne diseases like typhoid and cholera.
- Wash fruits and vegetables thoroughly before eating.

Boost Your Immunity

- Eat a balanced diet rich in vitamin C (oranges, pineapples, leafy greens).
- Take warm showers, wear dry clothing, and stay warm to prevent cold and flu.
- Get enough sleep and reduce stress to keep your immune system strong.

Don't Forget Hand Hygiene

- Always wash your hands with soap and clean water, especially after using public transport or handling money.
- Carry hand sanitizer when you're out and about.
- Let's prioritize our health this season. A little extra care goes a long way.

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