

## SG Market: Straits Times Index remain resilient despite global challenges

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The Singapore economy has delivered a commendable GDP growth of 4.3% in 2Q 2025 despite heightened global volatility.<sup>1</sup> Reflecting this resilience, the Straits Times Index (STI) has posted a year-to-date gain of approximately 11.35%. This strong performance is underpinned by Singapore's defensive and attractive qualities, which include pro-business policies, political stability, low inflation, a strong credit rating, and sound governance.<sup>2</sup> While ongoing challenges such as the Middle East crisis and Trump's trade tensions are expected to persist throughout the rest of 2025, the reduced volatility of Singapore stocks, coupled with their mature business models, should help provide a measure of stability amid uncertainty.<sup>2</sup>

### Blue-chip stocks

Blue-chip stocks in Singapore represent companies with longstanding histories and proven stability. Their size and reliability enable them to withstand market downturns better than most, making them potentially safer investments for preserving capital. For example, Singaporean banks have thrived in the rising interest rate environment, with record profits driving their share prices to historic highs.<sup>3</sup> However, with the US Federal Reserve potentially poised to lower interest rates soon<sup>4</sup>, banks may face headwinds from a less favourable rate environment.<sup>5</sup> Despite this, the financial sector in Singapore could remain supported by resilient yields and strong inflows from domestic fund subscriptions<sup>6</sup>, helping to cushion any negative impact. While some other blue-chip stocks may seem dull, they often provide stronger defense, which is an advantage in volatile markets.

### Real Estate Investment Trusts

The performance of the Singapore Real Estate Investment Trusts (S-REITs) is expected to be heavily influenced by economic data. The decline in yields on 10-year Singapore government bonds has provided some relief to S-REIT share prices.<sup>7</sup> Lower interest rates reduce financing costs for REITs, making their dividends comparatively more attractive.<sup>7</sup> Currently, the FTSE ST REIT Index is trading near the upper end of a minor base formation within the 650 to 680 range. Additionally, the FTSE ST REIT Index has moved above its flat 200-day moving average, while quarterly momentum has broken above its equilibrium line, suggesting that a potential breakout may be imminent.



### Looking beyond

Source: Bloomberg, extracted on 28 Jul 2025

The 14-day RSI of the Straits Times Index (STI) has climbed to levels not seen in five years, signalling that the market may be overbought. While there is no sign of negative divergence between the index and its technical indicators, a short-term pause in the rally appears likely as the STI consolidates around the 4,100 zone, helping to ease the immediate overbought conditions.<sup>8</sup> Since the 4,000 level previously served as resistance during the advance, it is now anticipated to act as support during this correction or consolidation phase.<sup>8</sup> Additionally, the 50-, 100-, and 200-day moving averages are all trending positively on the daily chart.<sup>8</sup> Taken together, these technical factors indicate that the STI's target of 4,400 likely remains within reach in the near term.



# Straits Times Index

Below are the stocks based on market cap

Ticker	Name	Market Cap	Price [SGD]	Earning Announcement Date	Analysts' Consensus 12M Target Price [SGD]	Potential returns from Analyst Consensus	Dividend Yield
Top 20 Straits Times Index Stocks based on Market Cap							
DBS SP	DBS GROUP HOLDINGS LTD	137.48B	48.66	07/08/2025	47.43	-2.53%	6.19%
OCBC SP	OVERSEA CHINESE BANK CORP	76.53B	17.10	01/08/2025	17.46	2.10%	4.99%
ST SP	SINGAPORE TELECOM	66.55B	4.07	13/11/2025	4.35	6.86%	4.69%
UOB SP	UNITED OVERSEAS BANK LTD	60.86B	36.90	07/08/2025	38.27	3.71%	4.91%
STE SP	ST ENGINEERING	27.16B	8.71	14/08/2025	8.38	-3.82%	1.95%
SIA SP	SINGAPORE AIRLINES LTD	21.37B	7.60	13/11/2025	6.82	-10.29%	5.67%
WIL SP	WILMAR INTERNATIONAL LTD	18.79B	2.99	12/08/2025	3.40	13.68%	5.32%
SGX SP	SINGAPORE EXCHANGE LTD	16.80B	15.78	08/08/2025	14.91	-5.50%	2.29%
JM SP	JARDINE MATHESON	16.65B	55.32	31/07/2025	59.90	8.28%	3.99%
CICT SP	CAPITALAND INTEG COMM	16.02B	2.21	05/08/2025	2.36	6.83%	4.94%
KEP SP	KEPPEL LTD	14.85B	8.20	31/07/2025	8.65	5.46%	4.16%
CLI SP	CAPITALAND INVESTMENT	14.06B	2.83	14/08/2025	3.39	19.89%	4.26%
SCI SP	SEMBCORP INDUSTRIES LTD	13.61B	7.68	08/08/2025	8.08	5.25%	3.01%
HKL SP	HONGKONG LAND HLDG	13.86B	6.26	29/07/2025	6.42	2.56%	3.62%
CLAR SP	CAPITALAND ASCENDAS REIT	12.90B	2.81	04/08/2025	3.13	11.44%	5.41%
THBEV SP	THAI BEVERAGE PCL	11.81B	0.47	07/11/2025	0.60	28.34%	5.25%
YZJSGD SP	YANGZIJIAN SHIPBUILDING	9.92B	2.56	21/08/2025	3.13	22.07%	4.76%
GENS SP	GENTING SINGAPORE LTD	8.94B	0.75	07/08/2025	0.92	23.94%	5.41%
STM SP	SEATRIUM LTD	8.02B	2.42	31/07/2025	2.76	14.05%	0.63%
MPACT SP	MAPLETREE PAN ASIA COM TR	6.85B	1.29	30/07/2025	1.37	6.50%	6.08%
Top 20 Singapore Real Estate Investment Trusts based on Market Cap							
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MLT SP	MAPLETREE LOGISTICS TR	6.04B	1.20	22/10/2025	1.32	10.32%	6.66%
MINT SP	MAPLETREE INDUSTRIAL TR	5.87B	2.07	29/10/2025	2.30	10.95%	6.61%
KDCREIT SP	KEPPEL DC REIT	5.28B	2.37	23/01/2026	2.48	4.69%	4.39%
FCT SP	FRASERS CENTREPOINT TRUST	4.50B	2.20	24/10/2025	2.53	15.06%	5.53%
KREIT SP	KEPPEL REIT	3.69B	0.94	30/07/2025	0.99	5.00%	5.89%
SUN SP	SUNTEC REIT	3.47B	1.19	26/01/2026	1.22	2.67%	5.40%
CLAS SP	CAPITALAND ASCOTT TRUST	3.44B	0.91	29/07/2025	1.11	22.49%	3.85%
FLT SP	FRASERS LOG & COMME	3.30B	0.89	07/11/2025	1.00	12.69%	6.88%
PREIT SP	PARKWAYLIFE REAL ESTATE	2.63B	4.05	05/08/2025	4.85	19.63%	3.53%
EREIT SP	ESR-REIT	2.15B	2.64	29/07/2025	2.81	6.53%	8.39%
OUEREIT SP	OU RE INVESTMENT TR	1.68B	0.31	23/01/2026	0.34	11.34%	7.35%
CLCT SP	CAPITALAND CHINA TRUST	1.34B	0.78	30/07/2025	0.78	0.00%	6.86%
FHT SP	FRASERS HOSPITALITY TRUST	1.36B	0.70	11/11/2025	N/A	N/A	2.91%
LREIT SP	LENDLEASE GLOBAL COMM	1.36B	0.55	04/08/2025	0.61	11.52%	6.47%
SGREIT SP	STARHILL GLOBAL REIT	1.24B	0.55	29/07/2025	0.57%	0.05%	6.67%
FEHT SP	FAR EAST HOSPITALITY TRUST	1.23B	0.62	30/07/2025	0.64	4.88%	6.82%
AAREIT SP	AIMS APAC REIT	1.14B	1.39	04/11/2025	1.42	2.40%	7.38%

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