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WHAT DROVE MARKETS?

Asia equities closed broadly higher, with a sharp relief rally across AI and semiconductor supply chains driving the region's risk-on move. Hynix's earnings beat and shareholder-return announcement helped restore confidence in the AI trade, while strength across semiconductors and other secular growth names supported sentiment more broadly. China also participated as AI supply chains rebounded and growth outperformed value, while Hong Kong edged higher despite continued caution in options markets. The rally was less broad outside Tech, with defensives lagging in several markets. ASEAN and India underperformed amid persistent foreign outflows, IT weakness and macro headwinds. Overall, the session marked a strong reversal in AI sentiment, though positioning and underlying conviction remained mixed heading deeper into earnings season.

CHART WE'RE WATCHING

Start Date	Starting Fed Funds Target Rate	End Date	Ending Fed Funds Target Rate	Total Tightening (basis points)	Number of Months
March 1983	8.50	August 1984	11.50	300	16
March 1988	6.50	May 1989	9.81	331	14
February 1994	3.00	February 1995	6.00	300	12
March 1997	5.25	March 1997	5.50	25	0
June 1999	4.75	May 2000	6.50	175	11
June 2004	1.00	June 2006	5.25	425	24
December 2015	0.25	December 2015	0.50	25	0
December 2016	0.50	December 2018	2.50	200	24
March 2022	0.25	July 2023	5.50	525	16
September 2026	*3.75*	--	--	--	--

Source: Marquee, 28 October 2026, Past performance is not indicative of future results

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Australia: ASX200 -0.03%. Australia equities traded broadly flat, pulling back from earlier session highs as initial strength in miners faded. Mining stocks led gains in early trade, with Perseus maintaining its production forecast and Pilbara Minerals raising capex guidance, while Q3 CPI remained the key macro

catalyst in focus. AUD/USD was broadly stable at 0.7031, up 0.09%, while 2Y and 10Y government bond yields stood at 4.947% and 5.208%, respectively.

Taiwan: TAIEX +2.04%. Taiwan rebounded close to 1k points to finish above 47k points and quarterly MA. Ex-TSMC tech such as Mediatek+6.9% led the rally. Secular sectors saw meaningful rebound, while the most crowded long ABF saw great volatility. Sentiment turned more positive with more micro news to support the structure, but overall trading still feels shaky and direction-less. Non-Tech paled against Tech today, indicating risk-on sentiment back on track.

Korea: KOSPI +7.41%. KOSPI surged today, with gains led by the AI supply chain, as SK HYNIX(000660) +10.9%'s 3Q earnings print (8% OP beat) and conference call helped restore investor confidence in AI and lift the index back above its 6,000-handle. Foreigners and local instos notably extended their 2-day net-buying streak in KOSPI, with buying focused in Tech (+$585mn/+$638mn), while retail investors profit took. SK HYNIX took center stage today, following its 3Q earnings print and the announcement of W100tn shareholder return package for 2026 (including W20tn buyback). Attention now turns to SEC's 3Q earnings call tomorrow at 10AM KST, where focus will also be on whether management provides further details on additional shareholder returns. Elsewhere, SEMCO(009150) +8.7% also reported its 3Q earnings, where OP came as a 5% beat @ W691bn vs. estimates (BBGe @ W660.2bn). KOSPI turnover was @ +11.6% vs 20-day average. KRW depreciated by 106bps s to W1,338.2.

Japan: NKY +1.08%. Japanese equities saw AI relief extend, with NKY outperforming while TPX slipped 14bps and Mothers gained 1.8%. Semiconductor strength drove the move, with Advantest (6857) +3.2%, TEL (8035) +4.4% and SoftBank (9984) +4.7% accounting for ~90% of NKY gains. Kioxia (285A) +13.8%, Ibiden (4062) +7.9%, Renesas (6723) +7.5% and Yuden (6976) +7.1% also rallied, while Maruwa (5344) +14.9% closed limit-up following an earnings beat. AI, semis and semi materials gained 5.3%, 6% and 4.9%, respectively. Flows turned net buy intraday on increased cyclical demand. Defensives reversed prior gains, while IPs fell 4% after Capcom (9697) -12.4% missed earnings. Advantest earnings beat post-close and traded +6% aftermarket. Market turnover was just 5% above its 20-day average, while NT ratio returned above 16.

China: SHSZ300 +0.85%. A-shares saw a relief rebound, tracking aggressive moves across regional peers. SHCOMP traded more choppily in the PM session but managed to close near session highs, supported by the long-awaited rebound in AI supply chains. Innolight (300308) +10.28% recorded its first +10% move since early September, while GS China Optical Network gained 6.49%. The market saw a reversal between value and growth plays, with Liquor, Financials and shipping names becoming funding sources. GS China Liquor fell 2.08% as Wuliangye (000858) 3Q numbers came in significantly below GSe. Robotics extended its rally with attention on Unitree (688836) +8.74% earnings, though views remained divided over whether the move reflected a meaningful fundamental shift. CXMT (688825) +3.16% was added to SHCOMP and STAR Composite three months after listing, becoming the largest constituent. NT activity remained muted for a second consecutive day, while full-day market turnover finished 11% higher versus the previous day.

Hong Kong: HSI +0.23%. Hong Kong recovered from the prior session's 0.7% decline, supported by a broad AI-driven rally across Asian equities. Alibaba (9988) rose 2.0% and was the top index contributor, while Hua Hong Grace Semiconductor (1347) surged 8.4%. StanChart (2888) jumped as much as 8.7% after a profit beat. On the downside, AIA (1299) fell as much as 3.7% and was the biggest index drag as investors rotated into Chinese tech ahead of the insurer's Friday results, with HSBC's earlier results flagging some insurance slowdown potentially reflecting weaker China offshore demand. Seven HSI

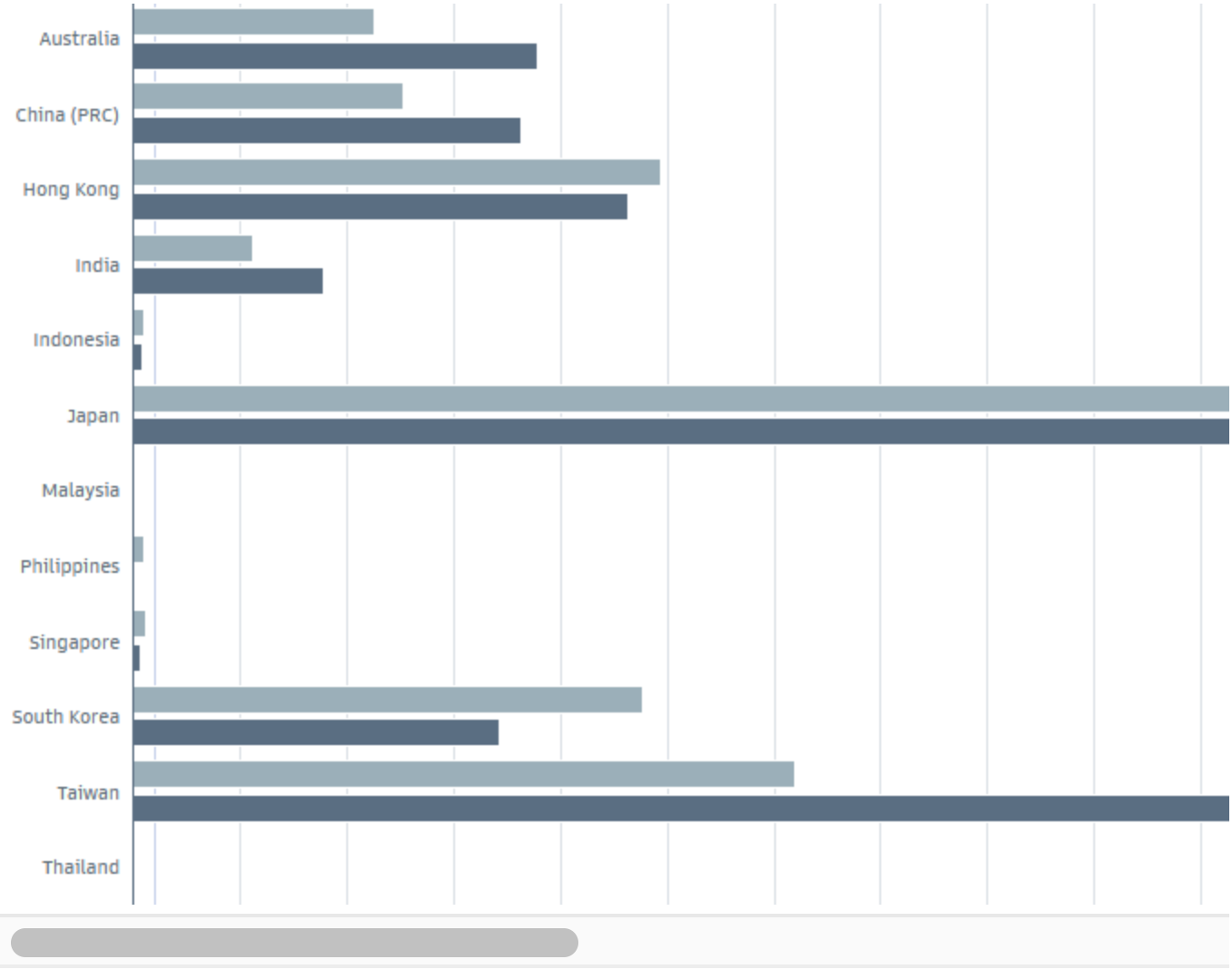
constituents hit 52-week lows, including Sands China (1928), Pop Mart (9992) and China Unicom HK (0762), with one falling to a record low and no new highs recorded. Options sentiment remained cautious, with the cost of hedging HSTECH swings versus the benchmark rising to its highest since February 2025 even as HSTECH gained as much as 2%.

ASEAN: JCI -0.20% as Indonesia remained one of the region's weakest markets, with equities, FX and bonds under pressure amid sustained foreign outflows. USD/IDR roses 0.1% to 18,172, nearing its record high, while 2Y/5Y/10Y government yields stood at 7.005%/7.461%/7.584%, with benchmark yields at a four-year high. **SET -0.38%**, underperformed the broader Asian rally. USD/THB roses 0.3% to 33.84 as the baht headed toward its weakest close since April 2025. Thai 2Y/5Y/10Y yields stood at 1.196%/1.650%/2.189%, while the BOT kept its policy rate unchanged at 1.00%, as widely expected.

India: NIFTY -0.23%. Nifty recovered nearly 1% from early lows to reclaim the 22700 level, and traded marginally below yesterday's close. IT stocks (index down 2%) were dragging Nifty today likely amid a rotation out of Indian IT Services as global investors pivoted back toward global tech megacaps ahead of their earnings. Macro headwinds persisted with brent still above $115 along with RBI's cautious tone - latest liquidity tightening drained banking system's excess funds from ₹11 trillion in early September to just ₹462 billion as of Oct. 26, while Indian bond yields rose 5bps to nearly 7.5%. The broader market showed notable resilience, with small and mid caps outperforming large caps through the session.

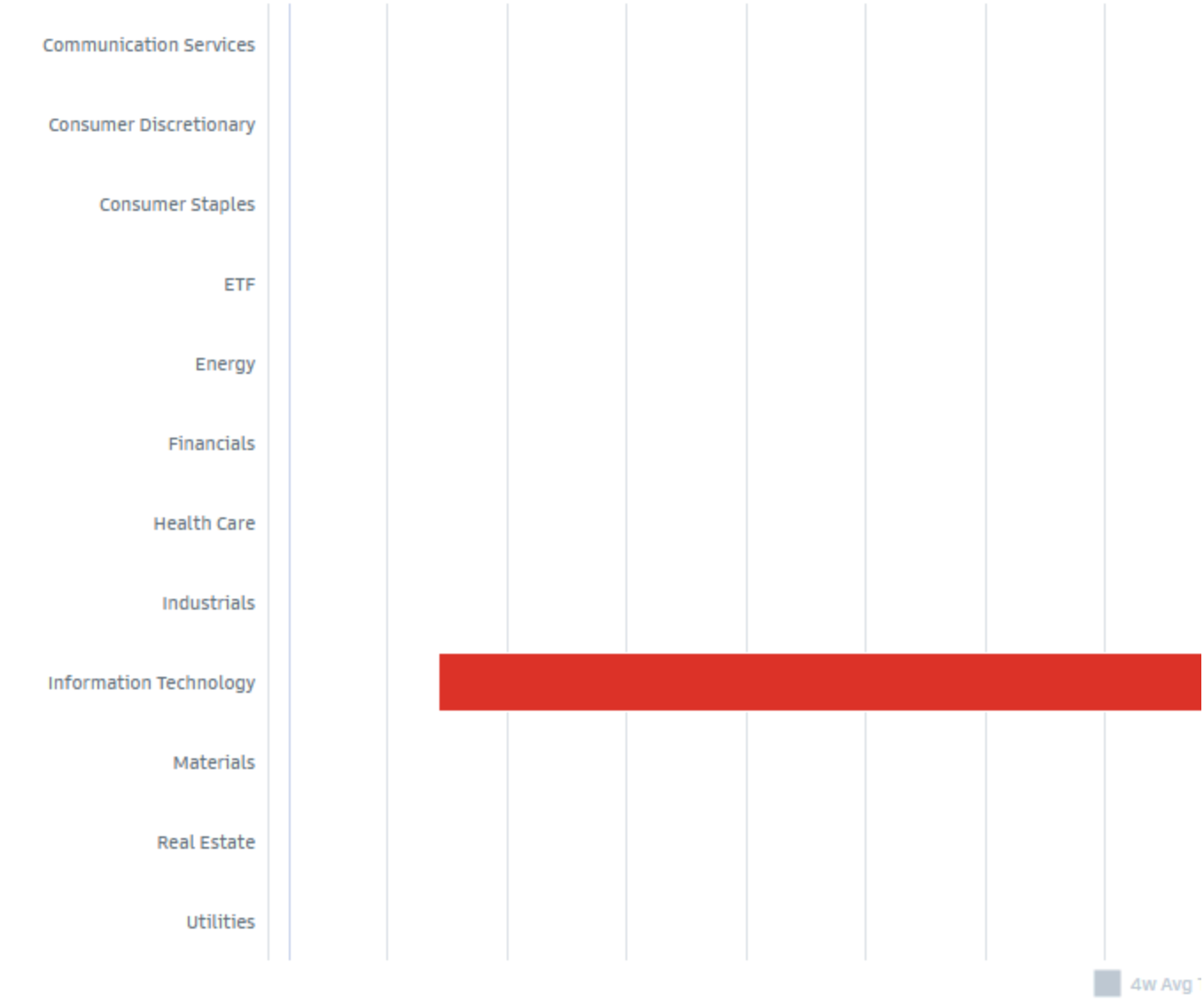
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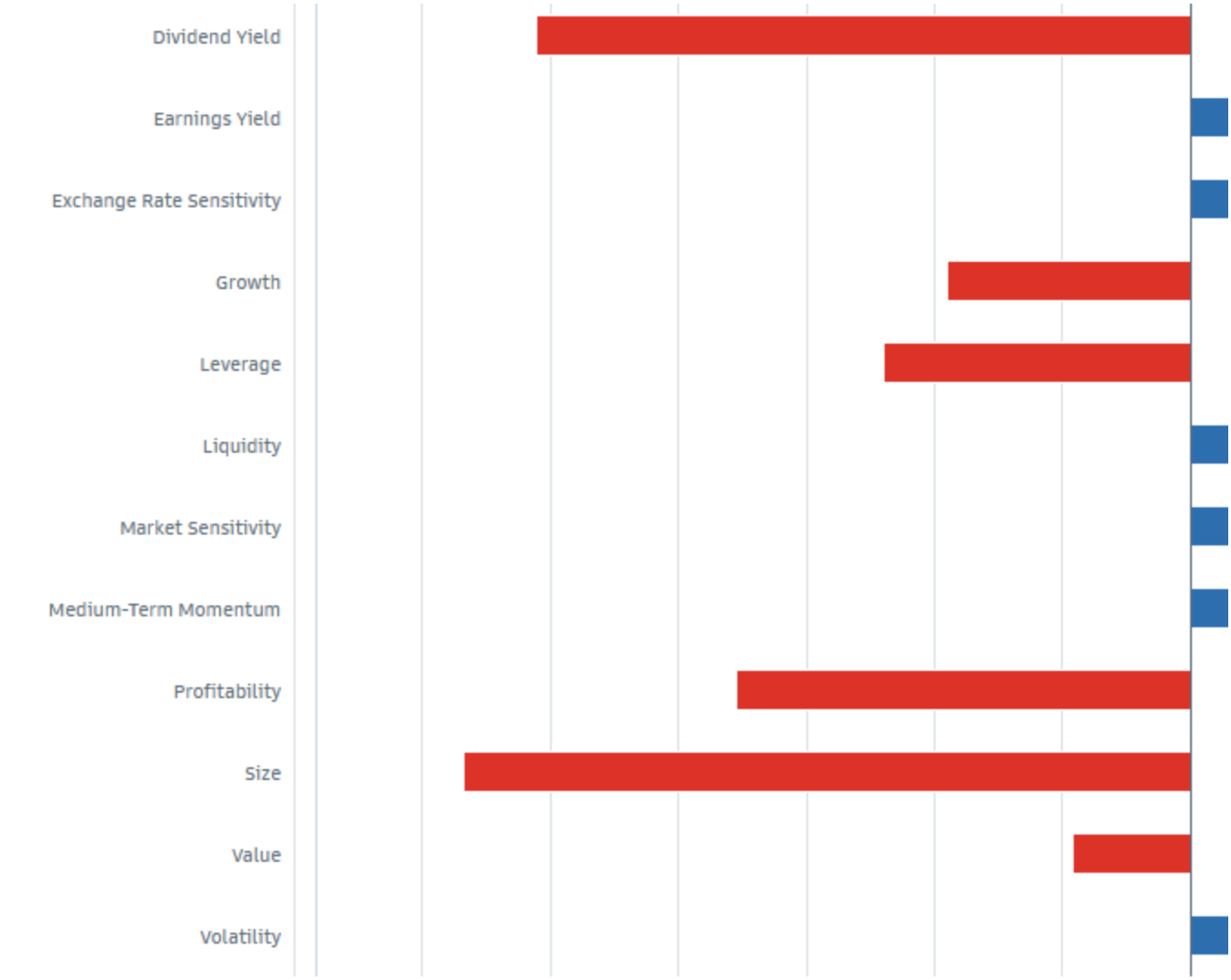
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