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	28/02/2025	21/02/2025	% Change
BLOM Stock Index	2,386.04	2,490.80	-4.21%
Average Traded Volume	58,983	56,129	5.08%
Average Traded Value	925,099	2,718,376	-65.97%
Market Cap	24,454,867,760.09	25,528,536,749.34	

The **BLOM Stock Index (BSI)** compiled by BLOM Invest Bank daily dropped weekly by 4.21% to 2,386.04 points on February 28th, 2025. On the Beirut Stock Exchange (BSE), the real estate sector dominated trading, accounting for 82.517% of the exchange's total trading value, while the remaining were by the banking sector (15.858%) and industrial sector (1.626%). The most noteworthy trades throughout the mentioned period included:

	28/02/2025	21/02/2025	% Change
Solidere A	103.3	110	-6.09%
Solidere B	104.1	105.3	-1.14%
HOLCIM Liban (prev.SCL)	78.9	72.5	8.83%
Audi Listed	2.53	3.24	-21.91%
Byblos (C)	1.1	1.15	-4.35%
BLOM (GDR)	6.4	6.46	-0.93%

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BLOM Preferred Shares Index	27.52	27.52	0.00%

As for the BLOM Preferred Shares Index (BPSI), it remained constant at 27.52.

Index	Currency	28/02/2025	21/02/2025	% Change
S&P 500	USD	5,861.57	6,013.13	-2.52%
Dow Jones	USD	43,239.50	43,428.02	-0.43%
NASDAQ Comp	USD	18,544.42	19,524.01	-5.02%

*Prices are as of the time of writing this report

The three main US stock indices dropped this week as NASDAQ Comp decreased by 5.02%, followed by S&P 500 by 2.52% and Dow Jones by 0.43% to record 18,544.42, 5,861.57, and 43,239.50 respectively. President Trump's renewed plans regarding tariffs raised concerns across investors. Trump confirmed that the 25% tariffs on European autos as well on imports from Canada and Mexico will be effective on March 4th, 2025. On the other hand, during the press conference with the British Prime Minister Keir Starmer in Washington, Trump stated that a new economic deal that will benefit both countries. Also, the increased restrictions on the semi-conductors pressured on tech stocks. Furthermore, NVIDIA's slip in share price by 8.5% on Thursday after its earnings report pressuring the broad market, as posted revenues did not impress investors.

European Stocks

Index	Currency	28/02/2025	21/02/2025	% Change
DAX	EUR	22,456.97	22,287.56	0.76%
FTSE 100	GBP	8,751.43	8,659.37	1.06%
CAC 40	EUR	8,074.60	8,154.51	-0.98%
STOXX600	EUR	554.99	553.85	0.21%

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Across the Atlantic, European stock markets fluctuated over the course of the week. Major European indices increased over the course of the week except for French CSC 40. This fluctuation is attributed to Trump's planned 25% tariffs on European imports, mainly cars sector, in addition to potential mineral deal between Ukraine and the US that is expected to be done soon during Ukraine's president Volodymyr Zelenskyy's visit to Washington today.

Asia Stocks

Index	Currency	28/02/2025	21/02/2025	% Change
NIKKEI	JPY	37,155.50	38,776.94	-4.18%
Hang Seng	HKD	22,941.32	23,477.92	-2.29%
Shanghai Comp	CNY	3,320.90	3,379.11	-1.72%

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Asian markets mimicked the US equities and dropped this week, with the NIKKEI leading the losses by 4.18%, followed by Hang Seng by 2.29% and Shanghai Comp by 1.72%. NIKKEI mirrored losses of Wall Street as technology stocks were unloaded. Moreover, economic reports showed reducing activity as retail sales year-over-year growth recorded 3.9%, below the forecasted 4.1%. In addition, inflation rate that was released on Friday increased by 4% annually compared to 3.6% last month and forecasted at 3.7%.

As for China, there are plans to inject at least \$55 billion of fresh capital in the largest banks as soon as the end of second quarter as per Bloomberg. Moreover, the trade war between the world's two biggest economies as Chinese Ministry of Commerce spokesperson stated that "If the US insists on having its own way, China will counter with all necessary measures to defend its legitimate rights and interests" as per Bloomberg. The US actions could cost the Chinese an additional \$69 billion in additional stimulus.

Global Stocks

Index	Currency	28/02/2025	21/02/2025	% Change
MSCI Emerging Market	USD	1,124.03	1,147.30	-2.03%

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As for the MSCI Emerging Market index, it also dropped this week by 2.03% to record 1,124.03 points.

Arab Stocks

Index	Currency	28/02/2025	21/02/2025	% Change
S&P Pan Arab	USD	1,018.71	1,033.47	-1.43%
EGX30 - Egypt	EGP	30,610.44	30,914.72	-0.98%
Saudi Stock Exchange	SAR	12,111.90	12,388.15	-2.23%
Qatar Stock Exchange	QAR	10,445.69	10,654.40	-1.96%
Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange	AED	9,573.17	9,618.34	-0.47%
Dubai Financial Market	AED	5,318.76	5,359.25	-0.76%

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Similarly, Arab stock markets dropped this week, with Saudi Stock Exchange led the decrease by 2.23%.

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