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	14/03/2025	07/03/2025	% Change
BLOM Stock Index	2,383.44	2,451.52	-2.78%
Average Traded Volume	23,183.20	114,016.60	-79.67%
Average Traded Value	688,973.60	987,134.20	-30.20%
Market Cap	24,428,273,172	25,125,974,081	

The **BLOM Stock Index (BSI)** compiled by BLOM Invest Bank daily fell weekly by 2.78% to 2,383.44 points on March 14th, 2025.

On the Beirut Stock Exchange (BSE), the real estate sector dominated trading, accounting for 88.31% of the exchange' s total trading value, while the remaining were by the banking sector (11.57%) and industrial sector (0.12%). The most noteworthy trades throughout the mentioned period included:

	14/03/2025	07/03/2025	% Change
Solidere A	102.10	105.70	-3.41%
Solidere B	101.90	106.30	-4.14%
Audi (C)	2.74	2.75	-0.36%
BLOM (GDR)	5.69	6.31	-9.83%

	14/03/2025	07/03/2025	% Change
BLOM Preferred Shares Index	27.52	27.52	0.00%

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

US Stocks

Index	Currency	14/03/2025	07/03/2025	% Change
S&P 500	USD	5,521.52	5,770.20	-4.31%
Dow Jones	USD	40,813.57	42,801.72	-4.65%
NASDAQ Comp	USD	17,303.01	18,196.22	-4.91%

*prices are as of the time of writing this report

In the US, all 3 major indices fell by more than 4% this week as US president Donald Trump announced potential new tariffs targeting the European Union. The S&P 500 fell by 4.31% to 5,521.52. Similarly, the Dow Jones Industrial Average decreased by 4.65% to 40,813.57. The NASDAQ Composite faced the steepest decline, dropping from 18,196.22 to 17,303.01. The S&P 500 and Nasdaq Composite indices fell by more than 10% in the last 3 weeks, and entered the correction zone.

In a tit-for-tat trade dispute, Trump threatened a 200% tariff on EU alcoholic beverages after the EU imposed a 50% tariff on US spirits. The EU's move was a response to Trump's earlier 25% tariffs on steel and aluminum. This escalation raised concerns of a global recession.

The equities markets' decline came despite the inflation' s ease, with the US consumer price rising by 2.8% annually in February. This was 0.1% lower than both Wall Street' s predictions and the previous month' s rate.

European Stocks

Index	Currency	14/03/2025	07/03/2025	% Change
DAX	EUR	22,567.14	23,008.94	-1.92%
FTSE 100	GBP	8,542.56	8,679.88	-1.58%
CAC 40	EUR	7,938.21	8,120.80	-2.25%
STOXX600	EUR	540.44	553.35	-2.33%

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Across the Atlantic, European stocks faced a challenging week as the escalating trade war with the United States weighed heavily on markets. Adding to the market's unease, Russian President Vladimir Putin signaled doubt on a U.S.-brokered ceasefire with Ukraine, raising geopolitical uncertainties. The broader European index STOXX 600 led losses, dropping by 2.33% to 540.44, followed by France's CAC 40, which fell 2.25% to 7,938.21. Meanwhile, Germany's DAX declined 1.92% to 22,567.14, while the UK's FTSE 100 slipped 1.58% to 8,542.56.

Asia Stocks

Index	Currency	14/03/2025	07/03/2025	% Change
NIKKEI	JPY	37,053.10	36,887.17	0.45%
Hang Seng	HKD	23,959.98	24,231.30	-1.12%
Shanghai Comp	CNY	3,419.56	3,372.55	1.39%

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In Asia, stocks markets were mixed. Hong Kong's Hang Seng fell by 1.12%, while Japan's Nikkei increased by 0.45% and China's Shanghai Composite rose by 1.39%. The Shanghai Composite's rise was driven by rising expectations of policy support from Beijing, as top officials prepared to announce measures to boost consumption at a press conference on Monday.

Index	Currency	14/03/2025	07/03/2025	% Change
MSCI Emerging Market	USD	1,115.91	1,128.55	-1.12%

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The MSCI Emerging Market index fell this week by 1.12% to 1,116 points.

Arab Stocks

Index	Currency	14/03/2025	07/03/2025	% Change
S&P Pan Arab	USD	992.85	1,000.80	-0.79%
Bourse Kuwait	KWD	8,475.87	8,663.67	-2.17%
Saudi Stock Exchange	SAR	11,725.88	11,811.11	-0.72%
Qatar Stock Exchange	QAR	10,423.18	10,514.11	-0.86%
Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange	AED	9,415.75	9,447.79	-0.34%
Dubai Financial Market	AED	5,155.39	5,222.62	-1.29%

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Arab stock markets all dropped this week, amid concerns over U.S. tariffs, which could negatively impact global economic growth. These tariff fears overshadowed optimism surrounding the potential 30-day Ukraine-Russia ceasefire, which could ease geopolitical uncertainties. The Bourse Kuwait saw the steepest decline, dropping 2.17%, closing at 8,475.87. The Dubai Financial Market followed with a 1.29% loss to 5,155.39, while Qatar's Stock Exchange fell by 0.86% to 10,423.18. Saudi Arabia's Tadawul index dipped slightly by 0.72% to 11,725.88, the S&P Pan Arab index fell modestly by 0.79% to 992.85, and the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange recorded the smallest decline of 0.34%, ending at 9,415.75.

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