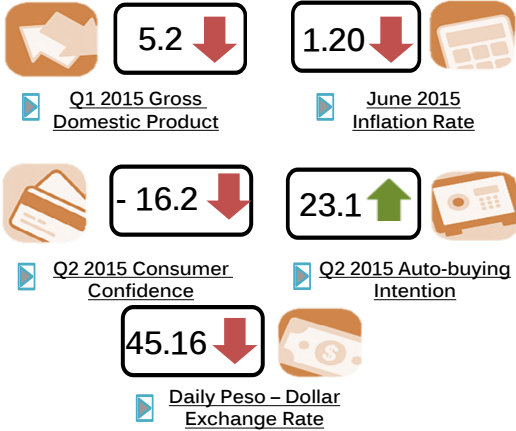




ECONOMIC INDICATORS



MACROECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

DTI Wants To Fast-Track PHL-EU FTA

The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) said on Monday that it intends to fast-track discussions on the European Union (EU)-Philippines Free Trade Agreement (FTA) to spur trade and increase investments.



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Philippines, US Ink Pact vs Tax Evasion

The Philippines and the United States have signed a bilateral agreement committing both governments to regularly exchange information on bank and other financial accounts of each other's citizens in their territories in a bid to ramp up their fight against tax evasion, the Department of Finance (DoF) said in a statement yesterday.



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FINANCIAL TRENDS

Bad Loans Of Thrift Banks Down

Bad debts held by thrift banks shrank relative to their total loan portfolio as of May from a year ago despite an expansion in their lending activities, data from the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Web site showed.



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INDUSTRY NEWS

Meet The New Boss Of CATS Motors

Meet the new boss of CATS motors, Rene Nuñez, who recently took over the post of its owner, Felix Ang, as president last May. Ang became the company's chairman of the board. Previously, CATS Motors was the exclusive distributor of Mercedes-Benz and American auto brands Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep and Ram.



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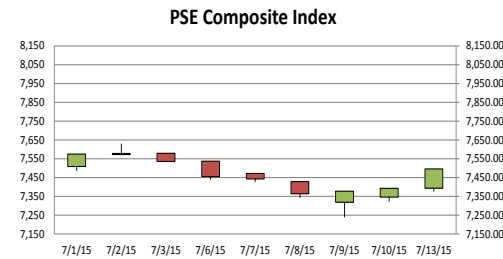
INTERNATIONAL

Ford Of The Future: Wearables, Car Swapping, Ebikes

Henry Ford put the world on wheels. A century later, the company he founded is preparing for a world where congestion demands other alternatives, including bikes, apps, public transportation and car sharing.



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GLOBAL WATCHLIST



Why Relief Over Greece Will Be Short-Lived

John Canally, Investment Strategist and Economist at LPL Financial, explains why Greece still faces long-term structural problems.

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