



## ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	<b>5.8</b>	<b>1.10</b>	
<a href="#">Full Year 2015 Gross Domestic Product</a>		<a href="#">March 2016 Inflation Rate</a>	
	<b>- 5.7</b>	<b>20.3</b>	
<a href="#">Q1 2016 Consumer Confidence</a>		<a href="#">Q1 2016 Auto-buying Intention</a>	
<b>47.08</b>			
<a href="#">Daily Peso – Dollar Exchange Rate</a>			

### MACROECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

#### Spending expansion acceptable for more infrastructure -- ING

A wider budget deficit under the next president will be acceptable to overseas investors, a bank analyst said, if the increased spending is poured into infrastructure and social services.



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#### Government expects new law to generate one million jobs in 'green' firms

Following the signing of the Philippine "Green Jobs" bill into law, the chairman of the House Committee on Labor and Employment on Wednesday said the government is expecting 1 million jobs this year.



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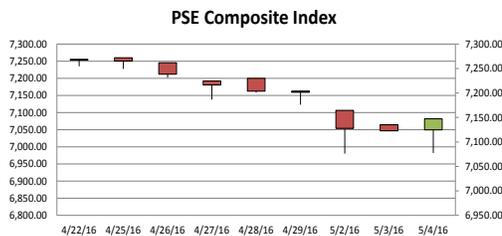
### FINANCIAL TRENDS

#### Peso goes back to P47:\$1 level

The peso sank yesterday to return to the P47-per-dollar level and as poll jitters and cautiousness ahead of the release of overseas data continued to weigh on investors sentiment.



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### INDUSTRY NEWS

#### DOE taps Petron as fuel partner in 1st economy run of Euro 4 fuels

The Department of Energy (DOE) has tapped Petron Corp. as its fuel partner in the first economy run in the country using cleaner and more efficient Euro 4 fuels.



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### GLOBAL WATCHLIST



**Asia gets to grips with second-hand luxury**  
China's economy slows, a growing number of e-commerce sites are luring cash-conscious Asian consumers to the trend of second-hand clothing and accessories.

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### INTERNATIONAL

#### US auto sales heat up in April

US auto sales left a lackluster start to the year in the dust in April, posting a strong performance that could signal a record-shattering 2016.



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