21/04/2025: VN-Index traded within a narrow range (VN-Index -0.99%)

- VN-Index opened fluctuating around the reference level, reflecting investors' indecisiveness.
- Selling pressure gradually increased toward the end of the morning session, pushing the index slightly lower from its opening level.
- A tug-of-war pattern reemerged and persisted throughout the afternoon session. The index may continue moving sideways in upcoming sessions as companies begin releasing 1Q2025 earnings results and the market takes time to digest the information.
- Financial Services, Personal and Household Goods sectors exerted downward pressure on the market. On the other hand, no sectors recorded notable gains
- Market breadth included 181 winners, 339 losers, and 63 unchanged.
- Liquidity dropped 13.4% to approximately VND 18.6 trillion.

VN-30 slipped gradually toward the session close (VN-30 -0.91%)

- The basket recorded 9 increasing stocks, 19 decreasing stocks, and 2 unchanged.
- Leading gainers were STB (+4.93%), SHB (+2.72%), and TPB (+2.65%).
- On the flip side, VIC (-6.96%) continued to hit the floor price.

Sectors and stocks daily highlights

- The State Securities Commission announced it is finalizing a draft circular to amend and supplement regulations on market activities. This circular is expected to be submitted to the Ministry of Finance for approval under a streamlined process to align with the planned official launch of the KRX trading system in early May.
- MBB (-1.29%) plans to seek shareholder approval to repurchase 100 million shares, equivalent to 1.6% of its charter capital, using capital surplus according to its latest audited financial statements. The buyback is scheduled for 2025 - 2026 via matching orders upon receiving regulatory approval.
- Foreign investors net bought VND 164 billion, focusing mainly on FPT (+0.09%) and VIC (-6.96%). On the other hand, HCM (-6.33%) was the most heavily net sold stock.

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