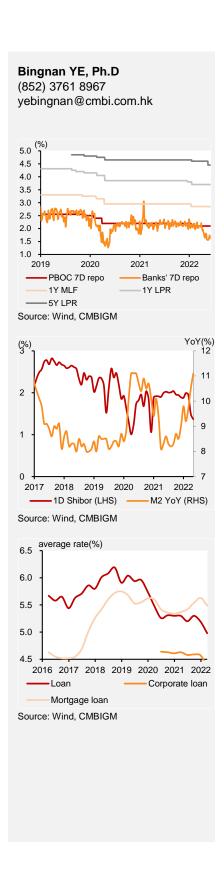


China Policy

In the liquidity & credit easing cycle

Total social financing rebounded sharply in May as business bill financing increased amid liquidity easing and governments accelerated their bond issuance amid policy guidance. New mortgage loans and medium-to-long-term corporate loans mildly improved yet remained low as housing demand and capital expenditure were still weak. The recent liquidity easing, LPR cut and credit supply loosening should support further rebound of credit growth in next several months. Chinese stock market should outperform advanced markets in the short term as the country is in the liquidity & credit easing cycle with economic resumption while developed countries are still in the monetary tightening cycle with high inflation. The divergence of monetary policy may not disappear until China completes its economic resumption or developed countries get their inflation under control.

- New credit rebounded sharply amid delay effect, liquidity easing and faster government bond issuance. Total social financing jumped 42.9% YoY in May after dropping 51% YoY in April. The sharp rebound of new credit was thanks to three factors. First, economic activities and issuance of some new loans were delayed to May due to lockdowns in April. Second, liquidity easing and central bank's guidance to banks to expand their credit supply supported a strong YoY growth of bill discounting financing at 363.5% in May. Therefore, new renminbi loans grew 26% YoY in May after declining 56.1% YoY in April. Third, state council required governments to accelerate their bond issuance to support the growth as government bond financing jumped 58.2% YoY in May. The YoY growth of outstanding social financing and M2 supply respectively accelerated from 10.2% and 10.5% at end-April to 10.5% and 11.1% at end-May.
- New mortgage loans and long-term corporate loans mildly improved as housing and capex demand remained weak. New mortgage loans turned positive in May from the negative in April, but remained 76.3% lower than the amount in last May. The trend of new mortgage loans was in line with housing market performance as housing sales remained weak with mild shrinkage in YoY declines. New medium to long-term loans to corporates dropped 15% YoY in May after decreasing 59.8% YoY in April, as infrastructure investment rebounded yet business capex remained weak.
- PBOC will focus on reviving credit supply. RRR and policy rates have additional room to lower, but the room should be limited as liquidity condition became ample and LPRs dropped to new lows. Banks' 7D repo rates dropped from 2.1% in late March to 1.6% in early June, slightly higher than the trough of 1.4% in April 2020. 1Y and 5Y LPRs were lowered to 3.7% and 4.45%, respectively. The PBOC will focus on reviving banks' credit supply to stabilize housing market and boost economic growth.
- Chinese stock market should outperform advanced markets in the short term. China has led advanced economies in the latest cycle. China tightened its policy last year and the economy entered the second slump from 2H22. As the economy collapsed in 2Q22 due to lockdowns, China launched the liquidity & credit easing cycle again. However, most developed countries were in the monetary tightening cycle as they reopened their economies and faced high inflation. The divergence of monetary policy may not disappear until





China completes its economic resumption or developed countries get their inflation under control.

■ Which sectors are our favorites? In the near term, sectors related to reopening including Consumer Discretionary, Hard-Tech and Healthcare might outperform the market. As credit expansion restarts, Consumer Discretionary and some Capital Goods may see better performance than other sectors. Internet sector may also benefit from regulatory policy easing and economic resumption.



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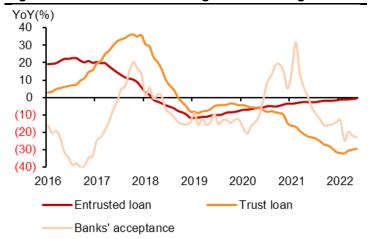
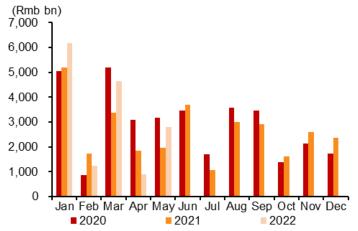
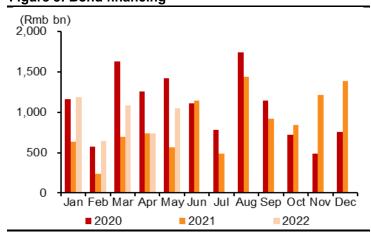


Figure 3: Total social financing



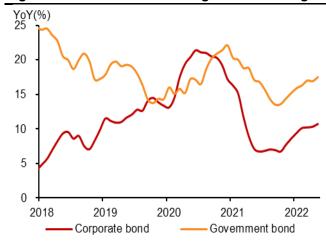
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Figure 5: Bond financing



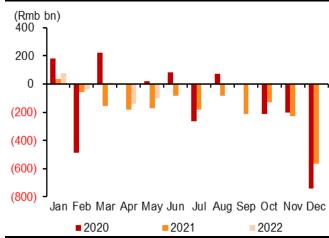
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Figure 4: OBS financing



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Figure 6: New loans to households

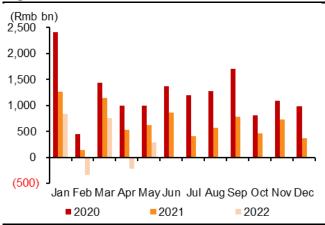




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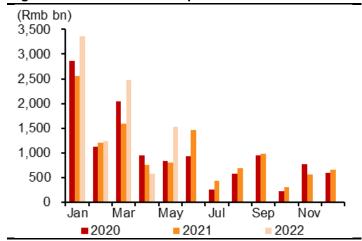
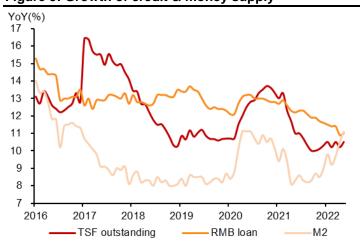
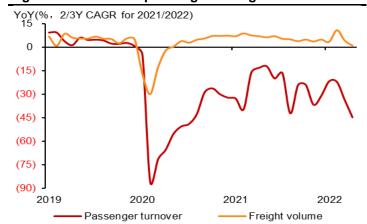


Figure 9: Growth of credit & money supply



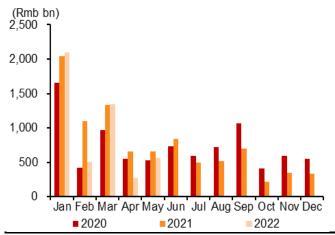
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Figure 11: Growth of passenger & freight volume



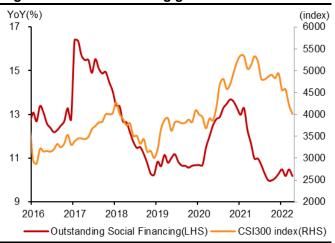
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Figure 8: New M&L term loans to enterprises



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Figure 10: Social financing growth & CSI300 Index



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Figure 12: New mortgage & housing sales





Figure 13: Growth of housing sales by cities

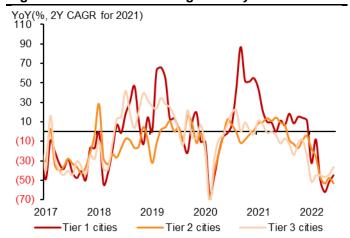
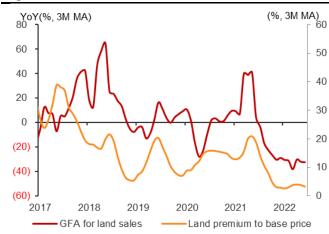
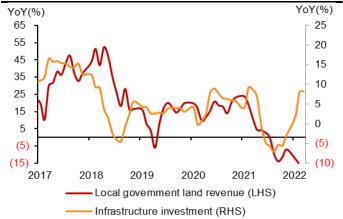


Figure 14: Growth of land sales



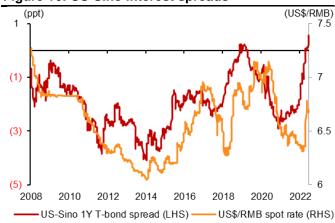
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Figure 15: Land revenue & infrastructure investment



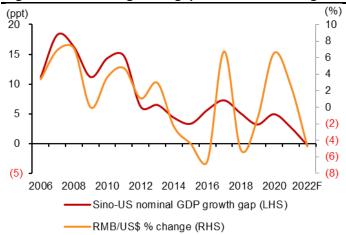
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Figure 16: US-Sino interest spreads



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Figure 17: Sino-US growth gap & RMB/US\$ change



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Figure 18: Net forex inflow

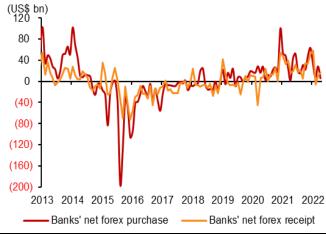




Figure 19: Money market funding cost

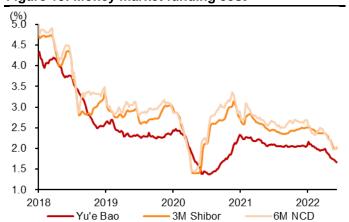
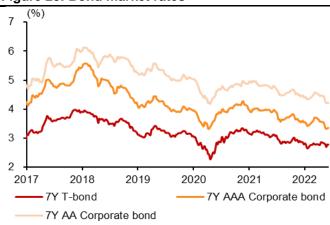


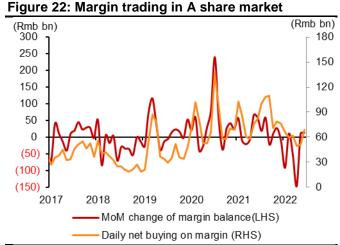
Figure 20: Bond market rates



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Figure 21: Stock market performance (end-2021=1000) 2,100 1

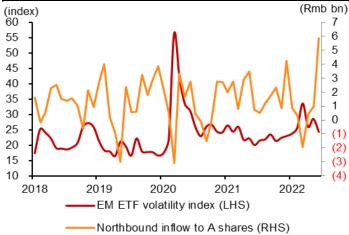
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Figure 23: EM ETF volatility & northbound daily inflow



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Figure 24: A/H premiums & southbound daily inflow





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