



Perceived Risk Index[©]
Sectors Analysis

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Introduction

PRI Perceived Risk Index© is an innovative, forward-looking indicator developed by Enel SpA Risk Control Unit within AFC function that reflects corporate risk perceived by financial markets.

In an ever-evolving economic landscape, understanding how markets interpret risk is a key strategic lever for companies, investors, and stakeholders.

PRI Perceived Risk Index© is a forward-looking indicator since it considers three different variables with a prospective nature that reflects the premium at risk required by investors:

- **Inverse Stock Price:** the stock price reflects the level of investors' trust towards the company. Thus, the lower is the stock price, the higher is the perceived risk;
- **Option Implied Volatility (3 months):** gives the indication of the perceived risk of the underlying asset implied in listed option prices;
- **Credit Default Swap (5 years):** The CDS represents a credit risk premium and thus it has a direct relationship with the company perceived probability of default.

These above mentioned three variables are market data available on public sites.

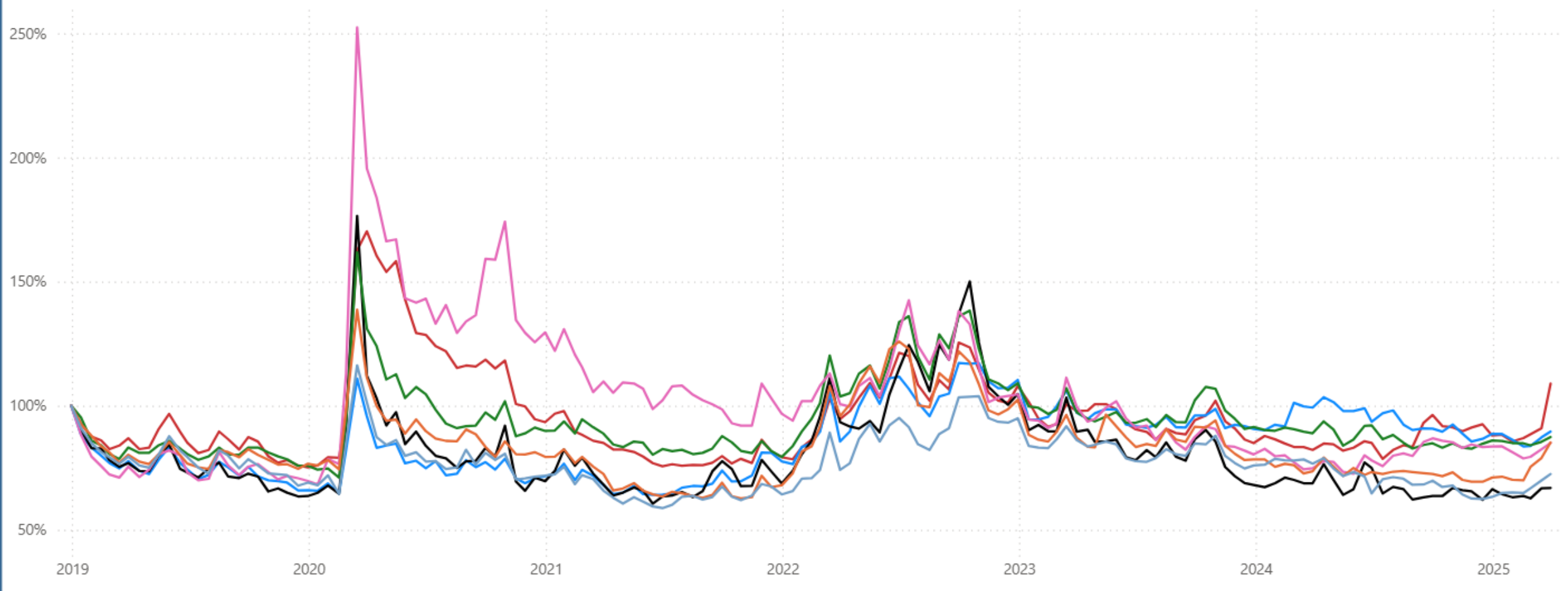
31/12/2018 is the starting point of the monitoring activity, with a baseline value of 100%, across six key sectors: Energy, Oil & Gas, Consumer Goods, Software, Technology, and Automotive.

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Measuring the risk as perceived by financial markets – Sectors & Enel

Automotive Consumer Goods Enel Energy Oil&Gas Software Technology



Automotive

109%!

vs Base Date: 100%

(+8,90%)

Consumer Goods

90%✓

vs Base Date: 100%

(-10,41%)

Energy

87%✓

vs Base Date: 100%

(-12,59%)

Oil & Gas

85%✓

vs Base Date: 100%

(-14,98%)

Software

85%✓

vs Base Date: 100%

(-14,78%)

Technology

72%✓

vs Base Date: 100%

(-27,52%)

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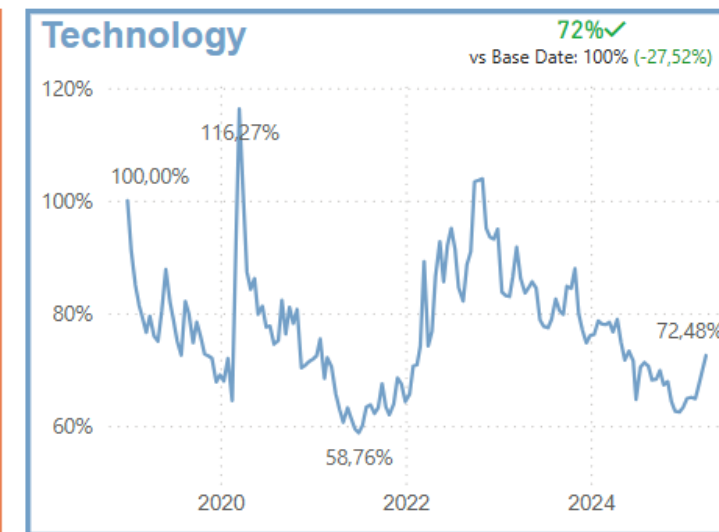
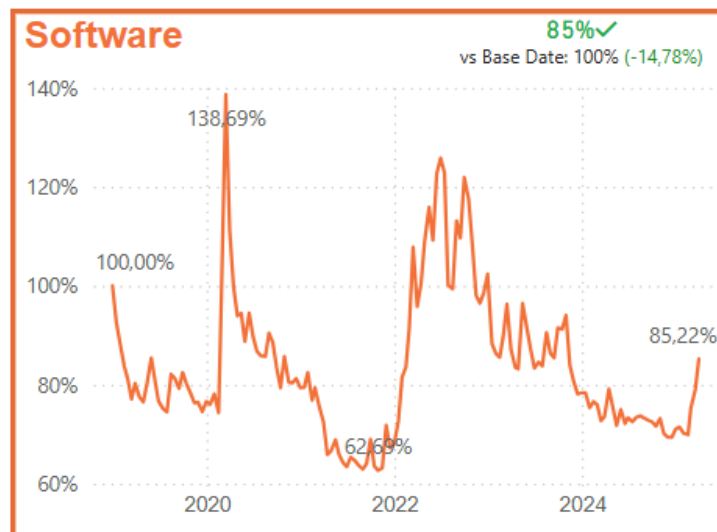
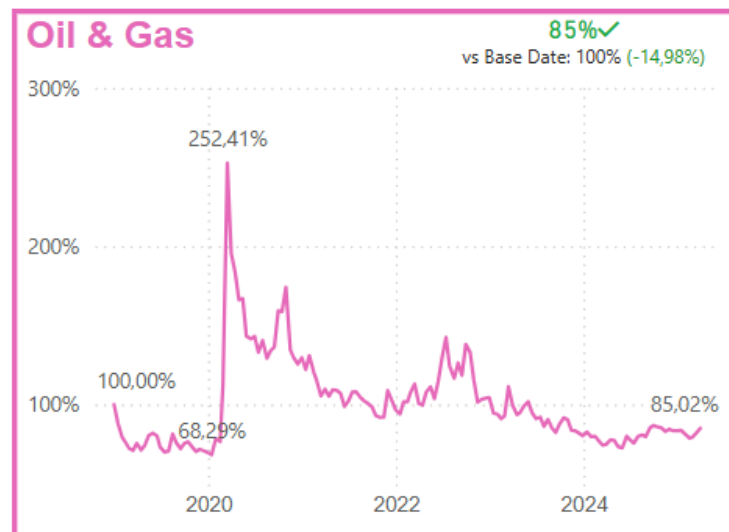
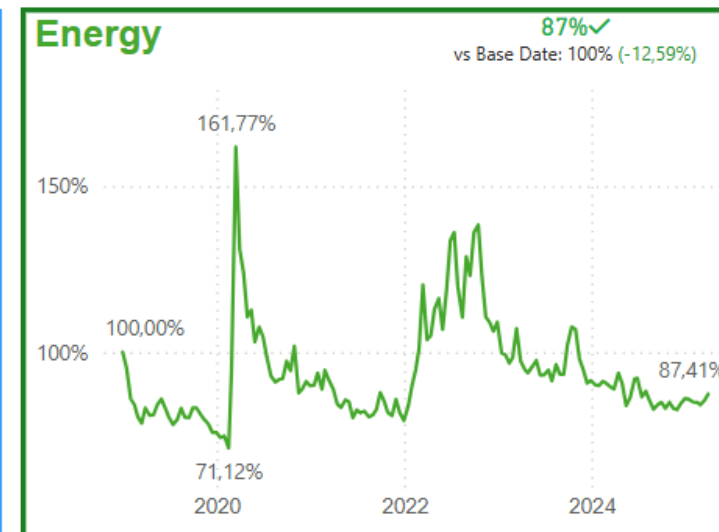
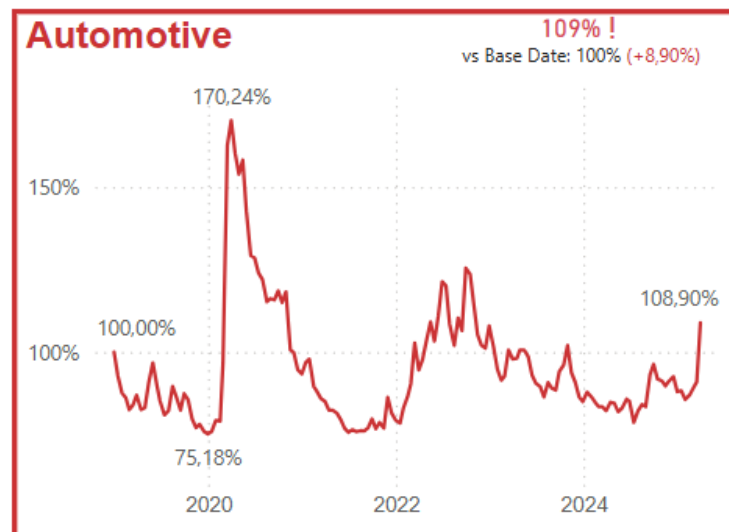
67%✓

vs Base Date: 100%

(-33,11%)

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Measuring the risk as perceived by financial markets – by Sector @ 31 Mar 2025



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Comments (1/2)

Full month trend/trend Q1-25:

In March 2025, the **global macroeconomic environment** experienced a **sharp deterioration**, significantly impacting the performance of the PRI©. Following a period between December and February marked by mixed dynamics (benefits from interest rate cuts offset by persistent inflationary pressures) March saw a clear reversal in trend.

The introduction of **new tariffs** by the **United States**, including a 25% tax on imports from Canada and Mexico and higher duties on Chinese goods, contributed to **rising trade-related tensions** and fueled fears of a global trade war. Major stock indices such as the **S&P 500** and the **Nasdaq Composite** recorded **significant losses**, while **credit markets became more volatile**, leading to higher costs for corporate default risk hedging and a greater risk perception even for investment-grade issuers like Enel.

This instability resulted in a **broad-based increase in perceived risk**, pushing the PRI© higher also for the top performers.

At the same time, **rising geopolitical uncertainty** drove investors toward **safe-haven assets**, with gold reaching new all-time highs (+9% in March).

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Comments (2/2) – US Tariff Analysis

Sector	PRI© feb25	PRI© mar25	Δ p.p.	Δ%	Effetti
Automotive	88.53%	108.90%	+20.37	+23.0%	The introduction of 25% tariffs on vehicle imports from Canada and Mexico results in a significant cost increase for manufacturers (impacts could rise by up to USD 4,300 per vehicle).
Software	75.36%	85.22%	+9.86	+13.1%	Tariffs on imported electronic components, such as semiconductors and hardware, raise costs for software companies by increasing IT and cloud infrastructure expenses.
Consumer Goods	83.83%	89.59%	+5.76	+6.9%	Tariffs of up to 125% on goods imported from China, combined with a global 10% tariff, drive up costs for a wide range of consumer products — including electronics and apparel — leading to higher retail prices and margin pressure for retailers.
Technology	66.77%	72.48%	+5.71	+8.6%	Tariffs on imported semiconductors and other tech components disrupt supply chains and raise production costs.
Oil & Gas	79.44%	85.02%	+5.58	+7.0%	The imposition of 10% tariffs on energy imports — including oil and gas from Canada — increases operating costs for U.S. refineries.
Energy	84.07%	87.41%	+3.34	+4.0%	Tariffs on imported components for renewable energy projects raise costs, potentially slowing the adoption of sustainable energy sources and negatively impacting the development of power infrastructure.

- The most affected sectors were **Automotive and Software**, with an increase in perceived risk due to the direct impact of tariffs on production, costs, and supply chains.
 - The **automotive sector experienced the greatest impact**, both in absolute terms (+20.37 p.p.) and relative terms (+23%), due to its high exposure to vehicle tariffs.
- Sectors such as **Oil & Gas, Energy, and Consumer Goods** also showed an increase in the PRI©, indicating growing operational and commercial uncertainty.
- Tariffs had cross-sector effects** throughout the industrial and technological supply chain, leading to a general rise in risk perception and a flight to safe-haven assets by investors.