



Major Economic News

- **The West Qassim Airport** project will be inaugurated on April 24, on an area estimated at 17.6mn sq. m. The expansion and development of Al-Ahsa International Airport will also be inaugurated on April 24. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- **Sahara International Petrochemical Co.** plans a scheduled shutdown of plants affiliated with its subsidiaries, International Vinyl Acetate Co., International Acetyl Co. and International Gases Co., for periodic and preventive maintenance. The company anticipates a 4-week halt starting May 01. The financial impact of the shutdown will appear in Q2-24. (Source: Tadawul)
- **Baker Hughes** announced that it has received an order by Saudi Aramco to supply gas technology equipment for the third phase of Saudi Arabia's Master Gas System project. Baker Hughes will supply 17 pipeline centrifugal compressors driven by state-of-the-art aeroderivative gas turbines for Aramco's project. (Source: Argaam)
- **Middle East Paper Co.** announced the start of the cardboard factory project, with a production capacity of 450,000 tons. A final budget of SAR 1.8bn was approved with an internal rate of return estimated at 14.5%. The project is expected to be completed in 42 months and will be funded by the company's internal resources, long-term loans and proceeds from the issuance of shares to PIF. (Source: Tadawul)

Earnings update (Net Profit) (SAR mn)

Company	Q1-24	Q1-23	Y/Y %	Q4-23	Q/Q %
First Mills	77.7	73.8	5.4	57.5	35.2

Market Analysis

The **Saudi Stock Exchange** decreased 0.2% to 12,484.4. The value traded stood at SAR 8.4bn (down 4.8% over the previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 71/157. The parallel market index increased 0.4% to 26,692.0 points. The value traded stood at SAR 42.9mn (up 13.7% over the previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the red. Utilities and Diversified Financials (up 1.8% and 1.6%, respectively) advanced the most, while Healthcare and Media (down 1.7% each) led the laggards.

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
UCA	13.44	6.7
ATHEEB TELECOM	121.20	4.8
GULF UNION ALAHLIA	24.40	4.5
WATANIYA	30.80	4.4
AMIAANTIT	31.15	3.8

Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
FITAIHI GROUP	4.19	-4.8
MBC Group	52.00	-4.4
ANAAM HOLDING	1.09	-4.4
CENOMI RETAIL	10.94	-4.0
ALHAMMADI	57.80	-4.0

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	12,484	12,625	12,454	(0.2)	4.3
NomuC	26,692	26,868	26,616	0.4	8.8

TASI movement during session



TASI Ratios

P/E* (x)	28.9
Price-to-Book (x)	2.5
Dividend Yield (%)	2.5
Return on Equity (%)	19.6

*Source: Argaam (Excluding Aramco)

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,690	-0.2	-8.5	16.3
Materials	6,229	-0.5	-1.9	High
Capital Goods	12,056	-0.3	21.4	42.7
Commercial Service	5,199	-1.0	-6.5	High
Transportation	7,637	-0.7	20.5	38.2
Consumer Durables	5,795	-0.8	15.3	Neg
Consumer Services	5,343	-1.4	8.1	41
Media	30,109	-1.7	22.8	High
Consumer Discretionary Ret	8,273	-0.9	-3.0	24.4
Consumer Staples Ret	9,854	-0.9	1.8	24.5
Food & Beverages	6,413	-0.5	14.3	32.1
Healthcare	13,913	-1.7	15.7	High
Pharma & Bio Tech	5,147	0.7	6.0	47.1
Banks	11,785	-0.2	-3.4	13.6
Financial Services	8,590	1.6	29.2	39.7
Insurance	10,940	0.7	29.1	29.4
Telecom	7,725	-0.8	0.1	14.6
Utilities	15,852	1.8	59.5	35.3
REITs	3,510	-0.4	-4.3	27.3
Real Estate	3,788	-0.2	24.3	42.3
Software & Services	76,333	-0.6	11.3	46.8

Average Index Value

Average days 5	Average days 10	Average days 20	Average value traded for April (bn)
12,496	12,568	12,589	8.22

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	23.7	1,245.30	1,621.80
Previous week	44	1,640.10	2,893.40

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Saudi Aramco	30.10	-0.2
Al Rajhi	78.70	0.1
SNB	37.40	-0.4
ACWA POWER	466.80	2.1
ALINMA	42.00	0.4





International Market News

- **US new home sales** jumped 8.8% to an annual rate of 693,000 in March (consensus: 668,000) after plunging by 5.1% to a revised rate of 637,000 in February. The growth in new home sales was led by the Northeast, surging by 27.8% during the month to an annual rate of 46,000. (Source: RTT news)
- **UK public sector net borrowing** declined in the financial year ending March. The provisionally estimated borrowing was GBP 120.7bn, which was GBP 7.6bn less than in the same period last year. However, it was GBP 6.6bn more than forecast by the Office for Budget Responsibility. (Source: RTT news)
- **The euro area private sector** expanded the most in nearly a year in April as the continuing downturn in manufacturing activity was offset by the strength in the service sector, as per the flash data. The composite output index rose to 51.4 in April (consensus: 50.8) from 50.3 in March. (Source: RTT news)
- **Producer prices in Japan** increased 2.3% Y/Y in March (consensus: an increase of 2.1%) compared to an upwardly revised 2.2% gain in February. On an M/M basis, producer prices rose 0.8% after growing by 0.3% in the previous month. (Source: RTT news)
- **Oil prices** gained 1.6% due to the weaker US dollar. The prices were also aided by tighter supply expectation amid news of US sanctions on Iran.
- **Gold prices** fell 0.2%, as safe haven demand decreased with easing geopolitical concerns.

Forex / Currency

Currency / USD	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	105.68	-0.4	1.1	4.3
Euro	1.07	0.4	-0.8	-3.1
Japanese Yen	154.83	-0.0	2.3	9.8
Sterling Pound	1.24	0.8	-1.4	-2.2
Chinese Yuan	7.26	0.1	0.0	1.9
Indian Rupee	83.34	-0.0	-0.1	0.2
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	-0.0
Qatari Rial	3.65	-0.0	-0.0	0.0
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.31	-0.0	0.2	0.3
Omani Rial	0.39	0.0	0.0	0.0
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
Egyptian Pound	48.05	-0.2	1.3	55.5

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
24-Apr	CATRION	Cash Dividend Distribution
24-Apr	NORTHERN CEMENT	Cash Dividend Distribution
24-Apr	SAUDI CEMENT	EGM
24-Apr	EIC	Cash Dividend Distribution
24-Apr	BJAZ	EGM
25-Apr	SAB	EGM

EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting*

OGM: Ordinary General Meeting*

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	4,166	-0.0	-1.9	2.6	8.2
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	9,051	-0.3	-1.9	-5.5	19.7
Kuwait (KSE)	7,720	0.0	-3.9	3.2	18.2
Qatar (QE)	9,711	0.5	-1.4	-10.3	11.2
Oman (MSM)	4,696	-0.0	1.3	4.0	12.5
Bahrain (BSE)	2,017	0.0	-1.3	2.3	8.2
Egypt (EGX30)	26,777	-4.9	-0.4	7.6	10.0

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	38,504	0.7	-3.3	2.2	22.1
Nasdaq	17,471	1.5	-4.3	3.8	32.3
S&P 500	5,071	1.2	-3.5	6.3	24.3
FTSE 100	8,045	0.3	1.2	4.0	14.3
Germany DAX 30	18,138	1.6	-1.9	8.3	15.1
France CAC 40	8,106	0.8	-1.2	7.5	14.4
Japan Nikkei 225	37,552	0.3	-7.0	12.2	26.8
Russia MOEX	3,439	-1.1	3.2	11.0	3.9
Hong Kong Hang Seng	16,829	1.9	1.7	-1.3	9.5
South Korea KOSPI	2,623	-0.2	-4.5	-1.2	18.8
China Shanghai Composite	3,022	-0.7	-0.6	1.6	13.3
Australia ASX 200	7,684	0.4	-2.7	1.2	19.5
India Sensex	73,738	0.1	0.1	2.1	23.8
MSCI EM	1,019	0.7	-2.3	-0.4	14.7
MSCI World	3,323	1.2	-3.4	4.8	20.8

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	89.75	1.1	1.6	11.6
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	88.42	1.6	1.1	14.8
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	83.36	0.6	0.2	16.3
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	1.81	1.2	2.8	-23.5
Gold (\$/oz)	2,322.02	-0.2	4.1	12.6
Silver (\$/oz)	27.31	0.4	9.4	14.8
Steel (\$/ton)	843.00	0.0	-2.0	-25.7
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	907.50	-0.5	15.4	-13.0
Wheat (\$/bu)	602.75	2.6	4.7	-6.7
Corn (\$/bu)	452.50	0.6	-0.4	-8.4
Sugar (\$/lb)	19.66	0.3	-11.2	-3.7
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,370.00	-0.1	2.0	-8.0

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
KSA (SAIBOR 1M)	5.82	2.9	4.1	-9.0
KSA (SAIBOR 3M)	6.23	2.3	2.4	-0.6
KSA (SAIBOR 6M)	6.02	0.3	-8.5	-6.0
KSA (SAIBOR 12M)	5.92	-0.0	4.0	-7.6
USA (SOFR 3M)	5.32	0.1	2.5	-0.8
UAE (EIBOR 3M)	5.10	-10.1	-11.2	-22.6

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

Closes as of April 23, 2024





Technical observations

Index	TASI
Ticker	SASEIDX Index
Last Close	12,484
Short-term view	Profit Booking
52 weeks high/low	12,883 – 10,262

Market data

Exchange Market Cap. (SAR bn)	10,804.3
Value (SAR mn)	8,444.4
Volume (mn)	409.7
Number of Transactions	585,932
Market Breadth	71 : 157

Key statistics

1D return %	-0.20%
MTD return %	0.67%
QTD return	0.67%
YTD return	4.32%
ADT vol. 3M* (mn)	362.7
ADT val. 3M (SARmn)	8,910.9

*ADT stands for Average Daily Traded

TASI market commentary

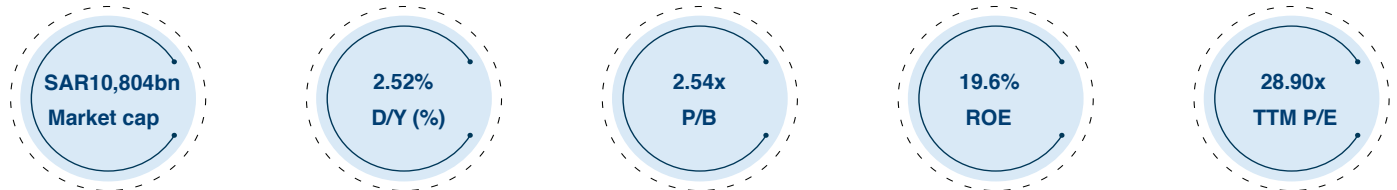
- TASI experienced a decline on Tuesday; primarily driven by the performance of the Telecommunication services sector (down 0.79%) and the Materials sector (down 0.55%). At close, the Saudi market ended the day with a change of -0.20% at 12,484. In terms of activity, total volumes and value traded were ~410mn and ~SAR 8.4bn, respectively. The advance-decline ratio came in at 71/157.

Technical outlook

- TASI closed the last session near 12,484, registering a modest loss of 25 points. Despite a robust initial performance, the market sentiment shifted towards profit booking once the index tested its 20-day SMA around 12,590. This resulted in TASI forming a third consecutive small red bodied candlestick, reaffirming the prevailing profit booking sentiment and keeping the index below both the 10-day and 20-day SMAs. Additionally, the RSI indicator continued declining below the 50 level and the previously broken rising trendline. TASI has an immediate support level of around 12,370. If breached, the subsequent support levels would be around 12,260 – 12,050. On the other hand, an immediate resistance level is observed around 12,590. If successfully surpassed, the subsequent resistance levels to watch for would be around 12,775 – 12,885. As long as TASI maintains trading below its 20-day SMA which is located around 12,590, traders are advised to closely monitor the crucial support level of the previous trough around 12,370. A break below this level could trigger a further profit-booking attitude.

Key price levels

S3	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	R3
12,050	12,260	12,370	12,550	12,590	12,775	12,885



Source: Bloomberg, Argam

TASI daily chart

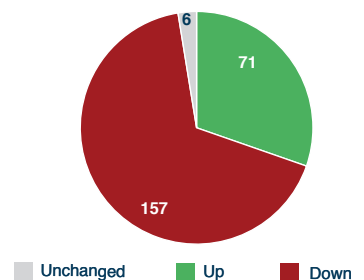


Source: Tradingview, Aljazira Capital

Our view



Market depth





SAUDI MARKET - TOP PICKS FOR THE DAY

Code	Company	Close*	Buy range	Sell range	Stop loss
2080	GASCO	87.60	87.40 – 87.60	88.40 – 90.80	86.60
2300	Saudi Paper Manufacturing	82.20	82.00 – 82.20	83.00 – 83.90	81.30
2310	Sipchem	32.25	32.15 – 32.25	32.55 – 32.90	31.90
4291	NCLE	158.00	157.60 – 158.00	159.40 – 162.00	156.20
4142	Riyadh Cables	94.40	94.20 – 94.40	95.30 – 96.30	93.30
4161	BinDawood	9.46	9.44 – 9.46	9.55 – 9.65	9.35

*As of 23rd Apr 2024

* Note – Stop loss is based on an intraday basis

CHARTS OF THE DAY

Technical observations

GASCO has just penetrated a declining trendline as well as the 20 -day SMA. Moreover, all the technical indicators show bullish structure.

National Gas and Industrialization Co. (GASCO)



Source: Tradingview, Aljazira Capital

Technical observations

SPM started to bounce off the level of the prior peak forming a Morning Star candlestick pattern. Moreover, all the technical indicators show bullish structure.

Saudi Paper Manufacturing Co. (SPM)



Source: Tradingview, Aljazira Capital



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Candlestick: A candlestick (candle) is a type of price chart used to display the high, low, opening, and closing prices of a security for the period under consideration.

Support: This is the price level at which demand is strong enough to avoid any further price decline.

Resistance: This is the price level at which supply is strong enough to stop any further price increase.

Pattern/formation: This is a plot of a security's price activity over a certain period that can be used to identify potential trends, reversal of trends, price targets, entry and exit points, etc. There are various formations – such as head & shoulders, triangles, flags, etc.

Simple moving average: A simple moving average is formed by computing the average price of a security over a specific number of periods. Moving averages are based on closing prices.

Relative strength index (RSI): RSI is a momentum indicator that compares a security's price gains to its losses for a predetermined number of periods (generally, 14 periods are used). The RSI attempts to point out how security, in relative terms, is in the overbought/oversold zone.

Moving average convergence/divergence (MACD): MACD is a trading indicator that shows changes in the strength, direction, momentum, and duration of a trend in a stock's price through a collection of three- time series calculated from historical closing prices.

Fibonacci retracements: These are horizontal lines that indicate the expected areas of support/resistance for a security based on a predetermined price movement. These are usually indicated by Fibonacci ratios of 23.6%, 38.2%, 50.0%, 61.8%, and 100% from that movement.

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