



Domestic Market News

- Saudi merchandise imports** rose 3% Y/Y to SAR 70.3bn. Machinery and mechanical appliances and electrical equipment formed 26.7% of total imports. (Source: Argam)
- Point-of-sale (POS) transactions** in Saudi Arabia reached SAR 14.7bn in the week ended August 03, up from SAR 11.2bn in the previous week. (Source: Argam)
- The Saudi Ports Authority (MAWANI)** said that the number of containers handled in July decreased to 645,020 twenty-foot equivalent units (TEUs), compared to 753,500 TEUs in the same month last year. (Source: Argam)
- Sahara International Petrochemical Co.** signed a USD 190.0mn (SAR 713.0mn) contract with South Korean company SGC E&C Co. Ltd. to build EVA production facility in Jubail Industrial City. (Source: Argam)
- MIS** signed a contract worth SAR 78.7mn with Imam Muhammad bin Saud University, to provide managed services and developing the systems. (Source: Tadawul)

Earnings update (Net Profit) (SAR mn)

Company	Q2-24	Q2-23	Y/Y %	Q1-24	Q/Q %
SEERA	70.0	67.0	4.45	61.0	14.75
ALBABTAIN	54.3	40.7	33.42	82.6	-34.26
LAZURDE	4.0	7.2	-44.44	28.0	-85.71
FITAIHI GROUP	8.0	3.1	161.04	2.0	294.19
ALYAMAMAH STEEL	6.4	-47.4	NM	30.5	-78.89
FARM SUPERSTORE	6.5	6.4	2.19	6.8	-4.70
BINDAWOOD	75.04	65.83	14.0	60.55	23.94
ALMUNAJEM	63.8	57.6	10.76	114.0	-44.04
ALARABIA	47.3	85.0	-44.35	100.8	-53.06
QACCO	72.9	38.1	91.34	74.2	-1.79
TANMIAH	24.0	11.4	110.53	21.0	14.29
MEPCO	3.5	-22.8	NM	-18.7	NM

*NM indicates Not Meaningful

Market Analysis

The **Saudi Stock Exchange** decreased 0.5% to 11,667.1. The value traded stood at SAR 6.7bn (down 3.8% over the previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 36/193. The parallel market index decreased 0.3% to 25,815.3 points. The value traded stood at SAR 27.8mn (down 13.4% over the previous day). Most of the sectors in the main market ended in red. Pharma & Bio tech and Banks (up 0.8% and 0.4%, respectively) while Media and Capital Goods (down 4.5% and 3.2%, respectively) declined the most.

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
BAAZEEM	7.18	10.0
HB	51.90	6.4
THEEB	67.90	5.8
RED SEA	26.90	3.9
ZOUJAJ	46.00	3.6

Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
SAUDI GERMAN	61.60	-9.4
ALBAHA	0.12	-7.7
EQUIPMENT HOUSE	50.00	-7.1
RASAN	52.00	-6.0
GULF GENERAL	11.44	-5.5

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	11,667	11,749	11,633	(0.5)	(3.1)
NomuC	25,815	25,913	25,686	(0.3)	5.2

TASI movement during session



TASI Ratios

P/E* (x)	25.1
Price-to-Book (x)	2.3
Dividend Yield (%)	2.8
Return on Equity (%)	19.3

*Source: Argam (Excluding Aramco)

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,250	0.0	-15.7	15.6
Materials	5,528	-1.5	-13.5	High
Capital Goods	11,931	-3.2	18.3	26.3
Commercial Service	4,750	-1.3	-14.9	34.5
Transportation	7,268	-0.5	14.4	35.3
Consumer Durables	4,786	-2.2	-3.9	Neg
Consumer Services	4,773	-1.6	-4.1	34.8
Media	28,573	-4.5	16.4	42.3
Consumer Discretionary Ret	7,337	-1.1	-14.8	21.6
Consumer Staples Ret	8,864	-0.7	-9.3	21.1
Food & Beverages	5,805	0.3	3.1	29
Healthcare	12,212	-1.4	-0.1	43.2
Pharma & Bio Tech	4,771	0.8	-2.0	46.4
Banks	11,734	0.4	-4.5	13.1
Financial Services	7,181	-1.3	6.6	32.7
Insurance	10,395	-2.2	20.9	25.3
Telecom	7,413	-0.1	-4.6	14.6
Utilities	13,407	-1.3	35.1	29
REITs	3,276	-0.1	-10.7	25.5
Real Estate	3,600	-1.2	17.8	42.4
Software & Services	71,188	-2.6	3.8	41.4

Average Index Value

Average days 5	Average days 10	Average days 20	Average value traded for August (bn)
11,667	11,885	11,986	7.64

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	39.8	1,786.50	3,250.60
Previous week	30.7	1,455.10	2,501.40

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Saudi Aramco	27.75	0.0
Al Rajhi	85.80	1.3
SNB	34.70	0.3
ACWA POWER	382.00	-1.6
ALINMA	30.85	-0.2





International Market News

- **According to Baker Hughes**, North America's rig count remained unchanged at 805 in the week ended August 09. The rig count rose to 588 in the US from 586 earlier, while decreased to 17 in the Gulf of Mexico from 18. The rig count in Canada decreased to 217 from 219 earlier. (Source: Baker Hughes).
- **US initial jobless claims** decreased to 233,000 (consensus: 240,000) in the week ended August 03, representing a fall of 17,000 from the previous week's revised level of 250,000. (Source: Econoday)
- **China's consumer price inflation** rose more than expected to a five-month high in July. CPI increased 0.5% Y/Y in July (consensus: an increase of 0.3%) compared to a rise of 0.2% in June. Food prices grew slightly in July driven by the 20.4% percent surge in pork prices. Non-food inflation moderated slightly to 0.7%. On an M/M basis, CPI registered a 0.5% rise (consensus: 0.3% increase). (Source: RTT News)
- **Sales of new energy vehicles (NEVs)** in China jumped 37.0% Y/Y in July, accounting for a record 50.7% of car sales. Sales of pure electric vehicles rose 14.3% Y/Y in July, up from 9.9% Y/Y growth in June. (Source: Reuters)
- **Oil prices** gained 0.6% on Friday on account of improved demand outlook amid receding fears of global economic slowdown.
- **Gold prices** rose 0.2% driven by decline in US treasury yields due to rate cut hopes.

Forex / Currency

Currency / USD	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	103.14	-0.1	-0.9	1.8
Euro	1.09	-0.0	0.8	-1.1
Japanese Yen	146.61	-0.4	-2.2	3.9
Sterling Pound	1.28	0.1	-0.7	0.2
Chinese Yuan	7.17	-0.1	-0.7	0.7
Indian Rupee	83.96	-0.0	0.3	0.9
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.65	0.0	-0.0	0.0
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.31	0.1	0.2	-0.4
Omani Rial	0.39	0.0	0.0	0.0
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	-0.0	-0.0	-0.0
Egyptian Pound	49.25	0.0	1.4	59.3

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
11-Aug	ALHAMMADI	Eligibility of Cash Dividend
11-Aug	ALDAWAA	Eligibility of Cash Dividend
11-Aug	ALKHABEER REIT	Eligibility of Cash Dividend
11-Aug	ANB	Eligibility of Cash Dividend
11-Aug	THARWAH	Close of IPO
11-Aug	NAHDI	Eligibility of Cash Dividend

EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting*

OGM: Ordinary General Meeting*

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	4,195	-0.0	-1.7	3.3	7.3
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	9,306	0.5	-0.4	-2.8	16.9
Kuwait (KSE)	7,697	0.1	-2.6	2.9	21.6
Qatar (QE)	10,053	-0.2	-1.0	-7.2	10.9
Oman (MSM)	4,645	0.0	-0.4	2.9	11.9
Bahrain (BSE)	1,911	-1.1	-3.0	-3.1	7.4
Egypt (EGX30)	28,751	0.4	-2.1	15.5	8.1

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	39,498	0.1	-3.3	4.8	22.0
Nasdaq	18,513	0.5	-4.4	10.0	32.6
S&P 500	5,344	0.5	-3.2	12.0	25.0
FTSE 100	8,168	0.3	-2.4	5.6	14.1
Germany DAX 30	17,723	0.2	-4.2	5.8	14.6
France CAC 40	7,270	0.3	-3.5	-3.6	13.7
Japan Nikkei 225	35,025	0.6	-10.4	4.7	21.4
Brazil IBOVESPA	130,615	1.5	2.3	-2.7	9.7
Hong Kong Hang Seng	17,090	1.2	-1.5	0.3	9.6
South Korea KOSPI	2,588	1.2	-6.6	-2.5	13.5
China Shanghai Composite	2,862	-0.3	-2.6	-3.8	13.5
Australia ASX 200	7,778	1.2	-3.9	2.5	19.2
India Sensex	79,706	1.0	-2.5	10.3	24.2
MSCI EM	1,063	1.6	-2.0	3.9	15.1
MSCI World	3,448	0.6	-3.5	8.8	21.5

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	79.97	1.3	-2.6	-0.6
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	79.66	0.6	-1.3	3.4
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	76.84	0.9	-1.4	7.2
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	2.14	0.8	5.3	-19.8
Gold (\$/oz)	2,431.32	0.2	-0.7	17.9
Silver (\$/oz)	27.46	-0.3	-5.3	15.4
Steel (\$/ton)	680.00	0.3	-3.4	-40.1
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	788.50	0.0	3.2	-24.4
Wheat (\$/bu)	542.50	0.9	2.9	-17.3
Corn (\$/bu)	395.00	-0.5	-1.2	-21.5
Sugar (\$/lb)	18.48	-0.5	-2.4	-10.0
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,413.00	-0.7	2.2	-6.4

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
KSA (SAIBOR 1M)	5.82	5.7	4.1	-9.6
KSA (SAIBOR 3M)	6.19	0.9	-0.3	-3.9
KSA (SAIBOR 6M)	5.97	1.5	1.0	-10.9
KSA (SAIBOR 12M)	5.68	-0.7	-9.3	-31.4
USA (SOFR 3M)	5.10	-0.1	-13.8	-22.9
UAE (EIBOR 3M)	4.96	-12.2	-26.6	-36.3

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

Closes as of Aug 9, 2024





Technical observations

Index	TASI
Ticker	SASEIDX Index
Last Close	11,667
Short-term view	Cautious
52 weeks high/low	12,883 – 10,262

Market data

Exchange Market Cap. (SAR bn)	10,006.6
Value (SAR mn)	6,722.8
Volume (mn)	283.5
Number of Transactions	561,021
Market Breadth	36 : 193

Key statistics

1D return %	-0.53%
MTD return %	-3.65%
QTD return	-0.11%
YTD return	-2.51%
ADT vol. 3M* (mn)	310.0
ADT val. 3M (SARmn)	7,611.0

*ADT stands for Average Daily Traded

TASI market commentary

- TASI experienced a decline on Thursday; primarily driven by the performance of the Materials sector (down 1.46%) and the Telecommunication services sector (down 0.15%). At close, the Saudi market ended the day with a change of -0.53% at 11,667. In terms of activity, total volumes and value traded were ~284mn and ~SAR 6.7bn, respectively. The advance-decline ratio came in at 36/193.

Technical outlook

- TASI closed the last session near 11,667, registering a loss of 63 points. The selling sentiment resurfaced and pushed the index downward, after testing the resistance of the previously breached boundary of a rising channel and the previous downside gap. TASI formed a red candlestick, reflecting the prevailing selling attitude. It is worth noting that, the index would stay negative as long as it maintains trading below the previously breached boundary of a rising channel around 11,750. Additionally, the RSI indicator is still hovering below the 50 level. TASI has an immediate resistance level of around 11,750. If successfully surpassed, the subsequent resistance levels to watch for would be around 11,825 – 11,950. On the other hand, an immediate support level is observed at around 11,500. If breached, the subsequent support levels would be around 11,440 – 11,320. TASI is hovering below the critical resistance of a formerly breached boundary of a rising channel where a potential continuation of the prevailing selling attitude may occur. Traders are advised to exercise caution and closely monitor the critical resistance level of around 11,750.

Key price levels

S3	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	R3
11,320	11,440	11,500	11,595	11,750	11,825	11,950



Source: Bloomberg, Argam

TASI daily chart

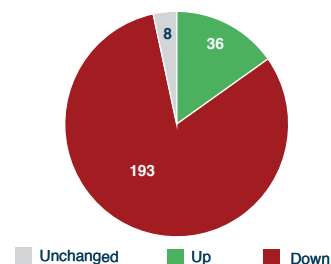


Source: Tradingview, Aljazira Capital

Our view



Market depth



SAUDI MARKET - TOP PICKS FOR THE WEEK

Code	Company	Close*	Buy range	Sell range	Reward %	Stop loss
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No stocks recommendations due to market volatility

*As of 08th August 2024

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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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