



Major Economic News

- **The Communications, Space, and Technology Commission** released its report on the usage and penetration of internet in Saudi Arabia for FY23. According to the report, internet penetration in the Kingdom reached nearly 99% by the end of FY23, up from 98.6% a year earlier. (Source: Argaam)
- **Saudi Arabia imported 93,300 cars** in FY23, compared to nearly 66,900 in FY22. Thus, the total number of cars imported in FY22 and FY23 through all Saudi Arabia's land, sea, and airports reached more than 160,000. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- **ADES Holding Company** announced that it has received a contract from Suez Oil Company (SUOC) in Egypt for a 21-month jack-up drilling contract in the Gulf of Suez, expected to commence in the coming weeks. The contract value from the firm term is approximately SAR 161.0mn. (Source: Argaam)
- **Perfect Presentation for Commercial Services Co. (2P)** signed a new Shariah-compliant credit facility agreement worth SAR 149.0mn with Banque Saudi Fransi. The facility was valid until December 31, 2024. (Source: Tadawul)

Earnings update (Net Profit) (SAR mn)

Company	Q1-24	Q1-23	Y/Y %	Q4-23	Q/Q %
AMAK	15.1	32.9	-54.0	5.9	154.7
Luberef	239.0	445.7	-46.4	268.7	-11.0
GIG	-20.2	56.7	NM	22.0	NM
BAHRI	452.9	492.5	-8.0	401.2	12.9
Tadawul Group	201.5	90.8	121.9	91.8	119.5

*NM means Not Meaningful

Market Analysis

The **Saudi Stock Exchange** increased 0.1% to 12,352.3. The value traded stood at SAR 6.6bn (up 9.6% over the previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 120/103. The parallel market index increased 0.4% to 26,457.8 points. The value traded stood at SAR 77.1mn (down 183.0% over the previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the green. Insurance and Software & Services (up 3.2 and 2.4%, respectively) advanced the most, while Consumer Durables and Materials (down 1.0% and 0.5%, respectively) led the laggards.

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
ALBAHA	0.14	7.7
RAYDAN	30.90	7.3
TAWUNIYA	160.80	6.6
EIC	5.22	5.7
MEDGULF	29.45	5.6

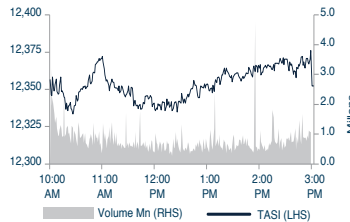
Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
CHEMICAL	7.77	-5.4
MARAFIQ	63.50	-5.2
ZOUJAJ	42.45	-4.8
SASCO	81.20	-4.1
SHAKER	34.00	-3.3

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	12,352	12,380	12,331	0.1	3.2
NomuC	26,458	26,606	26,363	0.4	7.9

TASI movement during session



TASI Ratios

P/E* (x)	28.1
Price-to-Book (x)	2.5
Dividend Yield (%)	2.6
Return on Equity (%)	19.5

*Source: Argaam (Excluding Aramco)

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,662	-0.3	-8.9	16.2
Materials	6,302	-0.5	-0.8	High
Capital Goods	12,331	0.7	24.2	43.4
Commercial Service	5,282	-0.1	-5.0	High
Transportation	7,612	0.2	20.1	38.4
Consumer Durables	5,657	-1.0	12.6	Neg
Consumer Services	5,371	0.1	8.7	41.2
Media	30,746	1.4	25.4	High
Consumer Discretionary Ret	8,257	0.3	-3.2	24.3
Consumer Staples Ret	10,156	0.5	4.9	25.1
Food & Beverages	6,283	0.0	12.0	31.6
Healthcare	13,604	-0.2	13.1	49.4
Pharma & Bio Tech	5,114	-0.1	5.3	47
Banks	11,778	-0.3	-3.5	13.6
Financial Services	8,295	0.2	24.7	38.8
Insurance	11,167	3.2	31.8	30.1
Telecom	7,567	0.2	-2.0	14.2
Utilities	14,098	1.0	41.9	31.4
REITs	3,445	0.4	-6.1	26.8
Real Estate	3,785	0.7	24.2	42.4
Software & Services	77,558	2.4	13.1	47.2

Average Index Value

Average days 5	Average days 10	Average days 20	Average value traded for April (bn)
12,339	12,382	12,464	7.92

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	33.1	1,297.00	2,407.10
Previous week	39.1	1,905.40	2,685.10

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Saudi Aramco	29.95	-0.3
Al Rajhi	79.80	-0.1
SNB	36.20	-2.8
ACWA POWER	406.60	1.7
ALINMA	32.25	-1.1





International Market News

- **According to Baker Hughes**, North America's rig count decreased to 725 in the week ended May 03 from 731 earlier. The rig count fell to 605 in the US from 613 earlier, while increased to 17 in the Gulf of Mexico from 15. The rig count in Canada increased to 120 from 118 earlier. (Source: Baker Hughes)
- **US initial jobless claims** remained unchanged at 208,000 (consensus: 211,000) in the week ended April 27, same as the previous week's revised level of 208,000. (Source: Econoday)
- **US nonfarm payroll** increased 175,000 M/M in April (consensus: a rise of 243,000) compared with 315,000 in March. The unemployment rate rose to 3.9% in April (consensus: 3.8%). The private payroll increased 167,000 in April (consensus: 190,000) compared with 243,000 in March. (Source: Econoday)
- **The Organization for Economic and Co-operation and Development (OECD)** lifted the global growth forecast for FY24 and FY25 despite some substantial concerns about the outlook. The global growth forecast for this year has increased to 3.1% from 2.9% projected in February. The outlook for next year was lifted to 3.2% from 3.0%. (Source: RTT News)
- **Oil fell** 0.8% on Friday, as weaker-than-expected US job data raised demand concerns.
- **Gold fell** 0.1% with markets weighing prospects of higher interest rates for longer and staying away from the yellow metal.

Forex / Currency

Currency / USD	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	105.03	-0.3	-1.1	3.6
Euro	1.08	0.3	0.9	-2.5
Japanese Yen	153.05	-0.4	-3.0	8.5
Sterling Pound	1.25	0.1	0.4	-1.4
Chinese Yuan	7.19	-0.2	-0.9	0.9
Indian Rupee	83.43	-0.0	-0.0	0.3
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	-0.1	0.1
Omani Rial	0.38	-0.0	-0.0	-0.0
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
Egyptian Pound	47.92	-0.1	0.1	55.0

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
5-May	ALDREES	Eligibility of Cash Dividend
5-May	ALDREES	EGM
5-May	ALWASAIL	Eligibility of Cash Dividend
5-May	Yaqeen Capital	Start of IPO
5-May	RETAL	Eligibility of Cash Dividend
5-May	EPCCO	EGM

EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting*

OGM: Ordinary General Meeting*

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	4,143	0.0	-0.3	2.0	8.0
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	9,037	0.1	-0.3	-5.6	19.7
Kuwait (KSE)	7,651	-0.1	-0.5	2.3	18.1
Qatar (QE)	9,611	-1.0	-1.2	-11.3	10.8
Oman (MSM)	4,773	0.1	-0.2	5.7	12.5
Bahrain (BSE)	2,029	-0.0	-0.0	2.9	8.0
Egypt (EGX30)	26,114	3.3	6.8	4.9	9.8

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	38,676	1.2	2.3	2.6	22.4
Nasdaq	17,891	2.0	2.6	6.3	33.0
S&P 500	5,128	1.3	1.8	7.5	24.5
FTSE 100	8,213	0.5	0.9	6.2	14.6
Germany DAX 30	18,002	0.6	0.4	7.5	15.0
France CAC 40	7,958	0.5	-0.3	5.5	14.0
Japan Nikkei 225	38,236	0.0	-0.4	14.3	27.3
Russia MOEX	3,442	-0.0	-0.8	11.1	3.9
Hong Kong Hang Seng	18,476	1.5	4.0	8.4	10.4
South Korea KOSPI	2,677	-0.3	-0.6	0.8	19.3
China Shanghai Composite	3,105	0.0	0.0	4.4	13.4
Australia ASX 200	7,629	0.6	-0.5	0.5	19.4
India Sensex	73,878	-1.0	-0.8	2.3	24.0
MSCI EM	1,061	0.8	1.5	3.7	15.3
MSCI World	3,361	1.2	1.7	6.1	21.0

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	86.04	-0.8	-3.8	7.0
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	82.96	-0.8	-5.6	7.7
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	78.11	-1.1	-4.7	9.0
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	2.14	5.3	7.6	-15.0
Gold (\$/oz)	2,301.74	-0.1	0.7	11.6
Silver (\$/oz)	26.56	-0.5	1.0	11.6
Steel (\$/ton)	813.00	0.4	0.0	-28.4
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	887.50	0.0	0.0	-14.9
Wheat (\$/bu)	622.50	3.0	3.2	-3.6
Corn (\$/bu)	460.25	0.1	3.0	-6.8
Sugar (\$/lb)	19.28	0.2	-0.7	-5.5
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,353.00	0.1	0.5	-8.7

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
KSA (SAIBOR 1M)	5.88	7.0	1.4	-3.7
KSA (SAIBOR 3M)	6.24	2.1	-0.2	0.7
KSA (SAIBOR 6M)	6.16	4.2	8.1	8.3
KSA (SAIBOR 12M)	5.89	1.0	1.1	-10.3
USA (SOFR 3M)	5.33	-0.8	-0.1	-0.4
UAE (EIBOR 3M)	5.32	7.4	0.4	-0.8

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

Closes as of May 2, 2024



Technical observations	
Index	TASI
Ticker	SASEIDX Index
Last Close	12,352
Short-term view	Neutral
52 weeks high/low	12,883 – 10,262

Market data	
Exchange Market Cap. (SAR bn)	10,713.8
Value (SAR mn)	6,553.2
Volume (mn)	254.6
Number of Transactions	475,674
Market Breadth	120 : 103

Key statistics	
1D return %	0.05%
MTD return %	-0.34%
QTD return	-0.40%
YTD return	3.22%
ADT vol. 3M* (mn)	361.1
ADT val. 3M (SARmn)	8,784.1

*ADT stands for Average Daily Traded

TASI market commentary

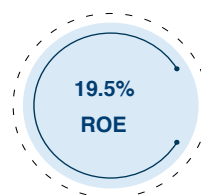
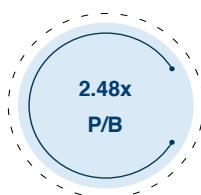
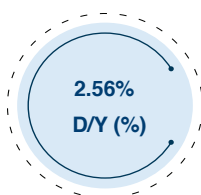
- TASI experienced a marginal rise on Thursday; primarily driven by the performance of the Telecommunication services sector (up 0.15%) and the Utilities sector (up 0.96%). At close, the Saudi market ended the day with a change of 0.05% at 12,352. In terms of activity, total volumes and value traded were ~255mn and ~SAR 6.6bn, respectively. The advance-decline ratio came in at 120/103.

Technical outlook

- TASI closed the last session near 12,352, registering a modest gain of 7 points. The index witnessed a session with a tight range as it tested its 10-day SMA around 12,385. TASI formed a Doji candlestick, which needs to be confirmed by a subsequent bearish candlestick pattern to indicate the dominance of the profit booking sentiment. Additionally, the RSI indicator remains hovering below the 50 level as well as a declining trendline. TASI has an immediate resistance level of around 12,385. If successfully surpassed, the subsequent resistance levels to watch for would be around 12,465 – 12,625. On the other hand, an immediate support level is observed around 12,260. If breached, the subsequent support levels would be around 12,185 – 12,100. TASI is still encountering the significant resistance zone formed by the previous troughs and the 20-day SMA around 12,370 – 12,465. Accordingly, traders are advised to closely monitor this resistance zone, as a decisive close above it could potentially trigger a further buying sentiment in the market.

Key price levels

S3	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	R3
12,100	12,185	12,260	12,370	12,385	12,465	12,625



Source: Bloomberg, Argaam

TASI daily chart

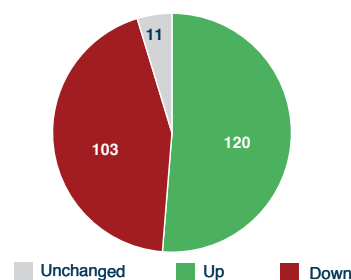


Source: Tradingview, Aljazira Capital

Our view



Market depth





SAUDI MARKET - TOP PICKS FOR THE DAY

Code	Company	Close*	Buy range	Sell range	Stop loss
8010	Tawuniya	160.80	160.40 – 160.80	162.20 – 165.40	159.00
6010	NADEC	35.35	35.25 – 35.35	35.70 – 36.05	34.95
2382	Ades	19.98	19.92 – 19.98	20.16 – 20.38	19.76
6090	JAZADCO	16.82	16.78 – 16.82	16.98 – 17.16	16.62
8250	GIG	38.75	38.65 – 38.75	39.10 – 39.55	38.30
2082	ACWA Power	406.60	405.60 – 406.60	410.20 – 414.80	401.80

*As of 2nd May 2024

* Note – Stop loss is based on an intraday basis

CHARTS OF THE DAY

Technical observations

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

The Company for Cooperative Insurance (Tawuniya)



Source: Tradingview, Aljazira Capital

Technical observations

NADEC started to bounce off the level of the prior peak after penetrating it. Moreover, all the technical indicators show bullish structure.

National Agricultural Development Co. (NADEC)



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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