



Domestic Market News

- **KSA's** exports of chemical industry and related products rose 4% Y/Y to SAR 6.6bn in September. The exports of chemical industry and related products represented 25% of total non-oil exports. (Source: Argaam)
- **KSA** aims to automate 40% of its electricity distribution networks by the end of 2025. This reflects the optimal balance between operational efficiency and economic feasibility with 32% already achieved. (Source: Argaam)
- **AlKhaleej** Trading completed the issuance of licenses for Rawad Alkhaleej Schools in Al-Ahsa governate, starting from FY24-25. The financial impact to appear from Q4-24. (Source: Tadawul)
- **AlSaif Gallery** opened its first branch in Qatar. With this the total branches came in at 73. Financial impact to appear from Q4-24. (Source: Tadawul)
- **Arab Sea** completed transferring ownership of office tower and designated as headquarters of the company and its subsidiaries. The property value will be paid over 10-year installments, with payments starting on January 01, 2025. (Source: Tadawul)
- **Retal** signed SAR 349mn contract with Building Construction Company to construct 502 residential units in Riyadh city. The project will be financed through available facilities and off-plan sales proceeds. (Source: Tadawul)
- **Alaseel** through its subsidiary established Jada Al-Harir Trading Company. This will have positive financial impact from Q1-25. (Source: Tadawul)

Market Analysis

The **Saudi Stock Exchange** increased 0.3% to 12,096.7 points. The value traded stood at SAR 4.8bn (up 44.6% over the previous day), while advance-decline ratio stood at 71/154. The parallel market index decreased 0.1% to 31,144.4 points. The value traded stood at SAR 81.0mn (up 16.9% over the previous day). Most of the sectors in the main market ended in red. Utilities and Capital Goods (up 2.4% and 1.1%, respectively), increased the most, while Transportation and Retailing (down 1.0% and 0.7%, respectively) declined the most.

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
SIDC	28.10	4.3
RIYADH CABLES	151.00	4.1
FAKEEH CARE	70.80	4.1
BATIC	3.55	4.1
EMAAR EC	8.54	3.9

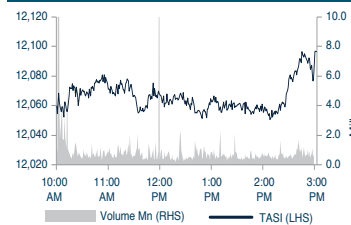
Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
CHEMICAL	9.93	-3.6
ASTRA INDUSTRIAL	187.00	-3.1
CARE	168.00	-3.1
GULF GENERAL	10.20	-3.0
BUDGET SAUDI	78.10	-3.0

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	12,097	12,097	12,046	0.3	0.5
NomuC	31,144	31,270	31,083	0.1	27.0

TASI movement during session



TASI Ratios

P/E* (x)	24.1
Price-to-Book (x)	2.4
Dividend Yield (%)	2.7
Return on Equity (%)	18.7

*Source: Argaam (Excluding Aramco)

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,387	0.2	-13.5	16.9
Materials	5,671	-0.4	-11.3	49.8
Capital Goods	15,861	1.1	57.3	25.8
Commercial Service	5,009	-0.4	-10.2	37.7
Transportation	7,108	-1.0	11.9	32
Consumer Durables	5,355	-0.5	7.5	Neg
Consumer Services	4,990	-0.6	0.3	41.9
Media	32,218	-0.5	31.2	High
Consumer Discretionary Ret	7,694	-0.7	-10.7	21.2
Consumer Staples Ret	8,582	0.5	-12.2	21.7
Food & Beverages	6,050	0.8	7.5	23.4
Healthcare	12,531	0.5	2.5	41
Pharma & Bio Tech	5,080	-0.4	4.4	38.5
Banks	12,134	0.5	-1.2	12.7
Financial Services	7,820	0.6	16.1	30.2
Insurance	10,283	0.3	19.6	23.8
Telecom	8,017	-0.5	3.2	15.3
Utilities	13,560	2.4	36.6	26.5
REITs	3,183	-0.3	-13.2	26.4
Real Estate	3,593	-0.4	17.5	High
Software & Services	83,111	0.1	21.2	39.9

Average Index Value

Average days 5	Average days 10	Average days 20	Average value traded for December (bn)
12,120	12,029	11,899	5.52

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	8.1	763.30	759.30
Previous week	29.2	3,024.20	2,343.70

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Saudi Aramco	28.50	0.2
Al Rajhi	93.50	0.8
ACWA POWER	392.20	3.2
SNB	33.70	-0.6
STC	40.70	-0.5





International Market News

- **New York Fed's** general business conditions index plummeted to 0.2 in December after spiking to 31.2 in November. Looking ahead firms remained optimistic about the business conditions but the index for future business activity slid to 24.6 in December from 33.2 in November. (Source: RTT News)
- **Eurozone's** composite output index rose to 49.5 in December from 48.3 in November, pointing to a softer and marginal fall in output. The private sector contracted at the end of the year reflecting the falls in Germany and France, while the rest of region posted a solid increase in output. (Source: Reuters)
- **UK's** composite output index posted 50.5 in December, unchanged from November's 13-month low. The private sector logged steady growth in December with rising activity across services economy offsetting an accelerated downturn in manufacturing output. (Source: CNBC)
- **China's** industrial production expanded 5.4% Y/Y and was slightly faster than the 5.3 % rise in October. While retail sales growth weakened more than expected to 3.0% in November from 4.8%. (Source: Reuters)
- **Japan's** manufacturing PMI score was 49.5 in December and was up from 49.0 in November. New orders continued to fall at steeper pace while output fell slightly as higher workforce capacity supported the strongest clearance of backlogged orders since March. (Source: RTT News)
- **Oil prices** fell 0.8% due to weakness in China's consumer spending.
- **Gold prices** gained 0.2% as traders awaited US Fed's interest rate decision.

Forex / Currency

Currency / USD	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	106.86	-0.1	1.1	5.5
Euro	1.05	0.1	-0.6	-4.8
Japanese Yen	154.15	0.3	2.9	9.3
Sterling Pound	1.27	0.5	-0.4	-0.4
Chinese Yuan	7.29	0.2	0.6	2.3
Indian Rupee	84.87	0.1	0.4	2.0
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	0.1
Omani Rial	0.39	0.0	-0.0	0.0
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
Egyptian Pound	50.80	-0.1	2.4	64.3

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
17-Dec	SADAFCO	EGM
17-Dec	VIEW	EGM
18-Dec	SSP	EGM
18-Dec	SHL	EGM
18-Dec	ALMUNAJEM	Cash Dividend Distribution
18-Dec	MUFEED	Eligibility of Cash Dividend

EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting*

OGM: Ordinary General Meeting*

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	5,048	4.5	4.1	24.3	9.7
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	9,280	0.2	0.5	-3.1	16.6
Kuwait (KSE)	7,808	-0.4	0.6	4.4	22.7
Qatar (QE)	10,578	0.4	1.5	-0.1	11.5
Oman (MSM)	4,521	0.1	-0.9	0.8	11.2
Bahrain (BSE)	2,008	0.0	-1.2	2.4	16.2
Egypt (EGX30)	30,799	0.1	1.8	24.7	6.4

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	43,717	-0.3	-2.7	16.0	23.9
Nasdaq	20,174	1.2	5.0	34.4	41.8
S&P 500	6,074	0.4	0.7	27.3	27.3
FTSE 100	8,262	-0.5	-0.3	6.8	13.2
Germany DAX 30	20,314	-0.5	3.5	21.3	17.0
France CAC 40	7,357	-0.7	1.7	-2.5	14.0
Japan Nikkei 225	39,457	-0.0	3.3	17.9	19.3
Brazil IBOVESPA	123,560	-0.8	-1.7	-7.9	8.3
Hong Kong Hang Seng	19,795	-0.9	1.9	16.1	9.9
South Korea KOSPI	2,489	-0.2	1.3	-6.3	11.8
China Shanghai Composite	3,386	-0.2	1.8	13.8	16.3
Australia ASX 200	8,249	-0.6	-2.2	8.7	21.1
India Sensex	81,749	-0.5	2.4	13.2	23.5
MSCI EM	1,103	-0.3	2.3	7.8	14.1
MSCI World	3,827	0.3	0.4	20.8	22.7

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	75.64	0.5	2.5	-5.9
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	73.91	-0.8	1.3	-4.1
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	70.71	-0.8	4.0	-1.3
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	3.21	-2.0	-4.4	-15.4
Gold (\$/oz)	2,652.72	0.2	0.4	28.6
Silver (\$/oz)	30.55	-0.0	-0.2	28.4
Steel (\$/ton)	675.00	0.0	-3.6	-40.5
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	806.50	-1.4	2.3	-22.7
Wheat (\$/bu)	550.00	-0.4	0.4	-19.0
Corn (\$/bu)	445.00	0.7	2.8	-13.5
Sugar (\$/lb)	20.68	-0.2	-1.9	-0.1
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,635.00	0.0	-1.2	2.3

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
KSA (SAIBOR 1M)	5.67	7.2	23.4	-24.2
KSA (SAIBOR 3M)	5.74	17.2	13.4	-49.5
KSA (SAIBOR 6M)	5.48	0.3	-4.2	-59.2
KSA (SAIBOR 12M)	5.19	8.6	7.8	-80.1
USA (SOFR 3M)	4.35	0.3	-11.5	-98.0
UAE (EIBOR 3M)	4.35	-2.0	-17.2	-97.9

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

Closes as of Dec 16, 2024





Technical observations	
Index	TASI
Ticker	SASEIDX Index
Last Close	12,097
Short-term view	Hold
52 weeks high/low	12,883 – 10,262

Market data	
Exchange Market Cap. (SAR bn)	10,335.3
Value (SAR mn)	4,814.0
Volume (mn)	320.3
Number of Transactions	431,909
Market Breadth	71 : 154

Key statistics	
1D return %	0.31%
MTD return %	3.91%
QTD return	-1.06%
YTD return	1.08%
ADT vol. 3M* (mn)	659.4
ADT val. 3M (SARmn)	6,274.7

*ADT stands for Average Daily Traded

TASI market commentary

- TASI experienced a rise on Monday; primarily driven by the performance of the Banks sector (up 0.49%) and the Energy sector (up 0.16%). At close, the Saudi market ended the day with a change of 0.31% at 12,097. In terms of activity, total volumes and value traded were ~320mn and ~SAR 4.8bn, respectively. The advance-decline ratio came in at 71/154.

Technical outlook

- TASI closed the last session near 12,097, marking an increase of 37 points. The index displays an intervening buying sentiment amidst the prevailing profit-booking attitude. Nevertheless, the target zone near 12,335 – 12,390 would stay attainable as long as the index maintains trading above its 20-day SMA near 11,900. TASI formed a green-bodied candlestick accompanied by below-average trading activity, indicating an interim rise within the context of profit booking in the short run. Additionally, the RSI indicator is moving laterally within the trajectory toward the level of 50. TASI has an immediate resistance level around 12,120. If successfully surpassed, the subsequent resistance levels to watch for would be around 12,175 – 12,220. On the other hand, an immediate support level is seen around 12,025. If breached, the subsequent support levels would be around 11,925 – 11,830. Traders are advised to trade cautiously and keep a close eye on the support of the upper boundary of the declining channel near 11,925, where potential buying attitude may reemerge.

Key price levels

S3	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	R3
11,830	11,925	12,025	12,120	12,175	12,220	12,335



Source: Bloomberg, Argaam

TASI daily chart

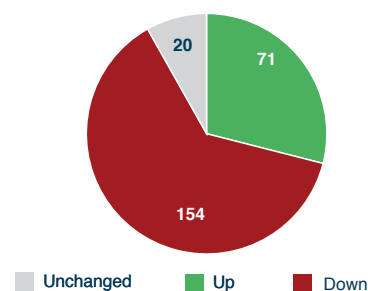


Source: Tradingview, Aljazeera Capital

Our view



Market depth





SAUDI MARKET - TOP PICKS FOR THE DAY

Code	Company	Close*	Buy range	Sell range	Stop loss
7202	Solutions	280.40	279.80 - 280.40	282.80 - 285.40	276.80
8240	Chubb	49.95	49.85 - 49.95	50.40 - 50.90	49.30
8200	Saudi Reinsurance	47.05	46.95 - 47.05	47.45 - 47.90	46.45
1214	Shaker	28.15	28.05 - 28.15	28.40 - 28.70	27.80
4142	Riyadh Cables	151.00	150.60 - 151.00	152.40 - 154.00	149.00
4250	Jabal Omar	21.18	21.12 - 21.18	21.36 - 21.58	20.90
2382	Ades	17.66	17.62 - 17.66	17.80 - 18.00	17.44

*As of 16th December 2024

* Note – Stop loss is based on an intraday basis

CHARTS OF THE DAY

Technical observations

SOLUTIONS started to bounce off its 20-day SMA as well as the support level of the prior peak. Moreover, all the technical indicators show bullish structure.

Arabian Internet and Communications Services Co. (SOLUTIONS)



Source: Tradingview, Aljazira Capital

Technical observations

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

CHUBB Arabia Cooperative Insurance Co. (CHUBB)



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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