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# Saudi & Global Markets Review Monthly Report | December 2024

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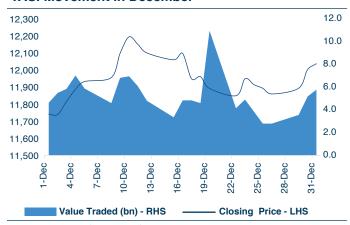


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TASI ended December 2024 at 12,037 points, representing a increase of 3.39% from last month's close. With an average daily value traded of SAR 5.2bn, the total value traded in December aggregated to SAR 119.6bn; representing a decrease of 5.8% M/M from November's SAR 126.9bn in total value traded. The Banks and Materials sectors accounted for 27.9% of the total value traded during the month. Of TASI's 21 sectors, 15 sectors recorded M/M gains in December; Insurance increased the most by 10.0% M/M followed by Utilities at 8.0% M/M. On the other end, Consumer Discretionary and Consumer Services both recorded a decline of 3.2% and 2.3% respectively. Savola was the best performing stock for the month, recording a 41.3% M/M increase, followed by UIHC 36.4% M/M gains. On the losing side of the monthly performance leaderboards, Jahez and Tamkeen bottomed the list with a drawdown of 19.4%, and 16.4% M/M, respectively. On YTD basis, Saudi Re was the best performing stock, recording a 189.8% YTD increase, while Arabian Drilling bottomed the list with a drawdown of 41.6% YTD. SAIC traded as the market's lowest P/E (TTM) at a multiple of 6.5x by December's end, followed by ANB, at a P/E (TTM) of 8.7x, compared to TASI's P/E of 24.1x (excluding Aramco). The free-float ownership from qualified foreign investors (QFIs) in the Kingdom made up a concentration of 10.40% of the total free-float ownership in the market for the month of December 2024, up from November's 10.0% ownership.

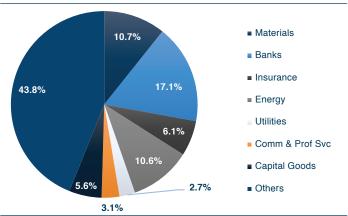
#### **TASI Movement in December**



Source: TADAWUL, Aljazira Capital

TASI started the month closing at 11,742 points and ended at 12,037 points with an average daily value traded of SAR 5.2bn.

#### **Share of Total Traded Value by Sector (%)**



Source: TADAWUL, Aljazira Capital

Banks and Materials sectors represent a 27.9% of the total traded values for all sectors, accounting for 17.1% and 10.7%, respectively, of the total value traded in December.

#### **Sectors Performance**

Sector	M/M	Sector	YTD
TASI	3.4%	TASI	0.6%
Insurance	10.0%	Capital goods	52.8%
Utilities	8.0%	Utilities	38.6%
Food & Beverages	6.3%	Media	30.1%
Capital goods	6.2%	Insurance	25.4%
Banks	5.3%	Real Estate	20.5%
Media	5.0%	Software & Services	19.0%
Real Estate	4.1%	Diversified Financials	16.3%
Consumer Durables	3.3%	Transportation	11.5%
Diversified Financials	2.7%	Consumer Durables	7.7%
Energy	2.1%	Food & Beverages	7.2%
Healthcare	1.8%	Pharma & Bio Tech	2.1%
Pharma & Bio Tech	1.6%	Telecom	1.9%
Software & Services	1.5%	Banks	0.5%
Transportation	0.9%	Consumer Services	-1.9%
REITs	0.0%	Healthcare	-2.3%
Materials	-0.5%	Consumer Discretionary Ret	-11.8%
Telecom	-1.0%	Commercial Service	-11.9%
Consumer Staples Ret	-1.0%	Materials	-12.3%
Commercial Service	-1.4%	REITs	-13.5%
Consumer Services	-2.3%	Consumer Staples Ret	-13.5%
Consumer Discretionary Ret	-3.2%	Energy	-14.8%

Source: TADAWUL, Aljazira Capital

By December's end, TASI was up by 295 points. The index increased by 0.6% YTD and 3.4% M/M in December.

Out of TASI's 21 sectors, 15 sectors posted a positive performance during December.

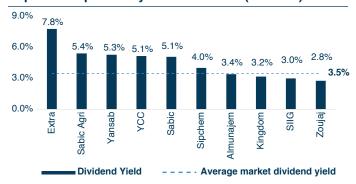
On the losing side of December's M/M leaderboard was Consumer Discretionary, which decreased 3.2% M/M, followed by Consumer Services which decreased 2.3% M/M, followed by Commercial Service and Consumer Staples at 1.4% M/M and 1.0% M/M, respectively.

As per December's YTD performance, Capital goods (52.8%) and Utilities (38.6%) topped the sectors' leaderboards. Out of 21 sectors, 13 sectors registered a positive performance. At the other end of December's leaderboards was the Energy and Consumer Staples sectors which declined by 14.8% and 13.5% YTD respectively.





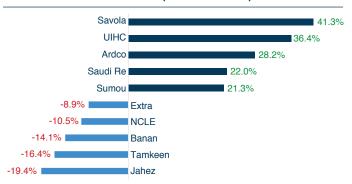
Top 10 Companies by Dividend Yield (FY 2024)



Source: Argaam, Aljazira Capital, Prices as of 31st December 2024

Extra and Sabic Agri offered the highest dividend yields to shareholders as per FY24 payouts, at 7.8% and 5.4%, respectively. Yansab and YCC followed with 5.3% and 5.1%, respectively. Then followed by Sabic and Sipchem at 5.1% and 4.0%, respectively. The average dividend yield of the market stood at 3.5%.

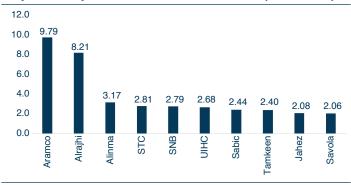
#### Gainers/Losers of the Month (December 2024)



Source: TADAWUL, Argaam, Aljazira Capital

Savola topped December's M/M performances within KSA's equities universe at a 41.3% M/M gain; followed by UIHC increase of 36.4% M/M. However, Jahez and Tamkeen decreased the most both at 19.4%, and 16.4% M/M, respectively.

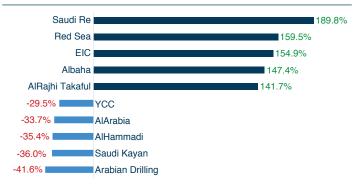
Top 10 Companies in Total Value Traded (in SAR bn)



Source: TADAWUL, Aljazira Capital

Aramco topped the market with the highest total value traded by the end of December at SAR 9.79bn. Followed by AlRajhi and Alinma, at SAR 8.21bn and SAR 3.17bn, respectively. STC and SNB both made the top five leaderboards as they recorded SAR 2.81bn and SAR 2.79bn, respectively for the month.

#### Gainers/Losers of FY24



Source: TADAWUL, Argaam, Aljazira Capital

Saudi Re topped YTD performances within KSA's equities universe at a 189.8% YTD gain; followed by Red Sea's increase of 159.5% YTD. However, Arabian Drilling and Saudi Kayan decreased the most both at 41.6%, and 36.0% YTD, respectively.

# Best/Worst Contributors to TASI (by C Points – YTD 2024)



Source: Bloomberg, Aljazira Capital

Acwa Power and Al Rajhi Bank were the most to upwardly support the index, together contributing a c.502.7points towards the index on YTD basis. However, heayweights such as Aramco and SNB Bank weighed the index downwards by c.246.8 points.

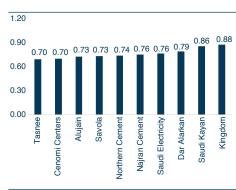
### Companies with the Lowest P/E (TTM)



Source: Argaam, Aljazira Capital, as of Jan 02, 2025

SAIC and ANB traded as the market's lowest P/E (TTM) by December's end at multiples of 6.5x and 8.7x, respectively. Followed by ACIG and SAB which offered P/E multiples of 8.8x and 9.2x, respectively.

#### Companies with the Lowest P/B



Source: Argaam, Aljazira Capital, as of Jan 02, 2025

Tasnee and Cenomi Centers traded at the lowest P/B ratios in December at 0.70x each. Followed by Alujain and Savola which traded at 0.73x each.



#### **Regional and International Performance**

- By the end of December, majority of the regional markets posted positive performances. Dubai, Kuwait, Abu Dhabi, Qatar and Oman indices increased by 7.0% M/M, 4.5% M/M, 1.7% M/M, 1.5% M/M and 0.3% M/M, respectively. Only Egypt index decreased by 1.7% M/M.
- Nasdaq increased by 1.3% M/M, while both Dow Jones and S&P indices decreased by 4.9% M/M and 2.0% M/M respectively. The indices monitored ended the month with mixed performances. For the European markets, France CAC 40 index and German's DAX 30 index increased by 2.8% M/M and 2.5% M/M, respectively. As for the Asian markets, South Korea's KOSPI decreased the most by 4.2% M/M, followed India's Sensex by 1.1% M/M. On the other hand, Japan's Nikkei 225, Hong Kong's Hang Seng and China's Shanghai Composite increased by 4.0% M/M, 3.6% M/M and 1.7% M/M, respectively.
- The MSCI World index tracking 23 developed markets decreased by 2.1% M/M, while MSCI's EM decreased by 0.4% M/M.

Regional Markets				
Market	Close	M/M	YTD	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	5,159	7.0%	27.1%	10.0
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	9,419	1.7%	-1.7%	16.8
Kuwait (KSE)	6,907	4.5%	24.0%	16.6
Qatar (QE)	10,571	1.5%	-2.4%	11.5
Oman (MSM)	4,577	0.3%	-0.1%	11.4
Egypt (EGX30)	29,741	-1.7%	19.5%	6.1

#### International Markets

Global Indices	Close	M/M	YTD	P/E
Dow Jones	42,544	-4.9%	12.9%	23.2
Nasdaq	21,012	1.3%	24.9%	35.6
S&P 500	5,882	-2.0%	23.3%	26.5
FTSE 100	8,173	-1.3%	5.7%	13.5
Germany DAX 30	19,909	2.5%	18.8%	16.6
France CAC 40	7,381	2.8%	-2.2%	14.1
Japan Nikkei 225	39,895	4.0%	19.2%	18.7
Brazil IBOVESPA	120,283	-3.5%	-10.4%	8.0
Hong Kong Hang Seng	20,060	3.6%	17.7%	10.0
South Korea KOSPI	2,399	-4.2%	-9.6%	11.4
China Shanghai Composite	3,352	1.7%	12.7%	16.2
Australia ASX 200	8,159	-3.4%	7.5%	20.6
India Sensex	78,139	-1.1%	8.1%	22.7
MSCI EM	1,075	-0.4%	5.0%	13.7
MSCI World	3,708	-2.1%	17.0%	22.0

Source: Bloomberg, Aljazira Capital, as of 02<sup>nd</sup> of January 2025

#### **Commodities Performance**

Commodity Name	Price	M/M	3М	Y/Y	YTD	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	LOW_52WEEK	HIGH_52WEEK
Light Crude (\$/bbl)	77.3	4.9%	3.5%	-3.9%	-3.5%	-2.5%	12.3%	71.2	93.5
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	74.6	1.9%	4.0%	-3.1%	-3.1%	-4.0%	13.1%	68.7	92.2
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	71.7	4.4%	5.2%	0.1%	0.1%	-4.6%	17.5%	65.3	87.7
Natural Gas (\$/mn Btu)	3.6	13.4%	24.3%	44.5%	44.5%	-2.6%	66.0%	1.5	4.2
GOLD (\$/oz)	2,624.5	-0.5%	-0.4%	27.2%	27.2%	43.5%	73.0%	1,984.3	2,790.1
Silver (\$/oz)	28.9	-4.4%	-7.2%	21.5%	21.5%	24.0%	61.9%	21.9	34.9
Steel (\$/ton)	709.0	1.0%	-3.5%	-37.5%	-37.5%	-50.6%	20.6%	654.0	1,135.0
Lead (\$/ton)	1,932.7	-5.4%	-6.3%	-5.5%	-5.5%	-17.0%	0.8%	1,880.0	2,327.5
Zinc (\$/ton)	2,960.4	-3.1%	-3.5%	12.0%	12.0%	-17.3%	29.8%	2,288.7	3,351.0
Aluminum (\$/ton)	2,551.5	-1.8%	-2.3%	7.0%	7.0%	-9.1%	41.0%	2,152.5	2,799.0
Copper (\$/ton)	8,768.0	-2.6%	-10.8%	2.4%	2.4%	-9.8%	42.0%	8,127.0	11,104.5
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	779.0	-0.5%	-1.6%	-25.3%	-25.3%	13.9%	12.1%	650.0	1,154.5
Wheat (\$/bu)	551.5	0.5%	-8.7%	-18.8%	-18.8%	-25.3%	-25.3%	529.3	772.8
Cocoa (\$/ton)	11,675.0	32.0%	51.2%	178.2%	178.2%	363.3%	359.6%	4,034.0	12,931.0
Sugar (\$/lb)	19.3	-11.2%	-15.0%	-6.4%	-6.4%	2.0%	43.5%	17.5	24.6
SMP (EUR/MT)	2,604.0	-1.8%	-0.8%	1.0%	1.0%	-22.6%	1.3%	2,325.0	2,675.0
Coffee (\$/lb)	319.8	-2.0%	18.3%	69.8%	69.8%	41.4%	146.5%	175.6	347.4

Source: Bloomberg, Aljazira Capital, as on 02<sup>nd</sup> of January, 2025

Natural Gas, Light Crude, Texas Crude and Brent Crude all increased by 13.4% M/M, 4.9% M/M, 4.4% M/M and 1.9% M/M, respectively. Majority of the metals demonstrated a negative performance, with Lead decreasing the most by 5.4% M/M, followed by Silver at 4.4% M/M, Zinc at 3.1% M/M, Copper at 2.6% M/M, Aluminum at 1.8% M/M, Gold and Iron Ore at 0.5% M/M, each. Only Steel increased by 1.0% M/M. Meanwhile, as for foods, Cocoa and Wheat increased by 32.0% M/M and 0.5% M/M, respectively. Sugar, Coffee and SMP decreased by 11.2% M.M, 2.0% M/M and 1.8% M/M, respectively.

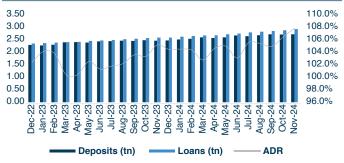


#### **Economic Data**

Macro Economic Data		Q/Q	Y/Y	
GDP (Q3-24)	SAR 1007.1bn	-1.5%	1.0%	
Reserve Assets (Q3-24)	SAR 1713.7bn	-2.3%	4.0%	
Public Debt (Q2-24)	SAR 1149.2bn	0.0%	15.6%	
Public Debt/GDP (2023)	26.2%	-	-	
Consumer spending	Nov-24	M/M	Y/Y	
ATM Withdrawals	SAR 42.81bn	-9.8%	-6.2%	
Point of Sales	SAR 56.45bn	1.3%	7.8%	
Total Spending (ATM & POS)	SAR 116.70bn	-4.0%	4.7%	
No. of ATMs	15130.00K	-0.6%	-5.3%	
No. of ATM Transactions	117.61mn	-7.1%	-7.6%	
No. of POS Terminal	1953.09K	1.4%	12.4%	
Inflation Rate ( November-24 )	2.0%			
Repo Rate (December-24)	5.0%			
	1-Month	3-Months	6-Months	12-Months
Saudi Arabia (SAIBOR)	5.63	5.54	5.46	5.25
US (SOFR)	4.33	4.31	4.25	4.18
Region	Rate	M/M (bps)	YTD (bps)	Y/Y (bps)
Saudi Arabia (SAIBOR-3M)	5.54	-6.32	-69.27	-69.27
UAE (EIBOR-3M)	4.44	-0.25	-88.25	-88.25
Bahrain (BHIBOR-3M)	5.69	-15.39	-83.55	-83.55

Source: Gastat, SAMA, Aljazira Capital, Bloomberg

#### Deposit & Loans (November 2024)



Source: SAMA, Aljazira Capital

Deposit base increased by 0.37% M/M in November to SAR 2.72tn (+10.52% Y/Y). While, loans increased by 1.70% M/M to SAR 2.93n (+13.33% Y/Y). Consequently the ADR increased to 107.9%, up 133bps M/M.

#### CPI (Inflation Rate) (November 2024)



Source: SAMA Aljazira Capital

(CPI)-Inflation for November 2024 increased by 1.98% Y/Y, as compared to 1.88% Y/Y (+10bps M/M). This was led by a 9.2% Y/Y increase in housing, water, electricity, gas, and other fuels. Point of Sales (POS) increased by 7.8% Y/Y to SAR 56.5bn, while the number of transactions increased 12.9% Y/Y to 901.8mn.

#### Mortgage Contracts & Value (November 2024)



Source: SAMA, Aljazira Capital

Mortgage contracts increased by 19.3% M/M (a 43.4% increase Y/Y) during November 2024 standing at 13.14K. Mortagage value too increased by 23.6% M/M to SAR 10.1bn (increased 51.2% Y/Y).

#### **Deposits Composition (SAR tn) (November 2024)**



Source: SAMA, Aljazira Capital

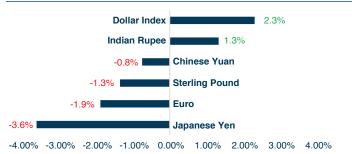
Demand deposits share in total deposits increased by 20bps M/M, while Time and Savings deposits share increased by 60bps M/M. Increase in weight of demand deposit was due to increase in both government and private demand deposits, while the increase in share of Time and saving deposits was mainly driven by increase in private time & savings deposits. Other Quasi Money deposit's share decreased by 80bps M/M.



#### **Exchange Rate**

The Dollar Index ended December with an increase of 2.3% M/M as US tariff potentials are being considered, and as market expectations on FY25 cuts have reflected potential inflationary policies post-election results. Consequentially, majority of our monitored currencies depreciated against the Dollar, with the Japanese Yen depreciating the most by 3.6%, followed by Euro at 1.9%, Sterling Pound at 1.3% and Chinese Yuan at 0.8%. Only the Indian Rupee increased by 1.3% M/M.

#### Monthly change against the US Dollar (%)



Source: Bloomberg, Aljazira capital

#### Foreign Investors Activity in KSA (December 2024)

Trading activities by Foreign investors was at a net inflow of SAR 2.72bn. While on the other hand of those trades, Saudi Institutional & indivisual investors, and GCC investors drove a net outflow of SAR 1.98bn, SAR 0.19bn, and SAR 0.55bn respectively.

#### Net Value traded (SAR bn)



Source: TADAWUL, Aljazira capital

#### Top Increases/Decreases in Foreign Ownership (%)

Symbol	Company	Change
2280	ALMARAI	4.38%
1211	MAADEN	2.73%
2240	ZAMIL INDUST	2.27%
8050	SALAMA	1.92%
4180	FITAIHI GROUP	1.10%
1835	TAMKEEN	1.07%
2190	SISCO HOLDING	0.96%
3092	RIYADH CEMENT	0.94%
4230	RED SEA	0.80%
2150	ZOUJAJ	0.80%

Symbol	Company	Change
2050	SAVOLA	-2.98%
6017	JAHEZ	-1.76%
2110	SAUDI CABLE	-1.49%
8200	SAUDI RE	-1.26%
4005	CARE	-1.26%
8300	WATANIYA	-0.96%
8060	WALAA	-0.85%
4130	ALBAHA	-0.81%
4051	BAAZEEM	-0.72%
4150	ARDCO	-0.65%

Source: Tadawul, Aljazira Capital

**Almarai** saw the largest percentage change in its foreign ownership inflow for the month of December at 4.38% M/M, while **Savola Group** experienced the largest negative QFIs ownership percentage change for the month, shedding 2.98% of its foreign ownership by the end of December.

#### Top Increases/ Decrease in Foreign Ownership by Turnover Value\* (SAR million)

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Symbol	Company	Turnover Value (SAR mn)	Symbol	Company	Turnover Value (SAR mn)
1211	MAADEN	5,216.3	2050	SAVOLA	(573.6)
2280	ALMARAI	2,476.9	2082	ACWA POWER	(140.2)
2222	SAUDI ARAMCO	1,343.1	6017	JAHEZ	(123.3)
1120	ALRAJHI	1,337.0	2010	SABIC	(122.3)
1010	RIBL	362.0	1150	ALINMA	(99.3)
7020	ETIHAD ETISALAT	238.3	4005	CARE	(93.1)
1180	SNB	197.6	2020	SABIC AGRI	(73.9)
1060	SAB	186.1	8210	BUPA ARABIA	(67.6)
4300	DAR ALARKAN	128.5	1830	LEEJAM SPORTS	(55.8)
7010	STC	99.8	8200	SAUDI RE	(55.1)

Source: Tadawul, Aljazira Capital \*AJC Estimates (excluding IPOs)

**Maaden and AlMarai** ended the month as the most stocks traded by QFIs turnover value at an inflow (by an estimated SAR 5.2bn and SAR 2.5bn respectively). **Savola Group** and **ACWA Power** came at the other end of that leaderboard at an outflow of SAR 573.6mn and SAR 140.2mn, respectively from QFIs.





Corporate Events - Saudi Stock Market

Date	ts – Saudi Stock Market Company	Event
5-Jan	CATRION	EGM
J-Jan	NICE ONE	Surplus Refund Date
6-Jan	PURITY	EGM
7-Jan	BANAN	Eligibility of Cash Dividend
7-Jaii	SMC	Surplus Refund Date
8-Jan	APC	EGM
9-Jan	RED SEA	EGM
12-Jan	AICC	EGM
12-Jaii	IOUD	EGM
13-Jan	ATAA	EGM, Eligibility of Cash Dividend
13-Jan	NAYIFAT	Cash Dividend Distribution
	ALBAHA	EGM
14-Jan	ANAAM HOLDING	EGM
	TIBBIYAH	EGM
	GASCO	Eligibility of Cash Dividend
45 lan	MCDC	EGM
15-Jan	ALETIHAD	EGM
	MEDGULF	EGM
	ARDCO	EGM
40 1	CHUBB	EGM
16-Jan	DERAYAH REIT	Cash Dividend Distribution
	FOURTH MILLING	EGM
19-Jan	ITMAM CONSULTING	Surplus Refund Date
00 1	A.OTHAIM MARKET	EGM
20-Jan	AMANA INSURANCE	EGM
04 1	BANAN	Cash Dividend Distribution
21-Jan	EAST PIPES	Cash Dividend Distribution
22-Jan	EAST PIPES	EGM
29-Jan	GASCO	Cash Dividend Distribution
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Source: Argaam, Aljazira capital



#### **Global Economic Calendar**

Date	Country	Event
	Japan	Services PMI
6-Jan	China	Services PMI
0-Jan	Euro Area	Services PMI
	USA	Services PMI, Factory Orders
7-Jan	Euro Area	Inflation, Unemployment Rate
7-5411	USA	Balance of Trade, JOLTs Job opening, Services PMI
8-Jan	Japan	Consumer Confidence
0-Jaii	Euro Area	Consumer Confidence
9-Jan	USA	FOMC Minutes, Initial Jobless Claims
9-0411	Euro Area	Retail Sales
10-Jan	USA	Non-Farm Payrolls, Unemployment rate
10-Jaii	Japan	Household Spending
12-Jan	China	Inflation, Balance of Trade
14-Jan	USA	PPI
14-0411	Japan	Current Account
15-Jan	USA	Inflation
15-5411	Euro Area	Industrial Production
16-Jan	USA	Retail Sales, Initial Jobless Claims
10-Jail	Euro Area	Balance of Trade
	China	GDP, Industrial Production, Retail Sales
17-Jan	USA	Building Permits, Housing Starts
	Euro Area	Inflation
20-Jan	Japan	Machinery Orders
20-Jaii	China	Loan Prime

Source: Trading economics, Aljazira Capital



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