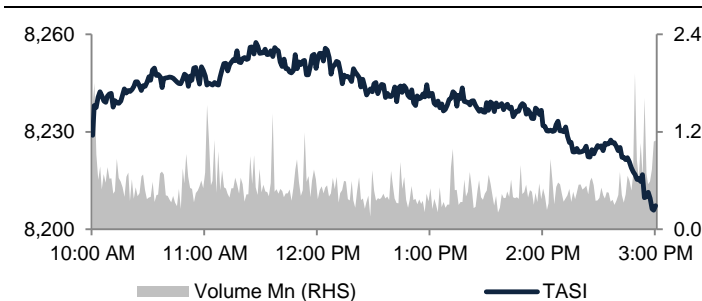


Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change %	YTD %
TASI	8,210	8,258	8,205	(0.4)	13.6
NOMU	2,830	2,830	2,808	0.9	(9.9)

TASI movement during session



Index	Close	Daily Change %	% YTD	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,006	(3.7)	17.0	17.0
Materials	5,910	(0.7)	16.9	21.8
Capital Goods	3,856	0.0	(11.2)	-28.4
Commercial Service	4,598	(0.8)	9.3	19.7
Transportation	3,808	(0.6)	(5.1)	18.1
Consumer Durables	3,870	0.1	(6.5)	-18.8
Consumer Services	3,383	(0.3)	(8.2)	14.7
Media	12,642	0.7	63.4	520.9
Retailing	6,307	1.8	12.0	20.7
Food & Staples	6,245	(0.6)	11.3	18.5
Food & Beverages	4,494	(0.3)	(8.2)	27.3
Healthcare	4,457	(0.1)	0.3	20.3
Pharma & Bio Tech	4,215	1.1	6.1	25.3
Banks	7,158	(0.3)	30.1	13.5
Diversified Financials	3,724	0.1	(7.6)	-35.1
Insurance	4,033	1.2	(14.6)	32.7
Telecom	5,220	(0.7)	22.8	31.4
Utilities	4,029	(0.1)	(11.7)	71.6
REITs	3,802	(0.2)	(17.9)	56.0
Real Estate	3,612	(0.5)	(23.1)	29.3

Average Index Value

Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
8,236	8,275	8,355	4.13

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000 shares)
Current Week	17.3	588.3	393.5
Previous week	18.4	686.4	470.8

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
SVCP	48.20	6.5
AlHokair	26.05	5.0
Bupa Arabia	97.00	3.2
SARCO	44.80	3.1
Enaya	24.10	2.9

Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
Petro Rabigh	25.85	-8.2
APC	10.44	-4.4
GASCO	27.00	-2.9
YSCC	14.48	-2.8
SCC	44.00	-2.4

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Al Rajhi	87.40	-0.6
SABIC	127.40	-0.5
NCB	45.20	-0.9
SAMBA	32.15	0.8
STC	85.60	-0.5

Major Economic News

- Saudi Arabia's Capital Market Authority (CMA) approved the price stabilization mechanism draft for initial public offerings (IPOs). The new mechanism is targeted at regulating the price stabilization events for the shares of newly listed companies on the Saudi Stock Exchange after IPO. (Source: Argaam)
- According to Fintech Saudi, 13 financial services technology (fintech) startups are operating in KSA, while several others are waiting for regulatory approvals ahead of their debut. It added the Kingdom's encouraging market size and substantial purchasing power are attractive to international firms in the fintech sector. (Source: Argaam)
- To create a new state-owned firm for agricultural services after this Eid Al Adha, KSA's Ministry of Environment, Water, and Agriculture has initiated several procedures. The firm's primary aims include achieving sustainable food security in the Kingdom and addressing challenges faced by the agriculture sector. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- Southern Province Cement Co.'s board of directors recommended a 10.0% cash dividend for 1H2018 at SAR 1.0 per share, totaling SAR 140.0mn. The record date for distribution is September 30, 2018. (Source: Argaam)
- Saudi Marketing Co.'s (Farm Superstores) net profit tumbled 99.4% YoY to SAR 264.0K for 1H2018. The fall in profit is ascribed to lower revenue and higher discounts because of current market conditions. (Source: Argaam)

Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange decreased 0.4% to 8,210.3 on Wednesday. The value traded stood at SAR 4.5bn (down 4.4% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 61/106. The parallel market index decreased 0.4% to 2,805.9 points. The value traded stood at SAR 1.8mn (up 83.9% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the red. Retailing and Insurance (up 1.8% and 1.2% respectively) advanced the most; Energy and Commercial Service (down 3.7% and 0.8%, respectively) led the laggards.

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change %	MTD %	YTD %
Dubai (DFM)	2,949	-0.1	-0.2	-12.5
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	4,926	0.3	1.4	12.0
Kuwait (KSE)	4,962	0.1	0.6	**NA
Qatar (QE)	9,962	-0.1	1.4	16.9
Oman (MSM)	4,436	-0.3	2.3	-13.0
Bahrain (BSE)	1,346	-0.2	-0.9	1.1
Egypt (EGX30)	15,863	0.6	1.8	5.6

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change %	MTD %	YTD %
Dow Jones	25,584	-0.2	0.7	3.5
Nasdaq	7,470	0.1	3.3	16.8
S&P 500	2,858	0.0	1.5	6.9
FTSE 100	7,777	0.8	0.4	1.2
Germany DAX 30	12,634	-0.1	-1.3	-2.2
France CAC 40	5,502	-0.4	-0.2	3.6
Japan Nikkei 225	22,644	-0.1	1.5	-0.5
Hong Kong Hang Seng	28,359	0.4	-0.8	-5.2
China Shanghai Composite	2,744	-1.3	-4.6	-17.0
Australia ASX 200	6,269	0.2	-0.2	3.4
India Sensex	37,888	0.6	0.7	11.2

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change %	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	74.9	0.4	-3.4	15.1
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	72.3	-3.2	-2.7	8.1
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	66.9	-3.3	-4.2	10.7
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	2.95	1.8	6.0	-0.1
Gold (\$/oz)	1,213	0.2	-0.8	-6.9
Silver (\$/oz)	15.4	0.4	-0.8	-9.2
Steel (\$/ton)	895	0.3	-1.6	35.2
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	503	0.0	15.4	3.0
Wheat (\$/bu)	570	0.3	2.9	33.5
Corn (\$/bu)	371	0.1	-0.3	5.8
Sugar (\$/lb)	10.8	-0.6	2.5	-28.7
SMP* (EUR/MT)	1,563	0.0	6.3	12.1

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change (bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
USD LIBOR	2.341	0.0	-0.7	64.7
Saudi Arabia (SAIBOR)	2.608	0.0	-0.1	71.1
UAE (EIBOR)	2.550	-2.0	-6.9	75.5
Kuwait (KIBOR)	2.000	0.0	-6.3	12.5
Qatar (QIBOR)	2.656	2.2	1.2	0.8
Bahrain (BHIBOR)	3.525	0.0	2.5	80.0

* Three-month Interbank rate **NA: Not Available

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

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Regional and International Markets

- Among other regional markets, Dubai decreased 0.1%, while Abu Dhabi increased 0.3%. Kuwait and Egypt increased 0.1% and 0.6%, respectively; while Qatar, Oman and Bahrain decreased 0.1%, 0.3% and 0.2%, respectively.
- According to the Energy Information Administration (EIA), oil inventories in the US fell 1.4mn barrels (prior: up 3.8mn) to 407.4mn in the week ended August 3. Distillate inventories rose 1.2mn barrels (prior: up 3.0mn) to 125.4mn, while gasoline inventories increased 2.9mn barrels (prior: down 2.5mn) to 233.9mn. (Source: Econoday)
- The US MBA Mortgage Composite Index fell 3.0% WoW in the week ended August 3 compared with 2.6% earlier. The Purchase Index declined 2.0% WoW against 3.0% earlier and the Refinance Index decreased 5.0% WoW compared with 2.0% earlier. (Source: Econoday)
- Oil prices fell 3.2% on Wednesday due to the increasing trade dispute between the US and China, weak Chinese import data, and a lower-than-expected decline in American crude stockpiles.
- Gold prices managed to rise just by 0.2% on Wednesday, as a Federal Reserve policymaker restated the need for rate increases and a robust dollar weakened demand for the yellow metal.

Forex / Currency

Currency	Close	Daily Change %	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	95.1	-0.2	0.6	3.2
Euro	1.16	0.1	-0.7	-3.2
Japanese Yen	111.0	-0.4	-0.8	-1.5
Sterling Pound	1.29	-0.4	-1.9	-4.7
Chinese Yuan	6.83	0.1	0.4	5.0
Indian Rupee	68.7	0.0	0.3	7.6
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.64	0.0	0.0	0.0
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.30	-0.1	0.1	0.5
Omani Rial	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.1
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.1	-0.1	0.1
Egyptian Pound	17.85	0.1	0.2	0.7

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
09 th Aug	Alujain	OGM
12 th Aug	GASCO	Cash Dividend Distribution
12 th Aug	SPM	EGM
12 th Aug	NCB	Cash Dividend Distribution
13 th Aug	Arriyadh Development	Cash Dividend Distribution
15 th Aug	Sipchem	Cash Dividend Distribution

*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

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