



Major Economic News

- Saudi bank loans granted to the public and private sectors increased 13% Y/Y by the end of June 2020 to SAR 1.7tn. Private sector lending also rose 13% Y/Y to SAR 1.7tn in June. (Source: Argaam)
- Saudi Arabia's inflation is expected to accelerate in Q3-20, compared to the year-earlier period, as per SAMA's inflation report for Q2-20. Inflation rates in Q3-20 will be mainly impacted by VAT hike from 5% to 15% and summer holiday, including Eid Al-Adha. (Source: Argaam)
- Prices of construction materials in Saudi Arabia rose in H1-20, led by cement and ready-mix concrete, which increased by over 2% Y/Y. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- Saudi Arabian Oil Co. raised its August 2020 contract prices for propane to USD 365 per ton, a rise of USD 5 per ton, compared to July 2020 prices. The company also raised August contract prices for butane by USD 5 per ton M/M to USD 345 per ton. (Source: Argaam)
- Hospital operator NMC Health secured financing facilities worth USD 250mn, according to its administrators Alvarez & Marsal. The loan will allow the hospital operator to continue to provide healthcare and is conditional on a planned second-phase of restructuring. (Source: Argaam)
- Amaala giga project will soon name a number of partners and is in the process of introducing a new brand name for the project's hotels and resorts, as per CEO, Nicholas Naples. (Source: Argaam)

Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange remained flat at 7,459.2 on July 28, 2020. The value traded stood at SAR 4.5bn (up 1.2% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 72/117. The parallel market index increased 0.1% to 8,095.8 points. The value traded stood at SAR 11.5mn (up 65.4% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the green. Healthcare and Commercial Service (up 2.3% and 1.8%, respectively) advanced the most; Diversified Financials and Food & Beverages (down 1.4% and 0.9%, respectively) led the laggards.

Earnings update (Net Profit) (SAR mn)

Company	Q2-20	Q2-19	Y/Y %	Q1-20	Q/Q %
Alinma	572	676	(15.4%)	370	54.6%
Saudi electricity	(869)	789	-	(2,441)	64.4%
Sgs	(197.87)	132.86	-	(51.54)	(283.9%)
Eastern cemente	30	32	(6.3%)	85	(64.7%)
Walaa	28.35	(15.83)	-	(11.72)	-
HB	25.9	(3.7)	-	30.4	(14.8%)

Source: Tadawul, AJC

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
MOUWASAT	109.00	5.2
WATANIYA	32.75	4.5
ANAAM HOLDING	180.20	4.4
ALHAMMADI	25.90	3.2
SGS	29.20	3.2

Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
TAPRCO	23.30	-3.9
AICC	13.40	-3.6
RAYDAN	19.88	-3.1
SAIC	13.52	-2.9
ZAMIL IND.	16.26	-2.5

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
TASI	7,459	7,459	7,438	0.0	(11.1)	22.3
NomuC	8,096	8,123	7,970	0.1	12.8	High

TASI movement during session



Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,035	0.1	(7.5)	21.5
Materials	4,681	0.3	(9.4)	High
Capital Goods	4,123	(0.8)	(4.8)	Neg
Commercial Service	3,954	1.8	(17.1)	16.6
Transportation	3,940	1.0	(10.3)	23.7
Consumer Durables	3,663	0.4	4.5	Neg
Consumer Services	3,549	0.5	(10.4)	11.2
Media	7,256	(0.8)	(22.8)	25.3
Retailing	6,945	0.4	(9.8)	42.6
Food & Staples	9,556	(0.8)	44.4	40.4
Food & Beverages	5,326	(0.9)	22.3	37.8
Healthcare	4,608	2.3	23.5	32.1
Pharma & Bio Tech	4,136	0.6	15.0	Neg
Banks	6,476	(0.1)	(20.1)	12.2
Diversified Financials	3,283	(1.4)	(0.6)	High
Insurance	5,068	0.2	12.3	35.5
Telecom	6,363	0.1	(1.7)	19.5
Utilities	3,471	(0.1)	(21.1)	High
REITs	3,807	0.5	(9.3)	23.9
Real Estate	2,666	(0.4)	(14.9)	Neg
Software & Services	8,421	0.1	70.7	15.9

**Neg: Negative

Average Index Value

Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
7,432	7,419	7,391	5.79

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	13.9	611.5	709.4
Previous week	31.6	1,574.4	1,532.5

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Al Rajhi	58.90	-0.2
Saudi Aramco	33.00	0.2
NCB	36.30	0.8
SABIC	88.90	0.5
STC	97.20	0.1



Regional and International Markets

- Among other regional markets, Dubai increased 0.2%, while Abu Dhabi decreased 0.1%. Bahrain, Kuwait and Qatar rose 0.6%, 0.4% and 0.2%, respectively; while Egypt declined 0.1%. Meanwhile, Oman remained flat.
- Senior US and Chinese officials will review the execution of their phase one trade deal during a video conference on August 15. Both countries will discuss their grievances amid an increasingly tense relationship. (Source: CNBC)
- US factory orders increased by 6.2% in June (consensus: 5.2% increase) compared to a revised rise of 7.7% in May. The growth in factory orders was driven by durable goods, up 7.6% in June after soaring by 15.0% in May. (Source: Econoday, RTT News)
- China's Caixin services PMI decreased 54.1 in July from a 10-year high of 58.4 in June. The latest data showed a mild capacity pressures, as backlogs of work rose for a second consecutive month. (Source: RTT News)
- Oil prices increased 0.6% on Tuesday driven by weak US dollar and expectation of decline in US oil inventories last week.
- Gold prices rose 2.1%, as investors resorted to the safe haven metal amid worries of consequences of COVID-19 on the global economy.

Forex / Currency

Currency	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	93.4	-0.2	0.0	-3.1
Euro	1.18	0.3	0.2	5.3
Japanese Yen	105.7	-0.2	-0.2	-2.7
Sterling Pound	1.31	-0.1	-0.2	-1.5
Chinese Yuan	6.97	-0.1	0.0	0.1
Indian Rupee	75.1	-0.2	0.2	5.2
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.65	0.2	0.1	0.3
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.31	0.1	0.1	1.0
Omani Rial	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.1	0.1
Egyptian Pound	15.94	0.1	0.1	-0.4

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
06 th Aug	MULKIA REIT	Cash Dividend Distribution
10 th Aug	DERAYAH REIT	Cash Dividend Distribution
10 th Aug	Atheeb Telecom	EGM
12 th Aug	JAZADCO	EGM
12 th Aug	ALHOKAIR	OGM
17 th Aug	GACO	OGM

*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	2,065	0.2	0.0	-25.3	7.1
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	4,324	-0.1	0.9	-14.8	12.0
Kuwait (KSE)	4,089	0.4	-2.4	-16.7	10.5
Qatar (QE)	9,372	0.2	4.1	-10.1	14.4
Oman (MSM)	3,558	0.0	1.2	-10.6	8.5
Bahrain (BSE)	1,289	0.6	0.9	-19.9	9.1
Egypt (EGX30)	10,569	-0.1	-1.8	-24.3	7.9

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	26,828	0.6	1.5	-6.0	22.1
Nasdaq	10,941	0.4	1.8	21.9	33.0
S&P 500	3,307	0.4	1.1	2.3	24.5
FTSE 100	6,036	0.1	2.3	-20.0	17.3
Germany DAX 30	12,601	-0.4	2.3	-4.9	21.1
France CAC 40	4,890	0.3	2.2	-18.2	20.8
Japan Nikkei 225	22,574	1.7	4.0	-4.6	21.3
Hong Kong Hang Seng	24,947	2.0	1.4	-11.5	10.4
China Shanghai Composite	3,372	0.1	1.9	10.5	13.7
Australia ASX 200	6,038	1.9	1.9	-9.7	17.0
India Sensex	37,688	2.0	0.2	-8.6	22.1

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	44.0	0.3	3.1	-36.1
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	44.4	0.6	2.6	-32.7
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	41.7	1.7	3.6	-31.8
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	2.19	4.4	21.9	0.2
Gold (\$/oz)	2,018	2.1	2.2	33.0
Silver (\$/oz)	26.0	7.2	6.7	45.8
Steel (\$/ton)	474	-1.9	-1.7	-19.4
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	901	0.9	2.5	29.6
Wheat (\$/bu)	508	-2.4	-4.3	-9.0
Corn (\$/bu)	308	-2.9	-2.5	-20.5
Sugar (\$/lb)	12.8	0.5	1.1	-4.8
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,037	-1.5	0.6	-20.7

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
USD LIBOR	0.249	0.0	0.0	-165.9
Saudi Arabia(SAIBOR)	0.931	0.0	-5.4	-130.0
UAE (EIBOR)	0.566	-0.2	-15.5	-164.2
Qatar (QIBOR)	1.129	4.2	-2.9	-112.1
Bahrain (BHIBOR)	2.300	0.0	5.0	-36.7

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

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

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