



Major Economic News

- OPEC expects global oil demand to decrease by 9.1mn bpd in 2020, lower by around 0.1mn bpd from last month's estimates. The oil demand growth is forecast to rise by 7mn bpd in 2021, unchanged from last month, with total world consumption now pegged at 97.6mn bpd next year. (Source: Argaam)
- The point-of-sale transactions dropped 26% to around SAR 6bn in the week ending August 8, from SAR 8.2bn in the previous week. POS transactions increased in the previous week due to higher purchases on Eid Al Adha. (Source: Argaam)
- Saudi Arabia approved the revised regulations for the municipal real estate transactions. The updated regulations expanded contractual terms to 50 years to attract capital investments to major projects. The term exempt from rents during construction works is adjusted to a maximum of 10% of the project term. (Source: Argaam)
- Saudi securities remained unchanged on the MSCI Saudi Arabia Standard and MSCI Saudi Arabia Small Cap Indexes, compared to its semi-annual index review last May. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- Al Moammar Information Systems Co. signed a previously-awarded SAR 50mn worth contract with a corporate body. The corporate body is expected to sign and finalize the contract on September 10, 2020. (Source: Argaam)

Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange increased 0.3% to 7,645.6. The value traded stood at SAR 6.8bn (down 11.5% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 87/97. The parallel market index decreased 2.9% to 7,956.4 points. The value traded stood at SAR 6.4mn (down 52.8% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the red. Media and Retailing (up 1.6% and 1.2%, respectively) advanced the most; Pharma & Bio Tech and Healthcare (down 2.5% and 1.1%, respectively) led the laggards.

Earnings update (Net Profit) (SAR mn)

Company	Q2-20	Q2-19	Y/Y %	Q1-20	Q/Q %
Saudi Airlines Catering	-143.8	117.1	NM	15.6	NM
Al Jouf Cement	7.3	0.1	NM	15.2	-52.4
Northern Region Cement	14.0	14.1	-0.2	27.6	-49.2
Aseer	-3.2	18.6	NM	0.2	NM
Abo Moati	0.7	1.0	-27.3	3.8	-80.8
Saudi Printing and Pack.	1.5	-13.7	NM	-14.9	NM

Source: Tadawul, AJC

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
ZOUJAJ	24.34	9.9
SHARQIYAH DEV	79.10	5.5
TADCO	22.24	4.9
ALINMA TOKIO M	14.50	3.9
ALBABTAIN	25.65	3.8

Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
MOUWASAT	108.20	-3.2
LAZURDE	14.82	-3.1
WATANIYA	33.10	-2.7
SPIMACO	31.60	-2.5
RJHI REIT	9.03	-2.4

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
TASI	7,646	7,647	7,602	0.3	(8.9)	27.8
NomuC	7,956	8,198	7,765	(2.9)	10.8	High

TASI movement during session



Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,077	(0.4)	(6.7)	21.6
Materials	4,801	0.0	(7.1)	High
Capital Goods	4,326	0.9	(0.1)	Neg
Commercial Service	4,051	(0.4)	(15.1)	17.0
Transportation	4,046	(0.3)	(8.0)	24.3
Consumer Durables	3,827	(0.8)	9.1	Neg
Consumer Services	3,675	0.8	(7.2)	11.7
Media	7,409	1.6	(21.2)	25.8
Retailing	7,514	1.2	(2.4)	46.1
Food & Staples	9,634	(0.6)	45.6	40.7
Food & Beverages	5,440	0.6	25.0	38.4
Healthcare	4,663	(1.1)	25.0	32.4
Pharma & Bio Tech	4,169	(2.5)	16.0	Neg
Banks	6,690	0.8	(17.5)	12.6
Diversified Financials	3,367	0.3	2.0	High
Insurance	5,258	(0.3)	16.5	36.8
Telecom	6,333	0.0	(2.2)	19.4
Utilities	3,435	(0.1)	(21.9)	High
REITs	3,886	0.2	(7.4)	24.4
Real Estate	2,761	(0.3)	(11.9)	Neg
Software & Services	8,755	(0.7)	77.5	16.5

**Neg: Negative

Average Index Value

Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
7,568	7,508	7,461	5.79

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	25.9	1,278.9	1,163.4
Previous week	10.9	471.3	512.8

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Al Rajhi	62.50	1.0
Saudi Aramco	33.15	-0.5
NCB	37.00	0.3
SABIC	88.20	0.3
STC	96.70	0.2



Regional and International Markets

- Among other regional markets, Dubai increased 0.9%, while Abu Dhabi decreased 0.2%. Bahrain, Qatar and Kuwait rose 0.5%, 0.3% and 0.2%, respectively; while Oman declined 0.2%. Meanwhile, Egypt remained flat.
- According to EIA, oil inventories in the US declined 4.5mn barrels (prior: down 7.4mn) to 514.1mn in the week ended August 07. Distillate inventories decreased 2.3mn barrels (prior: up 1.6mn) to 177.7mn, while gasoline inventories fell 0.7mn barrels (prior: up 0.4mn) to 247.1mn. (Source: EIA, Econoday)
- US CPI increased by 0.6% Y/Y in July (consensus: 0.3% rise), same as in June. (Source: Econoday, RTT News)
- UK's GDP contracted by 20.4% Q/Q in Q2-20, the biggest contraction since 1955, versus a decline of 2.2% Q/Q in Q1-20. (Source: Econoday, RTT News)
- Eurozone industrial output declined 12.3% Y/Y in June (consensus: 11.5% decrease), compared to a fall of 20.4% in May. (Source: Econoday, RTT News)
- Oil prices jumped 2.1% driven by larger-than-expected drawdown in US oil inventories.
- Gold prices rose 0.3%, as the demand for safe haven metal increased amid global recession fear post the release of UK GDP data.

Forex / Currency

Currency	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	93.4	-0.2	0.1	-3.1
Euro	1.18	0.4	0.1	5.1
Japanese Yen	106.9	0.4	1.0	-1.6
Sterling Pound	1.30	-0.1	-0.4	-1.7
Chinese Yuan	6.94	-0.1	-0.5	-0.4
Indian Rupee	74.8	0.2	-0.2	4.8
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.64	0.0	-0.2	0.0
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.31	0.3	0.2	1.0
Omani Rial	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Egyptian Pound	15.92	-0.1	0.0	-0.5

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
17 th Aug	GACO	OGM
18 th Aug	ALUJAIN	OGM
19 th Aug	Arab Sea	EGM
19 th Aug	TADCO	EGM
20 th Aug	Taiba	Cash Dividend Distribution
20 th Aug	AICC	OGM

*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	2,115	0.9	3.1	-23.5	7.4
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	4,360	-0.2	1.3	-14.1	12.2
Kuwait (KSE)	4,103	0.2	0.4	-16.5	10.7
Qatar (QE)	9,553	0.3	2.0	-8.4	14.7
Oman (MSM)	3,567	-0.2	0.0	-10.4	8.5
Bahrain (BSE)	1,315	0.5	1.9	-18.4	9.1
Egypt (EGX30)	10,922	0.0	3.0	-21.8	7.9

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	27,977	1.0	5.9	-2.0	22.8
Nasdaq	11,012	2.1	2.5	22.7	33.4
S&P 500	3,380	1.4	3.3	4.6	24.8
FTSE 100	6,280	2.0	6.5	-16.7	18.3
Germany DAX 30	13,059	0.9	6.1	-1.4	23.3
France CAC 40	5,073	0.9	6.1	-15.1	44.9
Japan Nikkei 225	22,844	0.4	5.2	-3.4	22.7
Hong Kong Hang Seng	25,244	1.4	2.6	-10.4	10.6
China Shanghai Composite	3,319	-0.6	0.3	8.8	13.5
Australia ASX 200	6,132	-0.1	3.4	-8.3	17.9
India Sensex	38,370	-0.1	2.0	-7.0	22.2

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	45.5	-0.2	6.6	-33.9
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	45.4	2.1	4.9	-31.2
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	42.7	2.5	6.0	-30.2
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	2.15	-0.9	19.6	-1.7
Gold (\$/oz)	1,918	0.3	-2.9	26.4
Silver (\$/oz)	25.6	3.1	4.9	43.4
Steel (\$/ton)	453	-2.6	-6.0	-23.0
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	864	0.1	-1.8	24.2
Wheat (\$/bu)	491	-0.8	-7.5	-12.1
Corn (\$/bu)	315	1.0	-0.5	-18.9
Sugar (\$/lb)	12.8	0.8	1.6	-4.3
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,055	1.0	1.5	-20.0

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
USD LIBOR	0.254	-0.3	0.5	-165.5
Saudi Arabia(SAIBOR)	0.920	0.0	-1.1	-131.1
UAE (EIBOR)	0.478	-5.0	-3.8	-173.1
Qatar (QIBOR)	1.150	0.0	0.7	-110.0
Bahrain (BHIBOR)	2.283	0.0	-1.7	-38.3

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

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

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