



Major Economic News

- Saudi Arabia decided to temporarily halt international flights, except in emergency cases, for a renewable week over an infectious new strain of the novel coronavirus. Moreover, the Kingdom suspended entry to its land, and seaports for a renewable week. (Source: Argaam)
- SAMA raised the issue size of its weekly bill offering from SAR 3bn to SAR 10bn, as of December 20, 2020. The move is aimed at enhancing the banks' efficiency in managing liquidity. (Source: Argaam)
- Saudi Arabia's non-oil exports fell 4% Y/Y to SAR 53.4bn in Q3-20. Non-oil exports accounted for 33% of the Kingdom's total exports during the quarter, amounting to SAR 161.8bn. When compared to the previous quarter, non-oil exports saw a rise of SAR 11.1bn or ~26%. (Source: Argaam)
- CITC signed three MoUs with global telecommunication firms - Ericsson, Nokia and Huawei. The three global firms will provide support and strengthen the digital transformation drive and nationalization of technologies in accordance with leading global practices. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- The Mediterranean and Gulf Insurance and Reinsurance Co. applied for the approval of the CMA on the capital decrease. The insurer obtained, on December 09, SAMA's approval for its planned SAR 100mn capital cut. (Source: Argaam)
- Ayyan Investment Co.'s board of directors started talks to acquire stakes held by non-controlling shareholders in 69.9%-owned subsidiary Al Ahsa Medical Services Co. (Source: Argaam)
- Saudi Arabian Amiantit Co. announced the results of rights issue trading, noting that more than 10.6mn shares were subscribed, valued at SAR 106.2mn, from the offer of 12mn new shares. (Source: Argaam)

Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange decreased 0.3% to 8,686.9 on Sunday. The value traded stood at
- SAR 11.3bn (down 17.2% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 50/142. The parallel market index increased 1.7% to 21,000.0 points. The value traded stood at SAR 29.5mn (down 23.1% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the red. Consumer Durables and Insurance (up 1.7% and 1.3%, respectively) advanced the most; Media and Software & Services (down 2.7% and 2.5%, respectively) led the laggards.

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
BAAZEEM	89.10	10.0
MALATH INSURANCE	20.36	9.9
ALALAMIYA	26.00	8.2
ALASEEL	70.50	5.7
SAICO	19.90	4.6

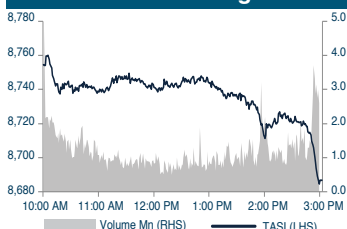
Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
WAFRAH	169.00	-7.7
ANAAM	97.00	-7.4
SVCP	97.90	-6.8
EIC	26.20	-5.1
ADVANCED	65.50	-4.9

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	8,687	8,762	8,684	(0.3)	3.5
NomuC	21,000	21,000	20,435	1.7	192.5

TASI movement during session



TASI P/E Ratios

P/E (Tadawul)	29.3
P/E (Bloomberg)	34.9
P/E*	43.7
P/E after exclusions*	41.9
P/E ex. loss-making comp.*	18.8
P/E: top 50 MCAP*	29.7

*Source: Argaam (Excluding Aramco)

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,424	(0.1)	(0.3)	33.5
Materials	5,730	(0.8)	10.9	High
Capital Goods	6,514	(1.8)	50.3	High
Commercial Service	4,111	(0.4)	(13.9)	High
Transportation	4,791	(1.9)	9.0	Neg
Consumer Durables	5,704	1.7	62.7	Neg
Consumer Services	4,296	(0.8)	8.5	29.5
Media	10,096	(2.7)	7.4	38.4
Retailing	8,631	(0.5)	12.1	Neg
Food & Staples	10,379	(0.2)	56.9	33.6
Food & Beverages	5,495	(0.8)	26.2	30.3
Healthcare	5,561	(0.8)	49.1	33.3
Pharma & Bio Tech	5,343	(2.1)	48.6	Neg
Banks	7,555	0.1	(6.8)	17.7
Diversified Financials	4,656	(2.4)	41.0	Neg
Insurance	5,931	1.3	31.4	24.5
Telecom	6,981	0.6	7.9	21.7
Utilities	4,536	0.7	3.1	Neg
REITs	4,297	(0.6)	2.4	Neg
Real Estate	3,075	(1.6)	(1.8)	Neg
Software & Services	13,039	(2.5)	164.3	22.4

**Neg: Negative

Average Index Value

Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
8,688	8,663	8,670	11.84

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	11.3	365.9	464.3
Previous week	58.6	1,782.1	2,215.2

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Al Rajhi	73.80	-0.3
Saudi Aramco	35.20	0.0
NCB	42.60	1.2
SABIC	101.80	0.8
STC	107.20	0.8



Regional and International Markets

- Among other regional markets, Dubai increased 0.4%, while Abu Dhabi decreased 0.4%. Qatar, Egypt, Bahrain and Kuwait rose 1.0%, 0.4%, 0.3% and 0.1%, respectively. Meanwhile, Oman remained flat.
- A new variant of the coronavirus has been identified in the UK that "can spread more quickly" than prior strains of the virus. Subsequently, Prime Minister Boris Johnson imposed fresh restrictions on parts of the nation to control the spread of the virus. (Source: CNBC)
- US initial jobless claims rose to 885,000 (consensus: 800,000), representing an increase of 23,000 from the previous week's revised level of 862,000. (Source: RTT News)
- UK retail sales volume fell 3.8% M/M in November (consensus: a decline of 4.2%), first decline in seven months, as against a rise 1.3% in October. Food store sales grew 3.1%, while non-food store sales decreased 8.0%. Clothing retailers reported the sharpest decline of 19%. (Source: RTT News)
- Eurozone consumer prices decreased 0.3% Y/Y in November (in line with preliminary estimate), same rate of fall as seen in October. On a monthly basis, prices declined 0.3% in November (in line with preliminary estimate). (Source: RTT News)

Forex / Currency

Currency	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	90.0	0.0	-2.0	-6.6
Euro	1.23	0.0	2.7	9.3
Japanese Yen	103.3	0.0	-0.9	-4.9
Sterling Pound	1.35	0.0	1.5	2.0
Chinese Yuan	6.53	0.0	-0.6	-6.1
Indian Rupee	73.6	0.0	-0.6	3.1
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.67	0.7	-0.3	0.7
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.30	0.1	-0.4	0.3
Omani Rial	0.38	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Egyptian Pound	15.66	0.0	0.3	-2.1

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
21st Dec	ALKHALEEL TRNG	OGM
22nd Dec	LAZURDE	EGM
23rd Dec	MESC	OGM
24th Dec	SPCC	OGM
27th Dec	SAUDI ELECTRICITY	OGM
28th Dec	Salama	OGM

*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	2,559	0.4	5.8	-7.4	12.3
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	5,114	-0.4	3.0	0.7	15.0
Kuwait (KSE)	4,595	0.1	5.1	-6.4	17.5
Qatar (QE)	10,587	1.0	3.2	1.5	17.0
Oman (MSM)	3,611	0.0	-0.9	-9.3	9.1
Bahrain (BSE)	1,498	0.3	1.4	-7.0	9.1
Egypt (EGX30)	10,890	0.4	-0.5	-22.0	8.1

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	30,179	0.0	1.8	5.7	23.4
Nasdaq	12,756	0.0	4.6	42.2	36.2
S&P 500	3,709	0.0	2.4	14.8	28.7
FTSE 100	6,529	0.0	4.2	-13.4	17.4
Germany DAX 30	13,631	0.0	2.6	2.9	24.3
France CAC 40	5,528	0.0	0.2	-7.5	57.1
Japan Nikkei 225	26,763	0.0	1.2	13.1	26.8
Russia MICEX	3,274	0.0	5.3	7.5	14.5
Hong Kong Hang Seng	26,499	0.0	0.6	-6.0	14.4
South Korea KOSPI	2,772	0.0	7.0	26.1	31.7
China Shanghai Composite	3,395	0.0	0.1	11.3	14.2
Australia ASX 200	6,676	0.0	2.4	-0.1	22.5
India Sensex	46,961	0.0	6.4	13.8	29.4
MSCI EM	1,268	0.0	5.3	13.8	25.0
MSCI World	2,666	0.0	3.2	13.1	33.0

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	50.3	0.0	8.0	-26.9
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	52.3	0.0	9.8	-20.8
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	49.1	0.0	8.3	-19.7
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	2.70	0.0	-6.3	23.3
Gold (\$/oz)	1,881	0.0	5.9	24.0
Silver (\$/oz)	25.8	0.0	14.0	44.5
Steel (\$/ton)	870	0.0	8.7	48.0
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	1,094	0.0	17.0	57.3
Wheat (\$/bu)	608	0.0	4.8	8.9
Corn (\$/bu)	438	0.0	4.2	12.8
Sugar (\$/lb)	14.4	0.0	-0.5	7.6
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,235	0.0	2.3	-13.0

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
USD LIBOR	0.239	0.0	1.1	-167.0
Saudi Arabia(SAIBOR)	0.819	-0.1	-1.3	-141.3
UAE (EIBOR)	0.438	0.5	10.6	-177.1
Qatar (QIBOR)	1.100	-16.7	-12.1	-115.0
Bahrain (BHIBOR)	2.250	0.0	0.0	-41.7

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

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

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