



## Major Economic News

- Saudi Arabia posted a trade surplus of SAR 16.4bn in October. Total exports declined 25% Y/Y in October to SAR 57.8bn, while imports fell 17% Y/Y to SAR 41.4bn during the same period. (Source: Argaam)
- Assets held by SAMA saw an increase of SAR 37.4bn M/M to SAR 1.9tn in November. When compared to the same month last year, assets decreased by SAR 61bn. (Source: Argaam)
- The Saudi Council of Cooperative Health Insurance's board of directors approved a plan to support mergers and acquisitions among the small and medium-sized healthcare services providers. (Source: Argaam)

## Major Corporate News

- STC announced that it will inject up to USD 500mn worth of investments into cloud services in the Kingdom over the coming five years, in cooperation with venture capital fund eWTP Arabia and Alibaba Cloud. (Source: Argaam)
- Advanced Petrochemical Co.'s wholly owned subsidiary, Advanced Global Investment Co., signed long-term off-take agreements for the sale of polypropylene with three international firms for nearly 620,000 metric ton per annum. (Source: Argaam)
- Ibn Roshd Educational Holding Co. appointed Alkhair Capital as financial advisor, lead manager and underwriter for its planned IPO on the Saudi Stock Exchange. The IPO is pending the regulatory approval from CMA. (Source: Argaam)
- Aljazeera Takaful Taawuni Co. issued a circular, offer document and timetable of its capital hike to complete the merger with Solidarity Saudi Takaful Co. (Source: Argaam)
- Naseej International Trading Co. submitted its file to increase capital by offering SAR 150mn rights issue for approval to CMA. Al Wasatah Al Maliah Company has been appointed as the financial advisor for the offering. (Source: Argaam)

## Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange decreased 0.3% to 8,715.4. The value traded stood at SAR 8.5bn (down 13.4% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 61/126. The parallel market index increased 12.1% to 24,349.2 points. The value traded stood at SAR 27.3mn (down 10.7% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the red. Software & Services and Consumer Services (up 3.5% and 1.3%, respectively) advanced the most; Telecom and Pharma & Bio Tech (down 0.8% each) led the laggards.

## Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
NCLE	50.60	10.0
HB	88.90	9.9
ATAA	41.00	7.3
EXTRA	88.00	5.3
AYYAN	18.20	5.0

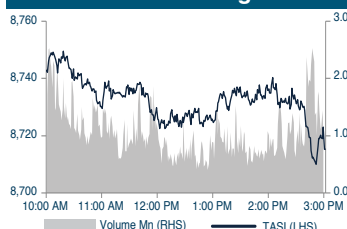
## Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
AMIAITIT	23.60	-3.3
SABB TAK.	31.15	-2.7
ZOUJAJ	28.05	-2.4
WALAA	22.20	-2.4
ABO MOATI	53.90	-2.4

## Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	8,715	8,751	8,710	(0.3)	3.9
NomuC	24,349	24,418	21,706	12.1	239.2

## TASI movement during session



## TASI P/E Ratios

P/E (Tadawul)	29.3
P/E (Bloomberg)	35.0
P/E*	43.6
P/E after exclusions*	41.9
P/E ex. loss-making comp.*	18.8
P/E: top 50 MCAP*	29.8

\*Source: Argaam (Excluding Aramco)

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,401	0.0	(0.8)	33.4
Materials	5,787	(0.4)	12.0	High
Capital Goods	6,419	0.0	48.2	High
Commercial Service	4,011	(0.2)	(15.9)	High
Transportation	4,839	(0.3)	10.1	Neg
Consumer Durables	5,889	(0.4)	68.0	Neg
Consumer Services	4,262	1.3	7.7	29.6
Media	10,121	(0.4)	7.7	38.5
Retailing	8,594	0.1	11.6	Neg
Food & Staples	10,619	(0.3)	60.5	33.9
Food & Beverages	5,486	(0.1)	26.0	30.4
Healthcare	5,609	0.8	50.4	33.2
Pharma & Bio Tech	5,218	(0.8)	45.1	Neg
Banks	7,614	(0.5)	(6.1)	17.9
Diversified Financials	4,651	0.6	40.8	Neg
Insurance	5,976	(0.4)	32.4	24.6
Telecom	6,893	(0.8)	6.5	21.4
Utilities	4,559	0.5	3.6	Neg
REITs	4,299	0.1	2.4	Neg
Real Estate	3,049	(0.4)	(2.7)	Neg
Software & Services	13,683	3.5	177.4	23.7

\*\*Neg: Negative

## Average Index Value

Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
8,712	8,688	8,670	11.50

## Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	18.3	723.4	737.7
Previous week	57.1	1,930.0	2,310.4

## Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Al Rajhi	74.20	-0.7
Saudi Aramco	35.10	0.1
NCB	43.25	0.0
SABIC	101.20	-0.8
STC	105.00	-0.9



## Regional and International Markets

- Among other regional markets, Dubai remained flat, while Abu Dhabi increased 0.2%. Kuwait and Egypt rose 0.7% each, while Oman gained 0.3%. Bahrain declined 0.3%. Meanwhile, Qatar remained flat.
- US House of Representatives approved the bill to increase the second round of federal direct payments. The measure would boost the stimulus checks in the year-end coronavirus relief and government funding package to USD 2,000 from USD 600. The approval came a day after President Trump signed the more than USD 2tn pandemic aid and full-year government spending bill into law. (Source: CNBC)
- China's industrial profits grew 15.5% Y/Y in November compared to a 28.2% increase in October. The growth moderated from the previous month largely due to a higher base. (Source: RTT News)
- Oil prices fell 0.8% due to continued demand concerns amid spread of new strain of coronavirus.
- Gold prices decreased 0.5%, as investors booked profit after US President Trump signed the fiscal relief bill.

## Forex / Currency

Currency	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	90.3	0.0	-1.7	-6.3
Euro	1.22	0.1	2.4	9.0
Japanese Yen	103.8	0.3	-0.5	-4.4
Sterling Pound	1.34	-0.7	1.0	1.4
Chinese Yuan	6.53	-0.1	-0.6	-6.1
Indian Rupee	73.5	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	0.31	0.0	0.0	0.7
Omani Rial	0.38	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Egyptian Pound	15.67	0.2	0.4	-2.1

## Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
29 <sup>th</sup> Dec	YANSAB	EGM
30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	SFICO	OGM
30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	BJAZ	EGM
30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	GACO	EGM
06 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Sipchem	Cash Dividend Distribution
07 <sup>th</sup> Jan	SEERA	OGM

\*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

\*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

## Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	2,515	0.0	3.9	-9.1	12.1
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	5,106	0.2	2.8	0.6	15.0
Kuwait (KSE)	4,567	0.7	4.4	-7.0	17.1
Qatar (QE)	10,559	0.0	2.9	1.3	16.9
Oman (MSM)	3,625	0.3	-0.5	-9.0	9.1
Bahrain (BSE)	1,490	-0.3	0.9	-7.5	9.1
Egypt (EGX30)	10,659	0.7	-2.6	-23.7	8.0

## International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	30,404	0.7	2.6	6.5	23.5
Nasdaq	12,899	0.7	5.7	43.8	36.4
S&P 500	3,735	0.9	3.1	15.6	29.2
FTSE 100	6,502	0.0	3.8	-13.8	17.1
Germany DAX 30	13,790	1.5	3.8	4.1	24.8
France CAC 40	5,588	1.2	1.3	-6.5	57.7
Japan Nikkei 225	26,854	0.7	1.6	13.5	26.9
Russia MICEX	3,259	0.4	4.9	7.0	14.4
Hong Kong Hang Seng	26,315	-0.3	-0.1	-6.7	14.3
South Korea KOSPI	2,809	0.1	8.4	27.8	32.2
China Shanghai Composite	3,397	0.0	0.2	11.4	14.2
Australia ASX 200	6,665	0.0	2.3	-0.3	22.5
India Sensex	47,354	0.8	7.3	14.8	29.7
MSCI EM	1,252	-0.2	3.9	12.4	24.8
MSCI World	2,677	0.7	3.6	13.5	32.9

## Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	50.2	0.0	7.7	-27.1
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	50.9	-0.8	6.9	-22.9
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	47.6	-1.3	5.0	-22.1
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	2.31	-8.5	-20.0	5.3
Gold (\$/oz)	1,874	-0.5	5.4	23.5
Silver (\$/oz)	26.2	1.2	15.7	46.7
Steel (\$/ton)	888	0.3	11.0	51.0
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	1,093	-1.5	16.9	57.3
Wheat (\$/bu)	614	-2.0	5.9	9.9
Corn (\$/bu)	457	1.2	8.8	17.7
Sugar (\$/lb)	15.0	0.5	3.2	11.6
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,227	0.0	1.9	-13.3

\*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

## Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
USD LIBOR	0.240	0.0	1.3	-166.8
Saudi Arabia(SAIBOR)	0.818	0.0	-1.4	-141.4
UAE (EIBOR)	0.435	0.3	10.3	-177.4
Qatar (QIBOR)	1.025	17.5	-19.6	-122.5
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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