



Major Economic News

- OPEC kept its FY21 forecast for global oil demand growth unchanged but warned that uncertainties over the impact of COVID-19 pandemic remain high. The group said that the world oil demand in FY20 declined by 9.8 mbpd Y/Y to average 90 mbpd. Meanwhile, global oil demand in FY21 is expected to increase by 5.9 mbpd to average 95.9 mbpd. (Source: Argaam)
- Saudi Arabia's inflation stood at 5.3% in December compared to 5.8% in November. CPI rise was mainly driven by a surge of 12.7% Y/Y in the average prices of food and beverages, affected by 12.9% rise in food prices, in addition to a hike of 6.9% Y/Y in the average prices of transport, as vehicle prices grew by 9.6%. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- National Company for Learning & Education's board of directors approved offering discounts on the second semester tuition fees of the current academic year 2020-21 for students in all grades. The second semester tuitions' discounts will start from 50% for the KG and grade 1, with the remaining grades offered between 10% and 30%. (Source: Argaam)
- CITC imposed more than SAR 40mn fines on a number of Saudi telecom operators due to committing violations to the telecommunications law. STC was fined SAR 31.4mn, Mobily was handed a fine of SAR 1.2mn, Zain KSA (SAR 996,000), and Lebara Mobile (SAR 366,000). Other operators were fined SAR 6.12mn. (Source: Argaam)
- ROSHN, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Public Investment Fund, signed a strategic partnership with Siemens to set up electricity transmission plants in the first phase of its Riyadh community development. (Source: Argaam)

Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange decreased 0.2% to 8,898.7 on Thursday. The value traded stood at SAR 9.4bn (down 7.4% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 71/118. The parallel market index increased 3.0% to 26,536.4 points. The value traded stood at SAR 56.4mn (down 28.0% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the red. Capital Goods and Consumer Durables (up 0.7% and 0.6%, respectively) advanced the most; Insurance and Food & Beverages (down 0.9% and 0.8%, respectively) led the laggards.

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
BAAZEEM	109.80	6.6
CITY CEMENT	27.85	5.9
SIECO	121.80	5.0
BAWAN	27.00	3.9
BCI	34.85	2.8

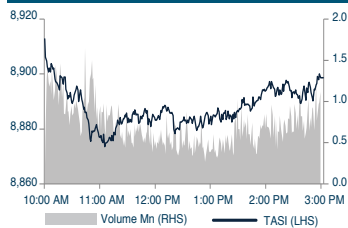
Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
ALOMRAN	114.60	-5.8
AMANA	42.45	-2.8
WATANIYA	48.65	-2.7
ADVANCED	65.30	-2.1
MALATH	23.24	-1.9

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	8,899	8,913	8,873	(0.2)	6.1
NomuC	26,536	26,825	25,356	3.0	269.6

TASI movement during session



TASI P/E Ratios

P/E (Tadawul)	29.4
P/E (Bloomberg)	35.6
P/E*	46.3
P/E after exclusions*	44.5
P/E ex. loss-making comp.*	19.5
P/E: top 50 MCAP*	31.2

*Source: Argaam (Excluding Aramco)

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,388	(0.4)	0.0	33.3
Materials	6,011	(0.2)	4.6	High
Capital Goods	6,759	0.7	3.4	Neg
Commercial Service	4,247	(0.1)	4.6	High
Transportation	4,947	0.2	2.2	Neg
Consumer Durables	6,082	0.6	6.3	Neg
Consumer Services	4,270	(0.1)	0.0	29.8
Media	10,118	(0.2)	(1.0)	38.5
Retailing	8,764	0.0	2.4	Neg
Food & Staples	10,723	(0.5)	1.8	34.6
Food & Beverages	5,482	(0.8)	0.3	30.4
Healthcare	5,834	0.2	3.2	35.1
Pharma & Bio Tech	5,139	0.3	(0.6)	Neg
Banks	7,778	(0.0)	2.5	18.3
Diversified Financials	4,599	0.3	0.1	Neg
Insurance	6,087	(0.9)	1.0	25.0
Telecom	7,135	(0.1)	3.4	22.3
Utilities	4,749	(0.4)	3.0	Neg
REITs	4,299	(0.1)	0.3	Neg
Real Estate	3,014	(0.1)	(0.2)	Neg
Software & Services	14,681	(0.0)	4.2	25.5

**Neg: Negative

Average Index Value

Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
8,877	8,775	8,737	8.46

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	-	-	-
Previous week	46.7	1,283.2	1,840.3

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Al Rajhi	74.70	-0.4
Saudi Aramco	35.00	-0.4
NCB	44.75	-0.4
SABIC	105.80	-0.2
STC	110.00	0.0



Regional and International Markets

- Among other regional markets, Dubai and Abu Dhabi decreased 0.7% and 0.5%, respectively. Egypt, Bahrain, Qatar and Kuwait rose 0.6%, 0.5%, 0.4% and 0.2%, respectively; while Oman declined 0.9%.
- According to Baker Hughes, North America's rig count increased to 534 in the week ended January 15 from 477 earlier. The rig count rose to 373 in the US from 360 earlier, while decreased to 16 in the Gulf of Mexico from 17. The rig count in Canada rose to 161 from 117 earlier. (Source: Baker Hughes, Econoday).
- US industrial production increased 1.6% M/M in December (consensus: a rise of 0.5%) from prior revised 0.5% growth in November. Manufacturing output rose 0.9% M/M in December (consensus: a rise of 0.5%) against an increase of 0.8% in November. The capacity utilization rate increased to 74.5% in December (consensus: 73.6%). (Source: Econoday)
- UK's GDP contracted 2.6% M/M in November (consensus: a decline of 5.7%) against a 0.6% M/M rise registered in October. (Source: RTT News)
- Oil prices plunged 2.3% on Friday impacted by concerns over lockdown in China.
- Gold prices fell 1.0%, as stronger US dollar weighed on the demand of the yellow metal.

Forex / Currency

Currency	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	90.8	0.6	0.9	0.9
Euro	1.21	-0.6	-1.1	-1.1
Japanese Yen	103.9	0.1	0.6	0.6
Sterling Pound	1.36	-0.7	-0.6	-0.6
Chinese Yuan	6.48	0.1	-0.7	-0.7
Indian Rupee	73.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.66	0.3	0.5	0.5
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.30	0.0	-0.3	-0.3
Omani Rial	0.38	0.0	0.1	0.1
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.1	0.1
Egyptian Pound	15.61	0.0	-0.5	-0.5

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
20 th Jan	MIS	Cash Dividend Distribution
24 th Jan	NCLE	Cash Dividend Distribution
25 th Jan	SADAFCO	Cash Dividend Distribution
26 th Jan	SFICO	OGM
26 th Jan	Solidarity	EGM
26 th Jan	Jazira Takaful	EGM

*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	2,702	-0.7	8.4	8.4	12.8
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	5,267	-0.5	4.4	4.4	15.5
Kuwait (KSE)	4,619	0.2	1.5	1.5	17.4
Qatar (QE)	10,914	0.4	4.6	4.6	17.7
Oman (MSM)	3,639	-0.9	-0.5	-0.5	9.2
Bahrain (BSE)	1,459	0.5	-2.0	-2.0	9.1
Egypt (EGX30)	11,453	0.6	5.6	5.6	8.5

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	30,814	-0.6	0.7	0.7	23.7
Nasdaq	12,999	-0.9	0.9	0.9	36.4
S&P 500	3,768	-0.7	0.3	0.3	29.6
FTSE 100	6,736	-1.0	4.3	4.3	17.5
Germany DAX 30	13,788	-1.4	0.5	0.5	24.6
France CAC 40	5,612	-1.2	1.1	1.1	60.0
Japan Nikkei 225	28,519	-0.6	3.9	3.9	28.7
Russia MICEX	3,451	-1.1	4.9	4.9	13.7
Hong Kong Hang Seng	28,574	0.3	4.9	4.9	15.6
South Korea KOSPI	3,086	-2.0	7.4	7.4	36.5
China Shanghai Composite	3,566	0.0	2.7	2.7	15.0
Australia ASX 200	6,715	0.0	1.9	1.9	22.6
India Sensex	49,035	-1.1	2.7	2.7	30.5
MSCI EM	1,358	-0.9	5.2	5.2	27.1
MSCI World	2,715	-0.9	0.9	0.9	33.6

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	55.0	-0.2	10.1	10.1
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	55.1	-2.3	6.4	6.4
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	52.4	-2.3	7.9	7.9
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	2.74	2.7	7.8	7.8
Gold (\$/oz)	1,828	-1.0	-3.7	-3.7
Silver (\$/oz)	24.7	-3.1	-6.2	-6.2
Steel (\$/ton)	1,066	0.6	6.1	6.1
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	1,120	-2.9	3.8	3.8
Wheat (\$/bu)	676	0.8	5.5	5.5
Corn (\$/bu)	532	-0.5	9.8	9.8
Sugar (\$/lb)	16.5	-1.3	6.2	6.2
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,263	0.2	1.7	1.7

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
USD LIBOR	0.226	-1.6	-1.3	-1.3
Saudi Arabia(SAIBOR)	0.818	0.0	0.0	0.0
UAE (EIBOR)	0.395	3.3	-11.7	-11.7
Qatar (QIBOR)	1.146	6.1	2.6	2.6
Bahrain (BHIBOR)	2.233	0.0	-1.7	-1.7

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

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

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