



Major Economic News

- Saudi Arabia's Ministry of Interior reiterated its warning to citizens against traveling to "red-list" countries as they are witnessing a surge in COVID-19 cases due to new variants. Those found to have violated the instructions would be banned from traveling abroad for three years. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- Fitch Ratings revised Saudi Aramco's outlook to 'Stable' from 'Negative', while affirming the company's long-term issuer default rating at 'A'. The ratings agency added that Saudi Aramco's liquids production is expected to gradually rebound throughout FY21-22, especially with OPEC+ agreement. (Source: Argaam)
- Alkhabeer REIT Fund entered into a profit rate swap hedging agreement with Al Rajhi Bank to fix the profit margin of the facilities used in the first additional offering of SAR 397.5mn at a fixed rate of 4.44%. The purpose of the hedging facility is to protect the fund from rate fluctuations during the remaining tenor of the facility, starting from September 1, 2021, to September 7, 2025. (Source: Argaam)
- Zahrat Al-Waha for Trading Co. implemented the capital expansion plan worth SAR 17.1mn in H1-21. The plan includes operating a new plastic preforms production line with accessories worth SAR 7.1mn and land purchase worth SAR 4.3mn. Construction, with an estimated cost of SAR 5.7mn, is expected to begin in Q1-22. (Source: Argaam)

Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange increased 0.2% to 10,916.7. The value traded stood at SAR 7.2bn (up 1.4% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 112/74. The parallel market index increased 1.2% to 24,373.6 points. The value traded stood at SAR 38.6mn (up 40.4% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the green. Telecom and Insurance (up 1.3% and 1.0%, respectively) advanced the most; Utilities and Pharma & Bio Tech (down 2.5% and 1.2%, respectively) led the laggards.

Earnings update (Net Profit) (SAR mn)

Company	Q2-21	Q2-20	Y/Y %	Q1-21	Q/Q %
Petro Rabigh	717.0	-1,435.0	NM	649.0	10.5
Saudi Investment Bank	287.8	262.3	9.7	213.5	34.8

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
ALANDALUS	30.25	10.0
AXA COOPERATIVE	43.55	6.6
MASHAAR REIT	11.90	5.7
GULF GENERAL	20.80	4.8
HERFY FOODS	67.00	4.7

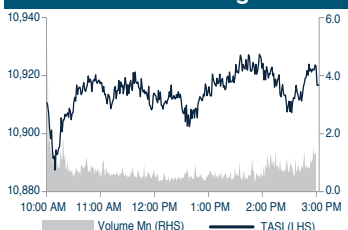
Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
CARE	69.50	-3.7
SAUDI ELECTRICITY	25.25	-2.7
EXTRA	131.20	-2.7
SHAKER	32.05	-2.4
ALHAMMADI	39.10	-2.4

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	10,917	10,928	10,887	0.2	25.6
NomuC	24,374	24,529	24,057	1.2	(7.1)

TASI movement during session



TASI Ratios

P/E* (x)	38.3
Price-to-Book (x)	2.5
Dividend Yield (%)	1.9
Return on Equity (%)	13.0

Source: Argaam
* Excluding Aramco

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,514	(0.2)	2.3	34.5
Materials	7,498	0.7	30.5	High
Capital Goods	9,236	0.2	41.3	High
Commercial Service	4,355	0.9	7.3	Neg
Transportation	6,271	0.4	29.5	Neg
Consumer Durables	8,320	0.3	45.4	High
Consumer Services	4,937	0.7	15.6	Neg
Media	21,295	0.8	108.4	High
Retailing	10,769	0.2	25.9	Neg
Food & Staples	10,099	(0.4)	(4.2)	31.5
Food & Beverages	5,981	(0.3)	9.5	32.7
Healthcare	7,731	(1.1)	36.7	44.0
Pharma & Bio Tech	7,810	(1.2)	51.0	High
Banks	10,151	(0.0)	33.8	25.7
Diversified Financials	7,950	(0.1)	73.0	Neg
Insurance	6,890	1.0	14.4	29.7
Telecom	8,165	1.3	18.3	24.3
Utilities	5,590	(2.5)	21.3	15.0
REITs	5,048	0.7	17.8	High
Real Estate	3,648	0.2	20.8	Neg
Software & Services	26,443	(0.2)	87.6	High

**Neg: Negative

Average Index Value

Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
10,853	10,817	10,894	9.37

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	22.3	663.8	894.7
Previous week	39.8	1,121.3	1,683.5

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Al Rajhi	109.40	-0.5
SNB	54.90	0.9
Saudi Aramco	34.70	-0.1
SABIC	120.40	0.3
STC	129.40	1.9



REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MARKETS

- Among other regional markets, Dubai increased 0.1%, while Abu Dhabi remained flat. Egypt and Oman rose 0.6% and 0.3%, respectively; while Qatar and Bahrain declined 0.1% each. Meanwhile, Kuwait remained flat.
- The International Monetary Fund raised the global growth forecast for FY22 to 4.9% from earlier forecast of 4.4%. The upward revision was mainly attributed to the expansion in the advanced economies. The growth estimate for FY21 was kept unchanged at 6.0%. (Source: RTT News)
- US consumer confidence index rose to 129.1 in July (consensus: 124.9) compared to an upwardly revised 128.9 in June. (Source: RTT News)
- US durable goods orders increased 0.8% in June (consensus: a rise of 2.1%) versus an upwardly revised 3.2% growth in May. Orders for transportation equipment increased by 2.1% in June after rising 10.0% in May. (Source: RTT News)
- Oil prices remained flat, as the impact of tightening supplies was offset by the concerns over rapidly spreading Delta variant of COVID-19.
- Gold prices rose 0.1%, as the weakness US dollar ahead of US Fed's policy announcement increased demand for the yellow metal.

Forex / Currency

Currency	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	92.4	-0.2	0.0	2.8
Euro	1.18	0.1	-0.3	-3.3
Japanese Yen	109.8	-0.5	-1.2	6.3
Sterling Pound	1.39	0.4	0.3	1.5
Chinese Yuan	6.51	0.4	0.8	-0.2
Indian Rupee	74.5	0.2	0.2	2.0
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.64	0.0	-1.6	0.0
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.30	-0.1	0.0	-1.1
Omani Rial	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.1
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.2	0.1
Egyptian Pound	15.64	0.0	-0.1	-0.3

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
28 th Jul	SEDCO CAPITAL REIT	Cash Dividend Distribution
01 st Aug	ALYAMAMAH STEEL	EGM
01 st Aug	TECO	OGM
01 st Aug	GACO	OGM
01 st Aug	ALKHODARI	OGM
01 st Aug	AXA COOPERATIVE	OGM

*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	2,761	0.1	-1.7	10.8	21.0
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	7,171	0.0	4.9	42.1	18.2
Kuwait (KSE)	5,411	0.0	1.8	18.9	14.8
Qatar (QE)	10,668	-0.1	-0.6	2.2	17.2
Oman (MSM)	4,017	0.3	-1.2	9.8	11.0
Bahrain (BSE)	1,594	-0.1	0.4	7.0	17.4
Egypt (EGX30)	10,763	0.6	4.9	-0.8	8.2

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	35,059	-0.2	1.6	14.5	20.6
Nasdaq	14,661	-1.2	1.1	13.8	34.9
S&P 500	4,401	-0.5	2.4	17.2	27.8
FTSE 100	6,996	-0.4	-0.6	8.3	17.5
Germany DAX 30	15,519	-0.6	-0.1	13.1	17.3
France CAC 40	6,532	-0.7	0.4	17.7	39.9
Japan Nikkei 225	27,970	0.5	-2.9	1.9	16.3
Russia MOEX	3,733	-0.5	-2.8	13.5	10.5
Hong Kong Hang Seng	25,086	-4.2	-13.0	-7.9	13.4
South Korea KOSPI	3,233	0.2	-1.9	12.5	19.0
China Shanghai Composite	3,381	-2.5	-5.8	-2.6	11.8
Australia ASX 200	7,431	0.5	1.6	12.8	23.0
India Sensex	52,579	-0.5	0.2	10.1	27.1
MSCI EM	1,252	-2.2	-8.9	-3.0	15.4
MSCI World	3,069	-0.4	1.7	14.1	28.5

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	74.5	0.4	-0.8	49.2
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	74.5	0.0	-0.9	43.8
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	71.7	-0.4	-2.5	47.7
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	3.97	-3.2	8.8	56.4
Gold (\$/oz)	1,799	0.1	1.6	-5.2
Silver (\$/oz)	24.7	-1.9	-5.5	-6.4
Steel (\$/ton)	1,786	0.3	-1.3	77.7
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	1,189	-0.8	-13.9	10.2
Wheat (\$/bu)	675	-0.4	0.4	5.3
Corn (\$/bu)	549	-0.2	-23.8	13.4
Sugar (\$/lb)	18.4	-0.4	4.1	18.5
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,500	0.0	-3.8	12.4

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
USD LIBOR	0.132	0.3	-1.4	-10.7
Saudi Arabia(SAIBOR)	0.794	0.1	0.1	-2.3
UAE (EIBOR)	0.378	2.6	2.9	-13.4
Qatar (QIBOR)	1.000	10.0	0.2	-12.1
Bahrain (BHIBOR)	1.592	0.0	-5.0	-65.8

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

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

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