



Major Economic News

- Saudi Arabia's Minister of Health, Tawfig AlRabiah, said that the ministry is currently reviewing the privatization plan of the health sector for the next five years following which a detailed package of privatization projects and size of the targeted investments will be announced. (Source: Argaam)
- GAC announced its no-objection on the merger of 32 local exchange companies and centers. The deal was one of the largest mergers in terms of the number of facilities in a single transaction. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- Middle East Healthcare Co. announced the launch of a new brand name for the company and its subsidiaries. Accordingly, the company's trading name on the Saudi Exchange was changed from "Saudi German Hospital" to "Saudi German Health". (Source: Argaam)
- Jarir Marketing Co.'s board of directors recommended a 14% cash dividend for Q2-21, at SAR 1.4 per share, amounting to SAR 168mn. (Source: Argaam)

Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange increased 0.2% to 11,325.1. The value traded stood at SAR 8.0bn (up 7.4% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 63/128. The parallel market index decreased 0.8% to 24,435.5 points. The value traded stood at SAR 28.3mn (down 55.6% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the red. Transportation and Commercial Service (up 1.9% and 1.2%, respectively) advanced the most; Insurance and Consumer Services (down 2.5% and 1.1%, respectively) led the laggards.

Earnings update (Net Profit) (SAR mn)

Company	Q2-21	Q2-20	Y/Y %	Q1-21	Q/Q %
Taiba Investments Co.	-12.9	79.8	NM	-1.9	NM
SISCO	22.5	56.5	-60.2	32.3	-30.3
Tabuk Cement Co.	1.9	0.5	250.0	7.1	-73.2
Al Yamamah Steel*	65.1	0.9	NM	60.0	8.4
Malath Insurance	-8.6	4.7	NM	0.7	NM
AWPT	21.7	26.2	-17.1	26.9	-19.4
SPIMACO	29.2	25.9	12.7	24.5	19.3
SPPC	15.4	1.5	NM	-13.6	NM
Southern Province Cement	95.0	135.0	-29.6	175.0	-45.7
Saudi Advanced Industries	16.8	4.7	257.2	17.1	-1.5
Electrical Industries Co.	8.0	-11.6	NM	7.0	14.9

* indicates Q3-21 results, as year ending is September

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
BUDGET SAUDI	49.40	4.1
TANMIAH	111.80	4.1
MAADEN	74.40	3.5
SEDCO CAPITAL REIT	13.44	3.2
MAHARAH	80.50	3.1

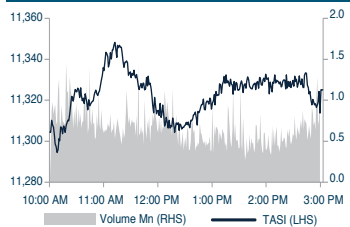
Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
ALRAJHI TAKAFUL	102.60	-4.3
MCDC	63.40	-4.2
ATC	37.10	-4.1
NCLE	66.00	-4.1
BUPA ARABIA	155.80	-3.8

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	11,325	11,349	11,292	0.2	30.3
NomuC	24,435	24,607	24,390	(0.8)	(6.9)

TASI movement during session



TASI Ratios

P/E* (x)	28.1
Price-to-Book (x)	2.4
Dividend Yield (%)	1.8
Return on Equity (%)	16.7

Source: Argaam
* Excluding Aramco

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,553	0.2	3.1	35.0
Materials	7,505	(0.1)	30.6	High
Capital Goods	9,220	(0.3)	41.0	High
Commercial Service	4,445	1.2	9.5	Neg
Transportation	6,465	1.9	33.5	Neg
Consumer Durables	8,185	0.0	43.0	High
Consumer Services	5,103	(1.1)	19.5	Neg
Media	20,150	0.2	97.2	High
Retailing	10,803	(0.5)	26.3	Neg
Food & Staples	10,022	(0.3)	(4.9)	31.2
Food & Beverages	5,848	(0.5)	7.0	32.6
Healthcare	8,633	0.4	52.7	49.7
Pharma & Bio Tech	7,256	(1.1)	40.3	High
Banks	11,015	1.0	45.1	27.9
Diversified Financials	7,900	(1.0)	71.9	Neg
Insurance	7,228	(2.5)	20.0	31.4
Telecom	8,485	(0.6)	23.0	25.4
Utilities	5,780	0.9	25.4	15.5
REITs	5,105	0.4	19.1	High
Real Estate	3,605	(0.7)	19.4	Neg
Software & Services	26,954	(0.8)	91.3	High

**Neg: Negative

Average Index Value

Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
11,250	11,186	11,000	7.72

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	31.3	827.3	1,266.6
Previous week	38.2	1,186.4	1,589.2

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Al Rajhi	119.40	0.3
SNB	60.00	0.7
Saudi Aramco	35.25	0.3
SABIC	122.80	-0.3
STC	136.20	-0.7



REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MARKETS

- Among other regional markets, Dubai decreased 0.1%, while Abu Dhabi increased 0.5%. Kuwait and Oman rose 0.6% and 0.1%, respectively; while Egypt and Bahrain gained 0.3% each. Meanwhile, Qatar remained flat.
- According to EIA, oil inventories in the US fell 0.4mn barrels (prior: up 3.6mn) to 438.8mn in the week ended August 06. Gasoline inventories decreased 1.4mn barrels (prior: down 5.3mn) to 227.5mn, while distillate inventories rose 1.8mn barrels (prior: up 0.8mn) to 140.5mn. (Source: EIA, Econoday)
- US CPI rose 0.5% in July (in line with consensus) compared to an increase of 0.9% in June. On Y/Y basis, CPI grew 5.4% in July (consensus: 5.5% increase) unchanged from the annual of growth rate in June. The core inflation eased to 4.3% in July (in line with consensus) from 4.5% in June. (Source: Econoday)
- Oil prices rose 1.1% driven by the statement from White House saying that it would not ask US producers to increase crude output.
- Gold prices increased 1.3% due to receding expectations of early tapering by US Fed, as US inflation eased compared to last month.

Forex / Currency

Currency	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	92.9	-0.1	0.8	3.3
Euro	1.17	0.2	-1.1	-3.9
Japanese Yen	110.4	-0.1	0.6	6.9
Sterling Pound	1.39	0.2	-0.2	1.5
Chinese Yuan	6.48	-0.1	0.3	-0.7
Indian Rupee	74.3	-0.2	-0.1	1.7
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.64	0.0	0.0	0.0
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.30	-0.2	0.1	-1.1
Omani Rial	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.1
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.1
Egyptian Pound	15.65	0.0	-0.1	-0.3

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
15 th Aug	Saudi Ceramics	Cash Dividend Distribution
17 th Aug	ASLAK	Cash Dividend Distribution
17 th Aug	YCC	Cash Dividend Distribution
18 th Aug	UCA	OGM
19 th Aug	DERAYAH REIT	Cash Dividend Distribution
19 th Aug	SABB	Cash Dividend Distribution

*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	2,815	-0.1	1.8	12.9	20.7
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	7,594	0.5	3.8	50.5	19.3
Kuwait (KSE)	5,463	0.6	0.5	20.0	14.9
Qatar (QE)	10,916	0.0	1.5	4.6	15.8
Oman (MSM)	4,006	0.1	-0.6	9.5	10.3
Bahrain (BSE)	1,623	0.3	1.6	8.9	13.0
Egypt (EGX30)	10,885	0.3	1.3	0.4	8.6

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	35,485	0.6	1.6	15.9	20.7
Nasdaq	14,765	-0.2	0.6	14.6	31.3
S&P 500	4,448	0.2	1.2	18.4	26.4
FTSE 100	7,220	0.8	2.7	11.8	15.1
Germany DAX 30	15,826	0.4	1.8	15.4	15.4
France CAC 40	6,858	0.6	3.7	23.5	24.0
Japan Nikkei 225	28,071	0.7	2.9	2.3	15.1
Russia MOEX	3,877	0.4	2.8	17.9	9.8
Hong Kong Hang Seng	26,660	0.2	2.7	-2.1	13.9
South Korea KOSPI	3,221	-0.7	0.6	12.1	17.2
China Shanghai Composite	3,533	0.1	4.0	1.7	12.2
Australia ASX 200	7,584	0.3	2.6	15.1	21.0
India Sensex	54,526	-0.1	3.7	14.2	27.2
MSCI EM	1,298	-0.2	1.5	0.5	17.3
MSCI World	3,110	0.3	1.3	15.6	24.6

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	72.3	1.3	-4.2	44.8
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	71.4	1.1	-6.4	37.9
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	69.3	1.4	-6.4	42.7
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	4.06	-0.7	3.7	59.9
Gold (\$/oz)	1,752	1.3	-3.4	-7.7
Silver (\$/oz)	23.5	0.9	-7.6	-10.8
Steel (\$/ton)	1,881	-0.1	-0.4	87.2
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	1,104	-2.7	7.0	2.3
Wheat (\$/bu)	727	0.0	3.3	13.5
Corn (\$/bu)	556	1.3	1.7	14.9
Sugar (\$/lb)	19.5	-0.6	8.7	25.7
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,500	0.0	1.6	12.4

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
USD LIBOR	0.123	-0.5	0.5	-11.6
Saudi Arabia (SAIBOR)	0.794	0.0	0.0	-2.3
UAE (EIBOR)	0.372	2.6	0.2	-14.0
Qatar (QIBOR)	0.937	-16.0	-1.3	-18.4
Bahrain (BHIBOR)	1.575	0.0	-1.7	-67.5

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

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

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