



Major Economic News

- The point-of-sale transactions declined by 3% to SAR 8.7bn in the week ending August 14, from SAR 9.0bn in the previous week. Data showed that a total of 104.7mn transactions were processed in the week ending August 14. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- National Housing Co. announced its plans to increase residential real estate supply in Riyadh, through constructing new integrated residential communities comprising more than 147,000 housing units that spread 83.5mn sq. m. (Source: Argaam)
- Methanol Chemical Co. completed the sale of 107,174 fractional shares resulting from its capital decrease. The company announced depositing around SAR 2.9mn proceeds from the sale of fractional shares into the accounts of eligible shareholders. The company sold these shares at an average price of SAR 27.2 each. (Source: Argaam)

Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange decreased 0.4% to 11,344.9. The value traded stood at SAR 5.5bn (down 13.4% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 55/134. The parallel market index remained flat at 24,916.2 points. The value traded stood at SAR 42.3mn (up 76.8% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the red. Software & Services and Food & Staples (up 0.9% and 0.2%, respectively) advanced the most; Pharma & Bio Tech and Transportation (down 1.7% and 1.6%, respectively) led the laggards.

Earnings update (Net Profit) (SAR mn)

Company	Q2-21	Q2-20	Y/Y %	Q1-21	Q/Q %
A. Othaim Market	47.9	125.3	-61.7	57.7	-16.9
Alhokair*	45.7	-535.6	NM	-348.3	NM
Arabian Pipes Co.	-13.1	-18.8	NM	1.0	NM
TADCO	-23.7	-6.2	NM	-1.3	NM
Emaar EC	-178.0	-205.0	NM	-194.0	NM
Basic Chemical Industries	14.6	15.3	-4.4	14.4	1.6
Al Babbtain	15.5	22.5	-31.0	15.5	0.4
Maadaniyah	-7.4	-7.7	NM	-7.1	NM
Zoujaj	10.3	-10.1	NM	8.9	15.7
Sharqiyah Dev	-2.4	-0.5	NM	-0.3	NM

*- indicates Q1-22 results as year ending is March

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
UCA	31.00	3.3
TAKWEEN	22.02	3.0
FITNESS TIME	90.50	2.8
ZOUJAJ	41.00	2.8
ALINMA TOKIO M	36.00	2.1

Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
GULF UNION ALAHLIA	18.90	-6.6
ALSAGR INSURANCE	16.00	-4.4
ABO MOATI	52.50	-4.0
SISCO	42.70	-3.7
ALHOKAIR	21.36	-3.4

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	11,345	11,403	11,308	(0.4)	30.6
NomuC	24,916	25,127	24,914	0.0	(5.1)

TASI movement during session



TASI Ratios

P/E* (x)	28.5
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	5,527	(0.5)	2.6	34.8
Materials	7,509	(0.8)	30.7	High
Capital Goods	8,885	(0.7)	35.9	High
Commercial Service	4,392	(0.2)	8.2	Neg
Transportation	6,165	(1.6)	27.3	Neg
Consumer Durables	7,974	(0.5)	39.4	High
Consumer Services	5,109	0.0	19.7	Neg
Media	19,811	(1.0)	93.9	High
Retailing	10,673	(0.9)	24.7	Neg
Food & Staples	10,003	0.2	(5.1)	31.3
Food & Beverages	5,769	(0.2)	5.6	32.3
Healthcare	8,413	(1.3)	48.8	48.5
Pharma & Bio Tech	6,768	(1.7)	30.9	High
Banks	11,184	0.1	47.4	28.2
Diversified Financials	7,695	(0.3)	67.4	Neg
Insurance	7,168	(0.7)	19.0	31.2
Telecom	8,417	(1.6)	22.0	25.2
Utilities	5,949	(1.1)	29.1	16.0
REITs	5,042	0.2	17.7	High
Real Estate	3,560	(0.1)	17.9	Neg
Software & Services	28,140	0.9	99.7	High

**Neg: Negative

Average Index Value

Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
11,347	11,298	11,150	7.36

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	24.9	647.6	1,122.7
Previous week	39.8	1,048.0	1,634.8

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Al Rajhi	122.40	0.3
SNB	60.00	-0.7
Saudi Aramco	35.05	-0.6
SABIC	123.80	-1.0
STC	135.00	-2.2



REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MARKETS

- Among other regional markets, Dubai increased 0.9%, while Abu Dhabi decreased 0.5%. Qatar rose 0.1%, while Oman and Egypt declined 0.3% each. Kuwait fell 0.2%. Meanwhile, Bahrain remained closed.
- According to EIA, oil inventories in the US fell 3.2mn barrels (prior: down 0.4mn) to 435.5mn in the week ended August 13. Gasoline inventories increased 0.7mn barrels (prior: down 1.4mn) to 228.2mn, while distillate inventories decreased 2.7mn barrels (prior: up 1.8mn) to 137.8mn. (Source: EIA, Econoday)
- Minutes of US Fed's July meeting suggest that the central bank may start tapering purchase of assets before end of the year. (Source: CNBC)
- US housing starts fell by 7.0% to an annual rate of 1.534mn in July (consensus: a decline of 2.6%) after rising by 3.5% to a revised rate of 1.650mn in June. (Source: RTT News)
- Oil prices dropped 1.2% due to continued concerns over rising COVID-19 cases globally and increase in gasoline inventories in the US last week.
- Gold prices gained 0.1% driven by rise in expectation of US Fed tapering asset purchase this year, after release of minutes of Fed's July meeting.

Forex / Currency

Currency	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	93.1	0.0	1.0	3.6
Euro	1.17	0.0	-1.3	-4.1
Japanese Yen	109.7	0.2	0.0	6.3
Sterling Pound	1.38	0.1	-1.1	0.6
Chinese Yuan	6.48	0.0	0.4	-0.6
Indian Rupee	74.3	-0.1	-0.1	1.7
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.68	-0.2	1.2	1.2
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.30	0.2	0.2	-1.0
Omani Rial	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.1
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.1
Egyptian Pound	15.65	-0.1	-0.1	-0.3

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
19 th Aug	DERAYAH REIT	Cash Dividend Distribution
19 th Aug	SABB	Cash Dividend Distribution
22 nd Aug	SPCC	Cash Dividend Distribution
22 nd Aug	Alinma	Cash Dividend Distribution
23 rd Aug	SNB	Cash Dividend Distribution
23 rd Aug	EPCCO	Cash Dividend Distribution

*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	2,862	0.9	3.5	14.8	21.1
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	7,695	-0.5	5.1	52.5	19.6
Kuwait (KSE)	5,418	-0.2	-0.4	19.0	16.0
Qatar (QE)	10,996	0.1	2.3	5.4	16.0
Oman (MSM)	3,991	-0.3	-1.0	9.1	10.4
Bahrain (BSE)	1,638	0.0	2.6	10.0	12.8
Egypt (EGX30)	10,908	-0.3	1.5	0.6	8.5

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	34,961	-1.1	0.1	14.2	21.4
Nasdaq	14,526	-0.9	-1.0	12.7	31.1
S&P 500	4,400	-1.1	0.1	17.2	26.6
FTSE 100	7,169	-0.2	1.9	11.0	14.9
Germany DAX 30	15,966	0.3	2.7	16.4	15.3
France CAC 40	6,770	-0.7	2.4	22.0	25.5
Japan Nikkei 225	27,586	0.6	1.1	0.5	14.7
Russia MOEX	3,925	-0.5	4.1	19.3	10.0
Hong Kong Hang Seng	25,867	0.5	-0.4	-5.0	13.2
South Korea KOSPI	3,159	0.5	-1.4	9.9	16.5
China Shanghai Composite	3,485	1.1	2.6	0.4	11.9
Australia ASX 200	7,502	-0.1	1.5	13.9	17.6
India Sensex	55,629	-0.3	5.8	16.5	26.7
MSCI EM	1,262	0.5	-1.3	-2.3	16.4
MSCI World	3,078	-0.7	0.3	14.4	24.2

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	71.7	0.2	-4.9	43.7
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	68.2	-1.2	-10.6	31.7
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	65.5	-1.7	-11.5	34.9
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	3.85	0.4	-1.6	51.7
Gold (\$/oz)	1,788	0.1	-1.5	-5.8
Silver (\$/oz)	23.5	-0.7	-7.8	-10.9
Steel (\$/ton)	1,887	0.1	-0.1	87.8
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	953	-2.1	-7.6	-11.7
Wheat (\$/bu)	737	0.4	4.8	15.1
Corn (\$/bu)	562	0.6	2.7	16.1
Sugar (\$/lb)	20.2	0.7	12.6	30.2
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,503	0.1	1.7	12.5

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
USD LIBOR	0.127	0.3	1.0	-11.1
Saudi Arabia (SAIBOR)	0.796	0.0	0.1	-2.2
UAE (EIBOR)	0.357	1.3	-1.4	-15.6
Qatar (QIBOR)	1.010	-8.1	6.0	-11.0
Bahrain (BHIBOR)	1.592	0.0	0.0	-65.8

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

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

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