



Major Economic News

- SAMA extended the deferred payment program for MSMEs that are still impacted by the COVID-19 precautionary measures for three additional months from October 01 to December 31, 2021. (Source: Argaam)
- Saudi Arabia's general reserves grew by SAR 1.7bn M/M to SAR 357.2bn in August. The Kingdom's current account saw a drop of SAR 15.2bn M/M to SAR 69.7bn in August. (Source: Argaam)
- CITC launched the second phase of the broadband opening project dedicated to the business sector. The move followed the success of the first phase, in which individuals were allowed to choose the most appropriate fiber-optic service provider, regardless of the owner of the infrastructure. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- Mouwasat Medical Services Co. completed the pilot operation of the expansion project for Mouwasat Hospital in Dammam. (Source: Argaam)
- CMA approved Nayifat Finance Co.'s request to offer 35mn shares, representing 35% of the company's share capital, in an IPO. (Source: Argaam)
- CMA approved a request by East Pipes Integrated Company for Industry to float 6.3mn shares or 30% of its share capital, in an IPO. The offering will be limited to qualified investors. (Source: Argaam)
- Petro Rabigh signed a joint agreement with Saudi Aramco and Saudi Basic Industries Corporation. Under the agreement, SABIC will promote Saudi Aramco's share of Petro Rabigh's petrochemical products, starting October 01. (Source: Argaam)

Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange remained flat at 11,383.7. The value traded stood at SAR 6.1bn (down 31.0% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 100/86. The parallel market index remained flat at 23,909.7 points. The value traded stood at SAR 42.1mn (down 52.2% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the green. Diversified Financials and Consumer Durables (up 2.6% and 1.5%, respectively) advanced the most; Commercial Service and Energy (down 1.0% and 0.9%, respectively) led the laggards.

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
ASEER	25.95	10.0
ALABDULLATIF	35.25	4.3
NGC	49.15	3.3
MAADEN	82.50	3.3
SIIG	39.70	3.1

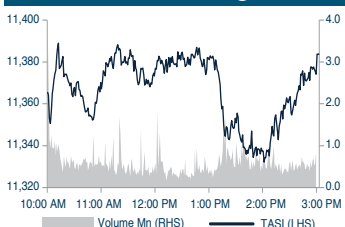
Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
ALRAJHI TAKAFUL	94.40	-3.1
MEPCO	41.30	-2.8
ALDREES	72.10	-2.6
EMAAR EC	13.28	-2.4
UCA	32.30	-2.1

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	11,384	11,391	11,331	0.0	31.0
NomuC	23,910	24,029	23,664	0.0	(8.9)

TASI movement during session



TASI Ratios

P/E* (x)	27.5
Price-to-Book (x)	2.5
Dividend Yield (%)	1.8
Return on Equity (%)	16.9

Source: Argaam
* Excluding Aramco

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,687	(0.9)	5.6	26.3
Materials	8,045	0.2	40.0	26.2
Capital Goods	8,823	(0.4)	34.9	High
Commercial Service	4,731	(1.0)	16.5	Neg
Transportation	6,242	0.5	28.9	Neg
Consumer Durables	8,116	1.5	41.8	High
Consumer Services	5,121	(0.1)	20.0	Neg
Media	20,045	0.1	96.2	High
Retailing	10,777	(0.2)	26.0	47.0
Food & Staples	9,815	0.2	(6.8)	39.7
Food & Beverages	5,702	1.1	4.4	38.1
Healthcare	7,746	(0.1)	37.0	41.3
Pharma & Bio Tech	6,168	(0.2)	19.3	High
Banks	11,015	0.0	45.1	21.2
Diversified Financials	7,726	2.6	68.1	High
Insurance	6,778	(0.6)	12.5	39.2
Telecom	7,859	(0.3)	13.9	23.3
Utilities	6,091	0.8	32.1	8.5
REITs	4,959	(0.3)	15.7	Neg
Real Estate	3,498	0.1	15.8	Neg
Software & Services	28,897	1.0	105.1	High

**Neg: Negative

Average Index Value

Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
11,352	11,363	11,370	7.06

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	29.1	852.0	1,188.2
Previous week	24.1	684.9	1,076.9

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Al Rajhi	121.00	-0.3
SNB	60.20	-0.5
Saudi Aramco	36.00	-1.0
SABIC	127.00	-1.4
STC	123.80	-0.6



REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MARKETS

- Among other regional markets, Dubai and Abu Dhabi decreased 0.1% and 0.3%, respectively. Qatar and Bahrain rose 0.4% and 0.1%, respectively; while Egypt fell 0.5%. Meanwhile, Oman and Kuwait declined 0.2% each.
- According to EIA, oil inventories in the US rose 4.6mn barrels (prior: down 3.5mn) to 418.5mn in the week ended September 24. Gasoline inventories increased 0.2mn barrels (prior: up 3.5mn) to 221.8mn, while distillate inventories rose 0.4mn barrels (prior: down 2.6mn) to 129.7mn. (Source: EIA, Econoday)
- China's Caixin manufacturing PMI rose to 50.0 in September (consensus: 49.5) compared to 49.2 in August. (Source: Econoday)
- Japan's industrial production declined by a seasonally adjusted 4.3% M/M in August (consensus: a decrease of 0.5%) versus 1.5% contraction in July. On Y/Y basis, industrial production grew 9.3% (consensus: an increase of 8.0%) compared to 11.6% rise in the previous month. (Source: RTT News)
- Oil prices dropped 0.6% due to an increase in US oil inventories last week and continued strength in US dollar.
- Gold prices fell 0.4%, as stronger US dollar weighed on demand for the yellow metal.

Forex / Currency

Currency	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	94.3	0.6	1.8	4.9
Euro	1.16	-0.7	-1.8	-5.1
Japanese Yen	112.0	0.4	1.8	8.4
Sterling Pound	1.34	-0.8	-2.4	-1.8
Chinese Yuan	6.47	0.2	0.2	-0.8
Indian Rupee	74.3	0.1	1.8	1.7
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.66	0.6	-0.7	0.7
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.30	0.1	0.2	-0.9
Omani Rial	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.1
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.1
Egyptian Pound	15.66	0.0	0.1	-0.2

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
30 th Sep	ARDCO	Cash Dividend Distribution
30 th Sep	ALMRAKEZ	OGM
03 rd Oct	SABIC	Cash Dividend Distribution
03 rd Oct	HCC	OGM
04 th Oct	SASCO	Cash Dividend Distribution
05 th Oct	ABO MOATI	Cash Dividend Distribution

*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	2,827	-0.1	-2.6	13.4	20.9
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	7,731	-0.3	0.6	53.2	21.4
Kuwait (KSE)	5,626	-0.2	2.2	23.6	15.3
Qatar (QE)	11,431	0.4	3.0	9.5	16.6
Oman (MSM)	3,943	-0.2	-0.6	7.8	10.3
Bahrain (BSE)	1,703	0.1	3.5	14.3	13.3
Egypt (EGX30)	10,391	-0.5	-6.8	-4.2	7.8

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	34,391	0.3	-2.7	12.4	21.0
Nasdaq	14,512	-0.2	-4.9	12.6	30.4
S&P 500	4,359	0.2	-3.6	16.1	25.9
FTSE 100	7,108	1.1	-0.2	10.0	14.5
Germany DAX 30	15,365	0.8	-3.0	12.0	15.8
France CAC 40	6,561	0.8	-1.8	18.2	22.3
Japan Nikkei 225	29,544	-2.1	5.2	7.7	15.8
Russia MOEX	4,058	-0.2	3.6	23.4	8.9
Hong Kong Hang Seng	24,664	0.7	-4.7	-9.4	11.5
South Korea KOSPI	3,060	-1.2	-4.3	6.5	16.2
China Shanghai Composite	3,536	-1.8	-0.2	1.8	12.0
Australia ASX 200	7,197	-1.1	-4.5	9.3	17.3
India Sensex	59,413	-0.4	3.2	24.4	28.3
MSCI EM	1,251	-0.8	-4.4	-3.1	15.6
MSCI World	3,029	-0.1	-3.6	12.6	23.6

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	78.2	-2.5	8.3	56.7
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	78.6	-0.6	7.7	51.8
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	74.8	-0.6	9.2	54.2
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	5.48	-6.2	25.1	115.7
Gold (\$/oz)	1,726	-0.4	-4.8	-9.1
Silver (\$/oz)	21.5	-4.1	-9.9	-18.4
Steel (\$/ton)	1,900	-1.5	-2.3	89.1
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	672	-2.9	-28.0	-37.7
Wheat (\$/bu)	710	0.5	0.5	10.9
Corn (\$/bu)	539	1.2	0.9	11.4
Sugar (\$/lb)	18.9	-0.2	-4.5	22.3
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,628	-0.4	2.7	18.1

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
USD LIBOR	0.132	0.0	1.2	-10.7
Saudi Arabia (SAIBOR)	0.809	0.0	1.3	-0.9
UAE (EIBOR)	0.364	0.0	0.2	-14.9
Qatar (QIBOR)	1.131	0.7	11.2	1.0
Bahrain (BHIBOR)	1.550	0.0	-1.7	-70.0

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

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

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