



Major Economic News

- Saudi Ports Authority announced adding a new shipping service between Saudi Arabia and Djibouti through container shipping company, Transmar. The move aims to boost the Kingdom's petrochemical exports in the region and increasing the shipping and transportation of goods within Saudi ports. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- Jarir Marketing Co. opened a new showroom in Majmaah governorate at a total investment cost of SAR 30.0mn. The new opening brings the total number showrooms in Saudi Arabia to 59 and abroad to 68. The relevant financial impact will show during Q4-21. (Source: Argaam)
- Dur Hospitality Co. signed a management and operation contract with Accor to manage and operate a luxury tourist resort In Jeddah, under Rixos brand, over a period of 20 years. The expected positive financial impact of this contract will start from Q3-23. (Source: Argaam)
- Alkhorayef Water and Power Technologies Co. signed a SAR 250mn Shariah-compliant credit facility agreement with Alinma Bank. The financing duration is valid until July 31, 2022 and is covered by a promissory note as a guarantee. (Source: Argaam)
- CMA approved the request received from Etihad Atheeb Telecommunication Co. to reduce its capital from SAR 228.5mn to SAR 90.0mn, thus reducing the number of shares from 22.9mn to 9.0mn shares. (Source: Argaam)
- Saudi Advanced Industries Co. signed a non-binding MoU with Educational Guide for Training and Education Co. for the possible acquisition of no less than 30% stake in the company. (Source: Argaam)

Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange decreased 0.5% to 11,204.4. The value traded stood at SAR 6.1bn (up 8.9% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 39/158. The parallel market index decreased 2.8% to 26,409.0 points. The value traded stood at SAR 124.4mn (up 7.2% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the red. Software & Services and Healthcare (up 1.2% and 0.5%, respectively) were the only gainers; Media and Consumer Services (down 1.9% each) led the laggards.

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
SAIB	19.16	9.1
MIS	143.00	3.6
BSFR	45.95	3.0
ALSAGR INSURANCE	17.60	2.7
SABIC AGRI-NUTRIENTS	174.20	1.8

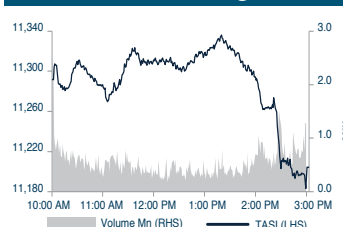
Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
FARM SUPERSTORES	30.25	-5.2
ALINMA TOKIO M	33.80	-4.9
SIECO	97.20	-4.9
AMIANIT	17.50	-4.8
RAYDAN	22.30	-4.5

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	11,204	11,336	11,181	(0.5)	28.9
NomuC	26,409	27,351	26,389	(2.8)	0.6

TASI movement during session



TASI Ratios

P/E* (x)	22.6
Price-to-Book (x)	2.3
Dividend Yield (%)	1.8
Return on Equity (%)	19.9

Source: Argaam
*Excluding Aramco

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,475	(0.2)	1.6	20.6
Materials	7,309	(1.3)	27.2	18.6
Capital Goods	7,560	(1.8)	15.6	High
Commercial Service	4,630	(1.8)	14.0	Neg
Transportation	5,381	(1.5)	11.1	Neg
Consumer Durables	6,650	(0.9)	16.2	49.2
Consumer Services	4,826	(1.9)	13.0	Neg
Media	20,171	(1.9)	97.4	33.5
Retailing	9,936	(0.0)	16.1	37.5
Food & Staples	9,341	(0.2)	(11.4)	44.8
Food & Beverages	4,876	(0.5)	(10.8)	38.3
Healthcare	7,293	0.5	29.0	38.7
Pharma & Bio Tech	5,224	(0.1)	1.0	High
Banks	12,033	(0.1)	58.6	21.7
Diversified Financials	6,985	(1.6)	52.0	High
Insurance	6,125	(0.5)	1.7	49.3
Telecom	7,217	(0.9)	4.6	20.7
Utilities	5,814	(1.0)	26.1	8.2
REITs	4,754	(0.0)	10.9	Neg
Real Estate	3,245	(0.4)	7.5	Neg
Software & Services	27,969	1.2	98.5	32.1

**Neg: Negative

Average Index Value

Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
11,222	11,120	11,043	8.06

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	24.8	673.3	1,324.4
Previous week	53.5	1,162.9	1,964.5

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Al Rajhi	140.00	-1.3
SNB	63.30	0.6
Saudi Aramco	35.40	-0.1
SABIC	114.00	-1.7
STC	111.20	-1.1



REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MARKETS

- Among other regional markets, Dubai and Abu Dhabi decreased 0.8% and 0.7%, respectively. Kuwait, Bahrain and Qatar rose 1.2%, 0.5% and 0.3%, respectively; while Oman and Egypt gained 0.9% each.
- According to EIA, oil inventories in the US fell 4.7mn barrels (prior: down 4.6mn) to 423.6mn in the week ended December 17. Gasoline inventories increased 5.5mn barrels (prior: down 0.7mn) to 224.1mn, while distillate inventories rose 0.4mn barrels (prior: down 2.9mn) to 124.2mn. (Source: EIA, Econoday)
- US GDP expanded 2.3% in Q3-21 (consensus: an increase of 2.1%), reflecting an upward revision from the previously estimated 2.1% growth. The upward revision was driven by higher consumer spending and private inventory investment. (Source: RTT News)
- US existing home sales increased 1.9% to an annual rate of 6.46mn in November versus a rise of 0.8% to a rate of 6.34mn in October. (Source: RTT News)
- Oil prices increased 1.8% driven by a decline in US oil inventories last week, further supported by production outages in Libya.
- Gold prices rose 0.8%, as the weaker US dollar boosted demand for the yellow metal.

Forex / Currency

Currency	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	96.1	-0.4	0.1	6.8
Euro	1.13	0.4	-0.1	-7.3
Japanese Yen	114.1	0.0	0.8	10.5
Sterling Pound	1.34	0.7	0.4	-2.3
Chinese Yuan	6.38	0.0	0.2	-1.9
Indian Rupee	75.6	-0.1	0.5	3.4
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.67	0.0	0.1	0.0
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.30	0.0	0.1	-0.4
Omani Rial	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.1
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
Egyptian Pound	15.71	0.0	0.0	-0.2

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
23 rd Dec	HCC	Cash Dividend Distribution
29 th Dec	QACCO	OGM
29 th Dec	Allianz SF	EGM
30 th Dec	YCC	Cash Dividend Distribution
30 th Dec	Dallah Health	Cash Dividend Distribution
30 th Dec	Sipchem	Cash Dividend Distribution

*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	3,126	-0.8	1.7	25.5	20.5
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	8,399	-0.7	-1.7	66.5	21.1
Kuwait (KSE)	5,863	1.2	2.5	28.8	9.5
Qatar (QE)	11,684	0.3	2.6	12.0	15.0
Oman (MSM)	4,110	0.9	2.7	12.3	10.7
Bahrain (BSE)	1,778	0.5	2.8	19.3	10.1
Egypt (EGX30)	11,631	0.9	2.1	7.2	7.8

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	35,754	0.7	3.7	16.8	19.9
Nasdaq	16,180	1.2	0.3	25.5	39.6
S&P 500	4,697	1.0	2.8	25.0	25.8
FTSE 100	7,342	0.6	4.0	13.6	17.6
Germany DAX 30	15,593	0.9	3.3	13.7	15.1
France CAC 40	7,052	1.2	4.9	27.0	21.3
Japan Nikkei 225	28,562	0.2	2.7	4.1	16.4
Russia MOEX	3,747	1.5	-3.7	13.9	7.1
Hong Kong Hang Seng	23,102	0.6	-1.6	-15.2	9.3
South Korea KOSPI	2,984	0.3	5.1	3.9	13.9
China Shanghai Composite	3,623	-0.1	1.6	4.3	15.5
Australia ASX 200	7,365	0.1	1.5	11.8	23.1
India Sensex	56,931	1.1	-0.2	19.2	26.9
MSCI EM	1,210	0.5	-0.2	-6.3	13.7
MSCI World	3,184	1.0	2.6	18.3	22.8

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	75.4	3.4	3.6	51.1
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	75.3	1.8	6.7	45.3
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	72.8	2.3	9.9	50.0
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	4.0	2.8	-12.9	32.3
Gold (\$/oz)	1,803.7	0.8	1.6	-5.0
Silver (\$/oz)	22.8	1.3	-0.1	-13.6
Steel (\$/ton)	1,615.0	-1.4	0.3	60.7
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	689.0	0.2	15.2	-36.1
Wheat (\$/bu)	814.0	1.9	3.4	26.7
Corn (\$/bu)	602.5	0.7	6.2	36.9
Sugar (\$/lb)	19.3	2.8	3.5	35.0
SMP* (EUR/MT)	3,383.0	-0.7	3.8	52.0

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
USD LIBOR	0.216	0.0	24.7	-9.4
Saudi Arabia (SAIBOR)	0.894	0.2	5.7	9.4
UAE (EIBOR)	0.461	14.6	32.3	-10.0
Qatar (QIBOR)	1.150	2.2	-1.7	2.6
Bahrain (BHIBOR)	1.517	0.0	0.0	-32.6

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

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

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