



Major Economic News

- The World Bank maintained Saudi Arabia's FY21 growth forecast at 2.4%, while raised it for FY22 to 4.9% compared to 3.3% earlier. The bank added that the oil sector will likely witness strong recovery, which will reflect positively on exports. The non-oil business is expected to benefit from the large number of vaccinated persons against coronavirus, as well as accelerated investments. (Source: Argaam)
- Sakani program targets 180,000 new families in FY22, providing them with diversified housing solutions and options. Total 130,000 out of 180,000 families will reside in their houses this year, while over 100,000 subsidized real estate loans will also be provided. (Source: Argaam)
- The investment arm of GOSI, Hassana Investment Co., restructured the organization's stakes in the Saudi Exchange listed companies. The changes will be reflected on GOSI's holdings in 30 firms. (Source: Argaam)

Major Corporate News

- The board of directors of BinDawood Holding Co. approved the establishment of a 100%-owned subsidiary with its head office in Jeddah and a capital of SAR 5.0mn. The subsidiary will be specialized in providing solutions and technical projects that will help in capitalizing on investment opportunities through establishing new companies and acquiring existing entities to achieve BinDawood Holding's long-term goals and strategy. (Source: Argaam)
- Knowledge Economic City Co. signed a SAR 48.9mn construction contract with the contractor Mohammed Al-Rashed Trading and Contracting Co. to build the bus station with the retail shops on its land adjacent to the train station in its Madinah Gate Project. (Source: Argaam)

Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange decreased 1.0% to 12,079.0 on Thursday. The value traded stood at SAR 7.7bn (up 2.4% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 123/66. The parallel market index increased 0.1% to 26,263.3 points. The value traded stood at SAR 186.9mn (down 32.9% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the green. Utilities and Banks (up 1.9% and 1.4%, respectively) advanced the most; Media and Commercial Service (down 2.0% and 0.9%, respectively) led the laggards.

Top Gainers		
Company	Price	Change%
ALBILAD	54.80	5.8
RIBL	31.10	5.4
FARM SUPERSTORES	30.80	4.8
ACWA POWER	94.40	4.5
NGC	50.50	3.9

Top Losers		
Company	Price	Change%
TAWUNIYA	80.10	-3.1
ZOUJAJ	43.65	-2.4
ARAB SEA	195.40	-2.3
BUDGET SAUDI	49.40	-2.2
SRMG	235.00	-2.1

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	12,079	12,079	11,947	1.0	7.1
NomuC	26,263	26,470	26,161	0.1	1.1

TASI movement during session



TASI Ratios

P/E* (x)	24.4
Price-to-Book (x)	2.5
Dividend Yield (%)	1.0
Return on Equity (%)	19.9

Source: Argaam
*Excluding Aramco

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	5,677	0.9	2.9	21.4
Materials	7,813	1.1	6.4	20.0
Capital Goods	7,950	0.9	5.4	High
Commercial Service	4,399	-0.9	-1.0	Neg
Transportation	5,535	0.7	5.7	Neg
Consumer Durables	6,580	-0.2	3.6	48.8
Consumer Services	4,867	0.3	4.9	Neg
Media	27,363	-2.0	17.7	44.3
Retailing	10,250	0.7	4.1	38.5
Food & Staples	9,399	0.3	3.0	36.1
Food & Beverages	4,976	0.4	2.9	38.9
Healthcare	7,905	1.2	8.1	41.9
Pharma & Bio Tech	5,277	-0.4	1.7	High
Banks	13,488	1.4	10.4	24.5
Diversified Financials	7,251	0.6	6.2	47.8
Insurance	6,085	-0.8	1.6	49.0
Telecom	7,341	0.6	0.9	21.0
Utilities	6,356	1.9	7.1	9.2
REITs	4,713	0.6	2.2	Neg
Real Estate	3,258	0.0	2.8	Neg
Software & Services	30,025	0.1	4.8	34.5

**Neg: Negative

Average Index Value

Average 5 days	Average 10 days	Average 20 days	Average value traded for the month (bn)
11,821	11,600	11,410	6.37

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	-	-	-
Previous week	36.7	954.7	1661.4

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Al Rajhi	151.00	0.3
SNB	73.00	1.5
Saudi Aramco	36.70	1.0
SABIC	122.00	0.8
STC	112.60	0.7



REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MARKETS

- Among other regional markets, Dubai and Abu Dhabi increased 0.2% and 0.7%, respectively. Qatar and Bahrain rose 1.3% and 0.7%, respectively; while Oman and Kuwait increased 0.2% and 0.1%, respectively. Meanwhile, Egypt decreased 0.4%.
- According to Baker Hughes, North America's rig count increased to 792 in the week ended January 14 from 729 earlier. The rig count rose to 601 in the US from 588 earlier and 18 in the Gulf of Mexico from 16 earlier. The rig count in Canada increased to 191 from 141 earlier. (Source: Baker Hughes)
- US industrial production decreased 0.1% M/M in December (consensus: 0.4% rise) compared to an increase of 0.7% in November. The decline in production was primarily due to a sharp drop in utilities. The capacity utilization rate for industrial sector fell to 76.5% in December from 76.6% in November. (Source: RTT News)
- Oil prices surged 1.9% on Friday, amid expectations that the impact of Omicron on oil demand would be temporary, further supported by anticipated tightening of supplies.
- Gold prices fell 0.3%, as the firmer US dollar and higher treasury yields weighed on demand for the yellow metal.

Forex / Currency

Currency	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	95.17	0.4	-0.5	-0.5
Euro	1.14	-0.4	0.4	0.4
Japanese Yen	114.19	0.0	-0.8	-0.8
Sterling Pound	1.37	-0.2	1.1	1.1
Chinese Yuan	6.36	-0.1	0.0	0.0
Indian Rupee	74.15	0.4	-0.2	-0.2
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.66	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.30	0.0	-0.2	-0.2
Omani Rial	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
Egyptian Pound	15.69	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
16 th Jan	AXA COOPERATIVE	OGM
17 th Jan	SASCO	Cash Dividend Distribution
20 th Jan	NCLE	Cash Dividend Distribution
20 th Jan	SICO SAUDI REIT	OGM
20 th Jan	Baazeem	OGM
20 th Jan	Jouf Cement	EGM

*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	3,215	0.2	0.6	0.6	20.0
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	8,426	0.7	-0.7	-0.7	21.0
Kuwait (KSE)	6,074	0.1	3.2	3.2	9.8
Qatar (QE)	12,318	1.3	6.0	6.0	15.6
Oman (MSM)	4,267	0.2	3.3	3.3	11.2
Bahrain (BSE)	1,804	0.7	0.4	0.4	10.2
Egypt (EGX30)	12,012	-0.4	0.5	0.5	8.1

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	35,912	-0.6	-1.2	-1.2	19.9
Nasdaq	15,612	0.7	-4.3	-4.3	38.1
S&P 500	4,663	0.1	-2.2	-2.2	25.6
FTSE 100	7,543	-0.3	2.1	2.1	18.1
Germany DAX 30	15,883	-0.9	0.0	0.0	15.3
France CAC 40	7,143	-0.8	-0.1	-0.1	21.7
Japan Nikkei 225	28,124	-1.3	-2.3	-2.3	15.9
Russia MOEX	3,597	-2.1	-5.0	-5.0	6.8
Hong Kong Hang Seng	24,383	-0.2	4.2	4.2	9.7
South Korea KOSPI	2,922	-1.4	-1.9	-1.9	13.6
China Shanghai Composite	3,521	-1.0	-3.3	-3.3	15.1
Australia ASX 200	7,394	-1.1	-0.7	-0.7	23.1
India Sensex	61,223	0.0	5.1	5.1	28.6
MSCI EM	1,257	-0.5	2.1	2.1	14.2
MSCI World	3,173	-0.3	-1.8	-1.8	22.8

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	86.9	0.8	9.6	9.6
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	86.1	1.9	10.6	10.6
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	83.8	2.1	11.4	11.4
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	4.3	-0.2	14.3	14.3
Gold (\$/oz)	1,817.9	-0.3	-0.6	-0.6
Silver (\$/oz)	23.0	-0.5	-1.5	-1.5
Steel (\$/ton)	1,437.0	-0.1	0.1	0.1
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	721.5	-2.2	5.5	5.5
Wheat (\$/bu)	741.5	-0.7	-3.8	-3.8
Corn (\$/bu)	596.3	1.5	0.5	0.5
Sugar (\$/lb)	18.3	1.2	-3.0	-3.0
SMP* (EUR/MT)	3,400.0	-1.8	1.0	1.0

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
USD LIBOR	0.24	0.9	15.4	15.4
Saudi Arabia (SAIBOR)	0.92	0.0	1.9	1.9
UAE (EIBOR)	0.40	4.5	9.2	9.2
Qatar (QIBOR)	1.15	0.0	2.2	2.2
Bahrain (BHIBOR)	1.52	0.0	0.0	0.0

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters

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

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