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Market Analysis

- The Saudi Stock Exchange declined 0.1% to 11,367.1. The value traded stood at SAR 5.3bn (up 13.8% over previous day), while the advance-decline ratio stood at 108/99. The parallel market index increased 0.6% to 23,629.1 points. The value traded stood at SAR 33.4mn (down 1.5% over previous day). Most sectors in the main market ended in the red. Retailing and Media & Entertainment (down 1.2% and 0.8%, respectively) declined the most; Software & services and Diversified Financials (up 5.4% and 2.1%, respectively) advanced the most.

Top Gainers

Company	Price	Change%
SALAMA	24.68	10.0
THIMAR	28.50	9.8
ELM	772.00	8.1
ALBAHA	0.17	6.3
ALHAMMADI	53.80	5.3

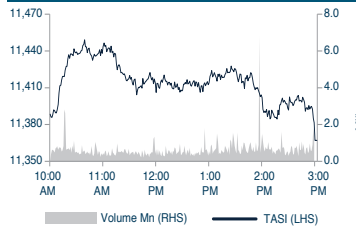
Top Losers

Company	Price	Change%
AL MAATHER REIT	8.83	-3.5
CENOMI RETAIL	18.90	-3.3
FARM SUPERSTORES	24.26	-2.6
ALMAWARID	128.00	-2.3
MOUWASAT	108.20	-2.2

Saudi Stock Exchange

Index	Closing	High	Low	Daily Change%	YTD %
TASI	11,367	11,450	11,367	-0.1	8.5
NomuC	23,629	23,714	23,456	0.6	21.7

TASI movement during session



TASI Ratios

P/E* (x)	23.43
Price-to-Book (x)	2.26
Dividend Yield (%)	2.67
Return on Equity (%)	22.07

*Source: Argaam (Excluding Aramco)

Index	Close	Daily Change%	YTD %	PE (TTM)
Energy	6,458	0.3	19.0	16.7
Materials	6,355	-0.4	1.0	40.3
Capital Goods	7,571	0.4	44.9	21.4
Commercial Service	4,615	1.0	34.3	28.4
Transportation	5,525	-0.6	21.7	High
Consumer Durables	5,041	0.5	19.3	Neg
Consumer Services	5,204	1.8	41.0	41.0
Media	23,799	-0.8	10.7	26.7
Retailing	7,787	-1.2	8.5	22.5
Food & Staples	10,154	0.3	18.9	20.1
Food & Beverages	5,901	-0.3	27.2	31.7
Healthcare	10,812	-0.6	18.7	45.8
Pharma & Bio Tech	5,033	-0.5	75.2	High
Banks	10,961	-0.4	-5.0	13.2
Diversified Financial	6,884	2.1	8.2	33.9
Insurance	7,946	-0.5	49.4	24.6
Telecom	7,436	-0.6	16.4	16.0
Utilities	8,330	0.9	16.1	16.5
REITs	3,625	-0.6	-8.8	High
Real Estate	3,299	-0.3	31.9	High
Software & Services	67,384	5.4	87.8	43.6

Average Index Value

Average days 5	Average days 10	Average days 20	Average value traded for the month (bn)
11,421	11,438	11,467	5.3

Market Statistics

	Value Traded (SAR bn)	Volumes (mn shares)	No. of Trades ('000)
Current Week	18.7	747.37	1,346.38
Previous week	27.3	1,088.93	1,875.67

Top Weighted Companies

Company	Price	Change%
Saudi Aramco	34.50	0.3
Al Rajhi	72.50	-0.3
SNB	35.25	-0.7
SABIC	88.00	0.0
STC	40.00	-1.1



International Market News

- According to EIA, oil inventories in the US fell by 6.1 mn barrels (prior: down 6.0mn) to 433.5mn in the week ended August 18. Gasoline increased by 1.5mn barrels from last week (prior: down 0.3mn) to 217.6mn, while distillate inventories increased 0.9mn barrels (prior: up 0.3mn) to 116.7mn. (Source: EIA)
- In August, the UK private sector entered contraction territory, following a six-month record of expansion, as lackluster domestic economic conditions and increased interest rates dampened demand. The flash composite output index declined to a 31-month low of 47.9 in August from 50.8 in July, services PMI posted 48.7 in August vs 51.5 a month ago while the manufacturing PMI came-in at a 39-month low of 42.5 in August from 45.3 in July. (Source: RTT News)
- China's headline CPI fell 0.3% Y/Y in July, first deflation in two years. As per PIMCO economists, the persistent deflation in China is likely to spill over to developed economies. (Source: RTT News)
- Oil prices declined 1.0% as concerns about demand from a build in US gasoline stocks and dismal global industrial data overcame optimism about a larger-than-expected decline in US crude stocks.
- Gold prices jumped 1.0% as investors looked ahead to the Jackson Hole economic symposium for guidance on interest rates.

Forex / Currency

Currency / USD	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Dollar Index	103.42	-0.1	1.5	-0.1
Euro	1.09	0.2	-1.2	1.5
Japanese Yen	144.84	-0.7	1.8	10.5
Sterling Pound	1.27	0.0	-0.8	5.3
Chinese Yuan	7.29	-0.3	2.0	5.3
Indian Rupee	82.69	-0.3	0.5	-0.1
UAE Dirham	3.67	0.0	0.0	0.0
Qatari Rial	3.65	0.0	0.0	-0.6
Kuwaiti Dinar	0.31	0.1	0.4	0.8
Omani Rial	0.39	0.0	0.0	0.0
Bahraini Dinar	0.38	0.0	0.0	0.0
Egyptian Pound	30.90	-0.1	0.0	24.8

Corporate Calendar

Date	Company	Event
24 th Aug	ACC	Cash Dividend Distribution
24 th Aug	SIIG	Cash Dividend Distribution
24 th Aug	Budget Saudi	Eligibility for cash dividend
24 th Aug	A.Othaim Market	Eligibility for cash dividend
24 th Aug	Dallah Health	Eligibility for cash dividend
24 th Aug	ELM	Cash Dividend Distribution

*EGM: Extra Ordinary Meeting

*OGM: Ordinary General Meeting

Regional Markets

Market	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dubai (DFM)	4,099	0.8	1.0	23.2	9.4
Abu Dhabi (ADX)	9,729	-0.4	-0.6	-5.2	32.2
Kuwait (KSE)	7,730	0.2	-4.1	-4.8	18.4
Qatar (QE)	10,332	-1.2	-5.8	-3.3	12.9
Oman (MSM)	4,775	0.1	0.0	-1.7	13.1
Bahrain (BSE)	1,954	-0.5	-0.4	3.1	7.4
Egypt (EGX30)	18,133	-0.5	3.1	24.2	9.7

International Markets

Index	Close	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %	P/E
Dow Jones	34,473	0.5	-3.1	4.0	20.7
Nasdaq	15,148	1.6	-3.9	38.5	31.9
S&P 500	4,436	1.1	-3.3	15.5	21.7
FTSE 100	7,321	0.7	-4.9	-1.8	10.6
Germany DAX 30	15,728	0.1	-4.4	13.0	12.4
France CAC 40	7,247	0.1	-3.3	11.9	12.5
Japan Nikkei 225	32,010	0.5	-3.5	22.7	25.5
Russia MOEX	3,146	-0.6	2.4	46.1	2.4
Hong Kong Hang Seng	17,846	0.3	-11.1	-9.8	9.1
South Korea KOSPI	2,506	-0.4	-4.8	12.0	17.8
China Shanghai Composite	3,078	-1.3	-6.5	-0.4	13.7
Australia ASX 200	7,148	0.4	-3.5	1.6	14.6
India Sensex	65,433	0.3	-1.6	7.5	22.9
MSCI EM	970	0.4	-7.3	1.4	13.7
MSCI World	2,938	1.0	-4.1	12.9	19.9

Commodity Markets

Commodity	Price	Daily Change%	MTD %	YTD %
Arab Light Crude (\$/bbl)	88.43	-0.9	-0.4	5.0
Brent Crude (\$/bbl)	83.21	-1.0	-2.7	-3.1
Texas crude (\$/bbl)	78.89	-1.8	-3.6	-1.7
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	2.50	-2.5	-5.2	-39.2
Gold (\$/oz)	1,915.48	0.9	-2.5	5.0
Silver (\$/oz)	24.31	3.9	-1.8	1.5
Steel (\$/ton)	802.00	-0.6	-2.8	7.8
Iron Ore (CNY/MT)	906.50	3.0	1.0	5.8
Wheat (\$/bu)	639.75	2.0	-7.5	-22.0
Corn (\$/bu)	490.50	2.3	-4.4	-19.7
Sugar (\$/lb)	23.85	1.9	-1.1	33.8
SMP* (EUR/MT)	2,241.00	0.1	-5.2	-19.3

*SMP: Skimmed Milk Powder

Interbank Rates

Region	Rate*	Daily Change(bps)	MTD (bps)	YTD (bps)
KSA (SAIBOR 1M)	5.78	-4.0	6.2	104.7
KSA (SAIBOR 3M)	6.11	0.6	10.6	77.4
KSA (SAIBOR 6M)	6.10	2.1	8.6	50.6
KSA (SAIBOR 12M)	6.09	0.5	5.5	22.5
USA (SOFR 3M)	5.39	0.8	2.6	80.4
UAE (EIBOR 3M)	5.27	-11.6	0.5	95.8

Data Sources: Tadawul, Bloomberg, Reuters
Closes as of August 23, 2023

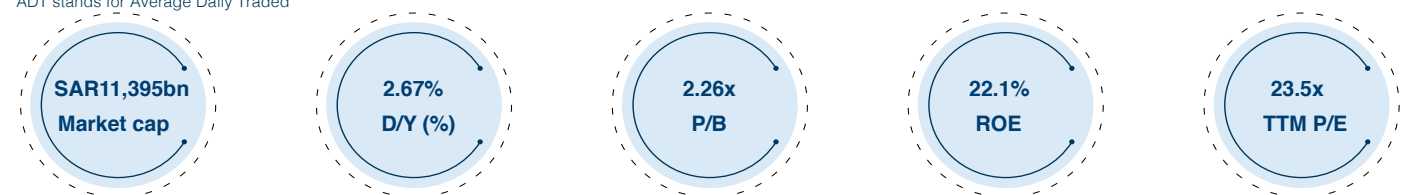


Technical observations	
Index	TASI
Ticker	SASEIDX Index
Last Close	11,367
Short-term view	Cautious
52 weeks high/low	13,949 – 9,931

Market data	
Exchange Market Cap. (SAR bn)	11,394.7
Value (SAR mn)	5,298.2
Volume (mn)	201.2
Number of Transactions	369,819
Market Breadth	108 : 99

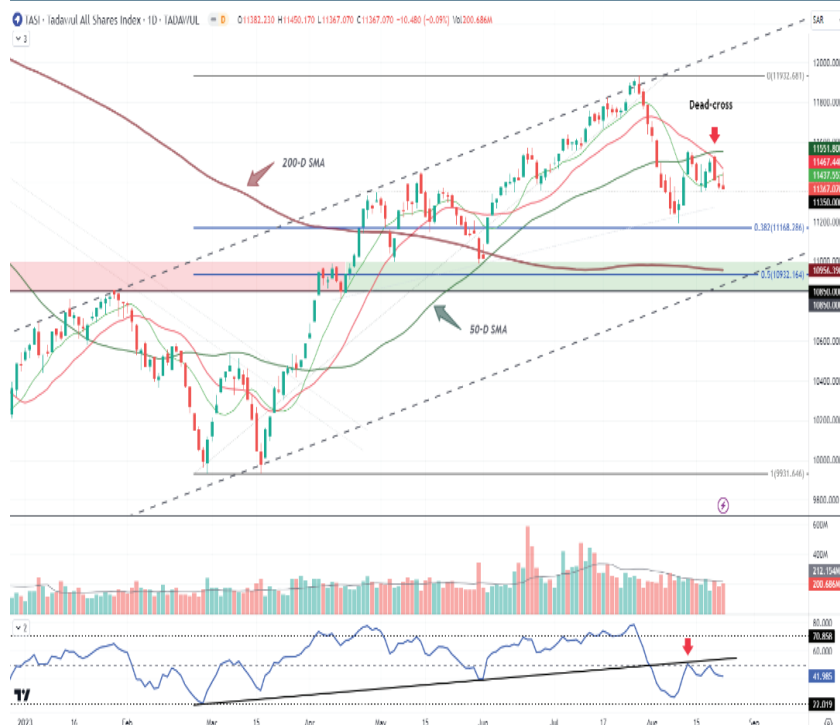
Key statistics	
1D return %	-0.09%
MTD return %	-2.78%
QTD return	-0.80%
YTD return	8.48%
ADT vol. 3M* (mn)	246.0
ADT val. 3M (SARmn)	6,132.2

*ADT stands for Average Daily Traded



Source: Bloomberg, Argaaam

TASI daily chart



Source: Tradingview, Aljazira Capital

SAUDI MARKET - TOP PICKS FOR THE WEEK

Code	Company	Close*	Buy range	Target 1	Target 2	Reward %	Stop loss
No stocks recommendations due to market volatility							

* As of 23rd Aug 2023

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TASI market commentary

- TASI witnessed a decline on Wednesday which was led by index heavyweights Telecommunication services (-0.58% D/D) and Banks (-0.44% D/D) sectors. At close, the Saudi market ended the day with a change of -0.09% at 11,367. In terms of activity, total volumes and value traded were ~201mn and ~SAR 5.3bn, respectively. The advance-decline ratio came in at 108/99.

Technical outlook

- TASI closed slightly lower at 11,367, dropping 10 points more. The last session opened with a strong recovery, but the selling power came back when the index retested its 10-day SMA and forced it to surrender all the session's gains to close at the low. TASI formed an inverted hammer candlestick that requires a following positive candlestick as a confirmation to signal a minor bounce and keep the near-term trend sideways. Additionally, the 20 & 50-day SMAs are keeping diverging negatively suggesting a higher chance of further selling pressure in the short term. Furthermore, the RSI indicator is still displaying a downward movement after retesting the level of 50. TASI has immediate support at around the level of 11,350 followed by 11,170. If breached, the index would be expected to meet the next level of support near 11,100. On the other hand, immediate resistance is seen at around 11,450 followed by 11,550. If penetrated, the next resistance is expected to lay near 11,650. Traders are advised to watch the critical support level of 11,350 closely, as a close below it could trigger more selling pressure. Also, the profit-taking sentiment may persist as long as the index remains below the key resistance level of 11,550.

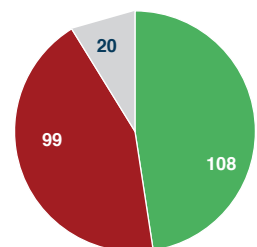
Key price levels						
S3	S2	S1	Pivot	R1	R2	R3
11,100	11,170	11,350	11,450	11,550	11,650	11,775

Our view



Market depth

Unchanged
Up
Down



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Candlestick: A candlestick (candle) is a type of price chart used to display the high, low, opening, and closing prices of a security for the period under consideration.

Support: This is the price level at which demand is strong enough to avoid any further price decline.

Resistance: This is the price level at which supply is strong enough to stop any further price increase.

Pattern/formation: This is a plot of a security's price activity over a certain period that can be used to identify potential trends, reversal of trends, price targets, entry and exit points, etc. There are various formations – such as head & shoulders, triangles, flags, etc.

Simple moving average: A simple moving average is formed by computing the average price of a security over a specific number of periods. Moving averages are based on closing prices.

Relative strength index (RSI): RSI is a momentum indicator that compares a security's price gains to its losses for a predetermined number of periods (generally, 14 periods are used). The RSI attempts to point out how security, in relative terms, is in the overbought/oversold zone.

Moving average convergence/divergence (MACD): MACD is a trading indicator that shows changes in the strength, direction, momentum, and duration of a trend in a stock's price through a collection of three- time series calculated from historical closing prices.

Fibonacci retracements: These are horizontal lines that indicate the expected areas of support/resistance for a security based on a predetermined price movement. These are usually indicated by Fibonacci ratios of 23.6%, 38.2%, 50.0%, 61.8%, and 100% from that movement.

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