momentum investments





04 August 2020	Close price at 8/3/2020	Daily % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last year
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	55,829.40	0.2%	0.2%	-2.2%	-0.8%
All-Share Index Total Return	8,618.10	0.2%	0.2%	-0.5%	2.79
Resources Index	32,464.53	1.7%	1.7%	14.6%	30.19
Industrials Index	78,554.08	0.2%	0.2%	4.7%	-0.79
Financials Index	25,220.43	-3.1%	-3.1%	-35.9%	-35.19
Top 40 Index	51,571.71	0.4%	0.4%	1.5%	2.59
Shareholder Weighted Index	20,284.44	-0.3%	-0.3%	-4.4%	-1.49
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	21,068.24	-0.7%	-0.7%	-8.6%	-5.0%
SA Listed Property Index	1,109.61	-2.2%	-2.2%	-40.9%	-42.19
SA Volatility Index	24.57	-0.4%	-0.4%	55.4%	45.09
Interest-bearing indices					
JSE Assa All Bond Index (Albi)	704.05	-0.2%	-0.2%	0.8%	4.0%
SteFI Composite Index	456.95	0.0%	0.0%	3.7%	6.79
JSE Assa SA Government ILB Index	249.07	0.2%	0.2%	-3.4%	-4.39
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			-30.0%	-30.09
Repo rate	3.50%			-46.2%	-46.29
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1,974.43	-0.1%	-0.1%	29.5%	37.19
Platinum price	903.97	-0.5%	-0.5%	-6.9%	7.39
Oil price	44.15	1.4%	1.4%	-33.3%	-28.09
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	26,664.40	0.9%	0.9%	-6.6%	0.79
S&P 500 (US)	3,294.61	0.7%	0.7%	2.0%	12.49
FTSE (UK)	3,349.50	2.1%	2.1%	-20.2%	-17.19
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	24,458.13	-0.6%	-0.6%	-13.2%	-9.19
Shanghai	3,367.97	1.8%	1.8%	10.4%	17.49
Nikkei (Japan)*	22,195.38	2.2%	2.2%	-6.2%	5.39
Cac 40 (France)	4,875.93	1.9%	1.9%	-18.4%	-9.09
Dax (Germany)	1,181.90	2.6%	2.6%	-4.6%	6.39
MSCI Emerging*	1,077.87	-0.1%	-0.1%	-3.3%	7.49
MSCI Developed*	2,324.08	0.8%	0.8%	-1.5%	8.19
US Volatility Index	24.28	-0.7%	-0.7%	76.2%	35.99
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	17.19	-0.8%	-0.8%	-18.6%	-14.09
Rand/euro	20.22	-0.5%	-0.5%	-22.4%	-18.79
Rand/pound	22.48	-0.6%	-0.6%	-17.4%	-20.09
Dollar/euro	1.18	0.1%	0.1%	-4.7%	-5.69
Inflation indicator					
СРІ					2.19
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	15.82	-4.4%	-4.4%	-27.6%	-4.69

Local update

The JSE firmed on Monday with gains by Shoprite, Naspers and Prosus making up for losses in other sectors, with banks faring worst on the day. Shares in SA's largest retailer, Shoprite, jumped the most in more than four months after the group announced that it would exit Nigeria, where it first opened stores in 2005.

Building materials group Cashbuild has agreed to buy Pepkor's The Building Company (TBC) for almost R1.1bn, a move it says will improve its retail presence in SA's coastal regions. The sale includes brands including Timber City, Bildware and Tiletoria, with 160 outlets and 21 franchise stores, generating about R8bn in annual revenue. Pepkor said the sale would streamline its portfolio of businesses. It intends using the proceeds to settle debt.

SAB, a division of AB Inbev, the world's largest brewer, said it has stopped R5bn of planned investments in SA, citing uncertainty caused by the government's decision to ban alcohol sales as part of its strategy to contain the spread of Covid-19. The company said in a statement on Monday that it was withdrawing R2.5bn of planned infrastructure upgrades for the current financial year, while a planned investment of a similar amount for the next year has been placed under review.

Distell, maker of some of SA's most well-known wine, cider and alcohol brands, has said it is "deeply concerned about increasing criminality" after its Springs plant was robbed on Sunday. Criminals made off with about R1m worth of alcohol, at retail prices, in two trucks on Sunday morning. President Cyril Ramaphosa announced a ban on the sale of alcohol on July 12 with the aim of reducing trauma patients injured by drunk driving and alcohol-fuelled violence. It was expected that Covid-19 patients would overwhelm hospitals.

*Last available numbers used, as these numbers were not available

Global undate

Beijing — China could take aim at American journalists in Hong Kong, if the US does not renew visas for Chinese journalists, Global Times editor-in-chief Hu Xijin says.

New York — Wealthy countries have already locked up more than a billion doses of coronavirus vaccines, raising worries that the rest of the world will be at the back of the queue in the global effort to defeat the pathogen.