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	Close price at 1/4/2021	Daily % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last year
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	60,479.42	1.8%	5.9%	1.8%	4.6%
All-Share Index Total Return	9,433.80	1.8%	6.1%	1.8%	7.6%
Resources Index	34,863.33	5.3%	15.3%	5.3%	20.8%
Industrials Index	83,196.80	0.6%	-0.6%	0.6%	9.3%
Financials Index	29,827.77	-1.6%	6.3%	-1.6%	-24.3%
Top 40 Index	55,438.07	1.9%	5.8%	1.9%	7.6%
Shareholder Weighted Index	21,979.74	0.9%	4.9%	0.9%	2.4%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	23,417.94	1.0%	6.5%	1.0%	0.5%
SA Listed Property Index	1,209.27	-1.7%	11.8%	-1.7%	-35.7%
SA Volatility Index	18.30	-0.8%	-10.7%	-0.8%	15.1%
Interest-bearing indices					
FTSE/JSE All Bond Index (Albi)	762.95	0.5%	3.0%	0.5%	9.2%
SteFI Composite Index	464.77	0.0%	0.4%	0.0%	5.4%
FTSE/JSE Inflation-Linked Index	268.24	0.1%	2.3%	0.1%	4.0%
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			0.0%	-30.0%
Repo rate	3.50%			0.0%	-46.2%
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1,931.94	2.0%	8.8%	2.0%	24.5%
Platinum price	1,102.50	3.0%	14.9%	3.0%	12.6%
Oil price	51.09	-1.4%	6.7%	-1.4%	-25.6%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	30,223.89	-1.3%	2.0%	-1.3%	5.5%
S&P 500 (US)	3,700.65	-1.5%	2.2%	-1.5%	14.4%
FTSE (UK)	3,724.50	1.4%	5.1%	1.4%	-12.1%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	27,472.81	0.9%	4.3%	0.9%	-3.4%
Shanghai	3,502.96	0.9%	3.3%	0.9%	13.6%
Nikkei (Japan)*	27,258.38	-0.7%	3.1%	15.2%	15.2%
Cac 40 (France)	5,588.96	0.7%	1.3%	0.7%	-7.5%
Dax (Germany)	1,300.91	0.2%	4.2%	5.0%	4.9%
MSCI Emerging*	1,304.43	1.0%	8.2%	1.0%	16.1%
MSCI Developed*	2,670.04	-0.7%	3.4%	-0.7%	13.0%
US Volatility Index	26.97	18.5%	31.1%	18.5%	92.4%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	14.72	-0.2%	5.1%	-0.2%	-2.8%
Rand/euro	18.04	-0.5%	2.3%	-0.5%	-11.5%
Rand/pound	19.98	0.5%	3.1%	0.5%	-6.3%
Dollar/euro	1.23	-0.3%	-2.7%	-0.3%	-8.9%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					3.2%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	15.38	-2.4%	-1.2%	-2.4%	-30.1%

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

Global update

London — Scientists are not fully confident that Covid-19 vaccines will work on a new variant of the coronavirus found in SA, ITV's political editor said on Monday, citing an unidentified scientific adviser to the British government.

Beijing — Alibaba founder Jack Ma's absence from public view in the past two months, including missing the final episode of a TV show on which he was to appear as a judge, has fuelled social media speculation over his whereabouts amid a Chinese regulatory clampdown on his sprawling business empire.

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Local update

The JSE rose above the 60,000-point level and the rand strengthened for a fourth straight session on the first stock trading day of 2021 as a weaker dollar spurred precious metals prices and boosted investor appetite for higher yielding assets. The rand strengthened against the dollar along with most emerging-market (EM) currencies, while the JSE climbed to its highest in more than two weeks. The price of commodities, which are priced in dollars, rallied as the greenback traded at its weakest level since April 2018.

Paper and packaging group Mondi has announced its intention to expand its presence in Turkey by acquiring packaging firm Olmuksan. The company recently resumed dividend payments to shareholders, citing its resilience amid the Covid-19 pandemic. Mondi has agreed to buy an initial 90.38% stake in Olmuksan International Paper for €66m (R1.2bn), though the deal is still subject to conditions, including approval from competition authorities.

SA's biggest businesses said they are "seriously considering" a request by the government to help fund the acquisition of Covid-19 vaccines as the disease curbs activity in the continent's most-industrialised economy. The government has come under increasing pressure from unions, health leaders and opposition parties for its failure to secure any agreements with pharmaceutical companies even as at least 29 other countries begin to inoculate their populations. SA expects to start getting shots for about 10% of its population only in the second quarter. That deal has been arranged through the Covax initiative, which is designed to ensure poorer countries can secure access.

Unit 1 at the Koeberg nuclear power station has been taken offline as a result of an increasing leak rate, Eskom said. In a statement on Monday, the utility said the unit had been taken offline when on Sunday afternoon "an increasing leak rate was observed on one of three steam generators in Unit 1". This was confirmed by other plant measurement readings.