momentum







08 January 2021	Close price at 1/7/2021	Daily % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last year
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	63,042.88	1.9%	6.1%	6.1%	9.9%
All-Share Index Total Return	9,833.76	1.9%	6.1%	6.1%	13.0%
Resources Index	37,664.07	3.0%	13.8%	13.8%	31.6%
Industrials Index	85,438.70	0.8%	3.3%	3.3%	12.4%
Financials Index	30,104.19	2.4%	-0.7%	-0.7%	-22.3%
Top 40 Index	58,006.23	2.0%	6.7%	6.7%	13.4%
Shareholder Weighted Index	22,431.55	1.0%	3.0%	3.0%	5.4%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	24,021.36	1.7%	3.6%	3.6%	4.1%
SA Listed Property Index	1,186.81	0.8%	-3.5%	-3.5%	-36.6%
SA Volatility Index	16.42	-4.4%	-11.0%	-11.0%	4.2%
Interest-bearing indices					
FTSE/JSE All Bond Index (Albi)	756.62	-0.4%	-0.3%	-0.3%	8.2%
SteFI Composite Index	464.91	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	5.3%
FTSE/JSE Inflation-Linked Index	268.81	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	4.2%
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			0.0%	-30.0%
Repo rate	3.50%			0.0%	-46.2%
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1,917.46	-1.8%	1.2%	1.2%	22.5%
Platinum price	1,101.24	-0.2%	2.9%	2.9%	13.7%
Oil price	54.38	0.1%	5.0%	5.0%	-20.4%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	31,041.13	0.7%	1.4%	1.4%	8.6%
S&P 500 (US)	3,803.79	1.5%	1.3%	1.3%	17.5%
FTSE (UK)	3,870.45	0.2%	5.4%	5.4%	-8.1%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	27,548.52	-0.5%	1.2%	1.2%	-2.7%
Shanghai	3,576.20	0.7%	3.0%	3.0%	15.2%
Nikkei (Japan)*	27,490.13	1.6%	0.2%	16.2%	16.6%
Cac 40 (France)	5,669.85	0.7%	2.1%	2.1%	-5.7%
Dax (Germany)	1,320.06	0.5%	1.7%	6.6%	6.4%
MSCI Emerging*	1,322.30	0.5%	2.4%	2.4%	18.5%
MSCI Developed*	2,734.19	1.3%	1.6%	1.6%	15.7%
US Volatility Index	22.37	-10.8%	-1.7%	-1.7%	62.2%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	15.45	-2.5%	-4.9%	-4.9%	-7.4%
Rand/euro	18.96	-2.0%	-5.3%	-5.3%	-15.8%
Rand/pound	20.96	-2.2%	-4.2%	-4.2%	-10.4%
Dollar/euro	1.23	0.5%	-0.4%	-0.4%	-9.1%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					3.2%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	16.16	1.4%	2.5%	2.5%	-25.5%
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Local update

The JSE closed at a record high on Thursday, along with world stocks as investors bet on the likelihood of more economic stimulus under a Democrat-controlled US Congress. Democrats gained control of the Senate by winning two run-off elections in Georgia, completing a "blue wave", with the party now set to lead the White House, the House and the Senate, which will allow US president-elect Joe Biden greater scope to implement his policies.

Broadcasting and telecoms regulator the Independent Communications Authority of SA (Icasa) says it will hold hearings next week as part of its investigation into competition in the pay-TV sector. After issuing five pay-TV licences from 2007 and having only three of those holders launch services since then, Icasa launched an inquiry in 2016 into the state of competition in the subscription broadcasting services sector.

Universities are gearing up to start the new academic year only in the first week of April, with a few aiming to kick off in March. Delays in the completion of the 2020 academic year resulted in registrations for the new academic year being pushed back to late March for most universities. At least two universities in Gauteng said their first-year programmes were already full. Those who are still awaiting their matric results to secure space in universities may have to look for something else to do in 2021.

SAB has revealed in court papers that the government has been informed that the conditions in the merger agreement between AB InBev and SABMiller have been suspended effective from the day the new alcohol ban was imposed at the end of December. The conditions raised by SAB impact two key issues in SA — jobs in a country in which unemployment is at record highs, and investment, which is necessary to grow SA's already ailing economy.

Global update

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

Seoul — A South Korean court has ordered Japan to compensate women forced to work in Japan's military brothels during World War 2, a landmark decision that inflamed tensions between the US allies just before Joe Biden takes office.

Washington — Democrats will take control of the US Senate for the first time in six years after media executive Jon Ossoff ousted Republican David Perdue in Georgia, according to networks and the Associated Press.