momentum investments





13 January 2022	Close price at 1/12/2022	Daily % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last year
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	75,884.75	2.6%	3.0%	3.0%	19.4%
All-Share Index Total Return	12,331.72	2.6%	3.0%	3.0%	24.4%
Resources Index	43,351.56	4.4%	6.5%	6.5%	17.1%
Industrials Index	102,742.95	2.0%	-0.2%	-0.2%	17.2%
Financials Index	39,676.19	0.7%	4.8%	4.8%	30.4%
Top 40 Index	69,206.78	2.8%	3.2%	3.2%	18.3%
Shareholder Weighted Index	27,350.88	2.5%	3.8%	3.8%	20.3%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	30,522.93	2.3%	3.6%	3.6%	26.4%
SA Listed Property Index	1,673.07	0.0%	-0.6%	-0.6%	39.9%
SA Volatility Index	16.81	-14.1%	-13.4%	-13.4%	2.5%
Interest-bearing indices					
FTSE/JSE All Bond Index	822.33	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%	8.6%
SteFI Composite Index	482.93	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%	3.8%
FTSE/JSE Inflation-Linked Index	307.38	-0.1%	-0.9%	-0.9%	14.0%
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.25%			0.0%	3.6%
Repo rate	3.75%			0.0%	7.1%
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1,817.11	0.4%	-0.7%	-0.7%	-2.1%
Platinum price	971.00	2.0%	0.2%	0.2%	-8.4%
Oil price	84.67	1.1%	8.9%	8.9%	49.6%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	36,290.32	0.1%	-0.1%	-0.1%	16.8%
S&P 500 (US)	4,726.35	0.3%	-0.8%	-0.8%	24.3%
FTSE (UK)	4,270.79	0.7%	1.5%	1.5%	11.9%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	24,402.17	2.8%	4.3%	4.3%	-13.7%
Shanghai	3,597.43	0.8%	-1.2%	-1.2%	-0.3%
Nikkei (Japan)*	28,765.66	1.9%	-0.1%	-0.1%	2.1%
Cac 40 (France)	7,237.19	0.7%	1.2%	1.2%	28.1%
Dax (Germany)	1,490.87	0.4%	0.8%	20.3%	13.1%
MSCI Emerging*	1,267.34	2.0%	2.9%	2.9%	-6.4%
MSCI Developed*	3,214.19	0.7%	-0.5%	-0.5%	17.5%
US Volatility Index	17.62	-4.3%	2.3%	2.3%	-24.5%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	15.31	-1.4%	-4.0%	-4.0%	0.5%
Rand/euro	17.51	-0.8%	-3.4%	-3.4%	-5.8%
Rand/pound	20.97	-0.9%	-2.7%	-2.7%	0.8%
Dollar/euro	1.14	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%	-6.3%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					5.5%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	20.14	0.1%	6.3%	6.3%	22.7%

Local update

Tech heavyweights Naspers and Prosus led the gains on the JSE on Wednesday, and European markets climbed as investors welcomed comments by the US Federal Reserve chair Jerome Powell. The JSE all share closed at a record high — gaining the most in more than a month — with miners and Sasol also pushing the index higher.

Retailer Steinhoff's share price has almost doubled in the past month as the company reached agreements with the last two claimants who were standing in the way of its final legal settlement, ending an onerous two-year legal process that threatened to sink the company. With claims that once topped R184bn almost out of the way, the question now is how much value does the debt-laden company — which owns about 50% in Pepkor, one of SA biggest retailers, has a 78% majority stake in European retailer Pepco and owns Mattress Firm in the US and Fantastic Furniture — hold?

Black-owned property investor, manager and developer, Akani Properties has acquired the Nicolway shopping centre in Sandton for R1.1bn on behalf of its client, the Municipal Employees Pension Fund (MEPF). The MEPF took registration of the property on December 15 following approval by competition authorities. The acquisition includes Nicolway's retail centre, the Decathlon Sport Hub retail component and Nicolway West offices.

The government is considering strengthening its Covid-19 strategy in an effort to increase the uptake of vaccinations and ease economic pressures resulting from the lockdowns to quell the spread of the Omicron virus. Health department officials told Business Day on Wednesday that government was looking at "alternatives" for the current requirement of international travellers presenting a negative PCR test result not older than 72 hours from the time of departure. This includes the use of Antigen tests, which are more affordable and deliver results within minutes.

Global update

Sydney — Australia's biggest casino operator, Crown Resorts, said on Thursday its board was likely to back an improved A\$8.87bn buyout proposal from US private equity firm Blackstone unless a higher offer emerged.

Amsterdam/London — The Dutch wing of environmental group Friends of the Earth, which won a landmark court victory against Royal Dutch Shell in 2021, is targeting 30 major corporate emitters in a campaign launched on Thursday.

 $^{^{\}star}$ Last available numbers used, as these numbers were not available