momentum investments





14 October 2020	Close price at 10/13/2020	Daily % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last year
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	55,054.53	-0.9%	1.5%	-3.6%	-0.9%
All-Share Index Total Return	8,566.54	-0.9%	1.5%	-1.1%	2.0%
Resources Index	30,995.80	-1.4%	1.4%	9.5%	20.3%
Industrials Index	79,484.18	0.0%	2.9%	5.9%	6.69
Financials Index	24,855.71	-2.4%	-2.4%	-36.8%	-37.79
Top 40 Index	50,722.36	-0.9%	1.4%	-0.2%	2.79
Shareholder Weighted Index	20,178.90	-0.9%	1.9%	-4.9%	-2.5%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	21,029.05	-1.3%	1.1%	-8.8%	-6.3%
SA Listed Property Index	973.98	-1.0%	-3.2%	-48.1%	-48.6%
SA Volatility Index	22.56	-2.4%	-9.5%	42.7%	41.89
Interest-bearing indices					
JSE Assa All Bond Index (Albi)	712.45	0.1%	0.2%	2.0%	2.9%
SteFI Composite Index	460.81	0.0%	0.1%	4.5%	6.1%
JSE Assa SA Government ILB Index	256.33	0.2%	0.9%	-0.6%	-1.69
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			-30.0%	-30.0%
Repo rate	3.50%			-46.2%	-46.29
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1,918.29	-0.4%	1.6%	25.8%	28.9%
Platinum price	869.28	-2.0%	-0.1%	-10.5%	-2.5%
Oil price	42.45	1.7%	0.4%	-35.8%	-30.0%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	28,679.81	-0.5%	3.2%	0.5%	6.9%
S&P 500 (US)	3,511.93	-0.6%	4.4%	8.7%	18.29
FTSE (UK)	3,350.92	-0.7%	2.1%	-20.1%	-16.19
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	23,459.05	-4.8%	0.0%	-16.8%	-10.19
Shanghai	3,218.05	-4.2%	0.0%	5.5%	10.8%
Nikkei (Japan)*	23,601.78	0.2%	1.8%	-0.2%	8.3%
Cac 40 (France)	4,947.61	-0.6%	3.0%	-17.2%	-12.79
Dax (Germany)	1,230.33	-0.8%	2.3%	-0.7%	6.0%
MSCI Emerging*	1,136.42	-0.1%	5.0%	2.0%	12.39
MSCI Developed*	2,464.18	-0.6%	4.1%	4.5%	13.19
US Volatility Index	26.07	4.0%	-1.1%	89.2%	67.3%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	16.48	0.2%	1.7%	-15.0%	-10.49
Rand/euro	19.36	0.7%	1.5%	-19.0%	-15.89
Rand/pound	21.32	1.2%	1.5%	-13.0%	-12.39
Dollar/euro	1.17	0.6%	-0.2%	-4.5%	-6.0%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					3.19
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	14.42	-0.7%	-7.0%	-34.0%	-26.3%

Local update

The JSE was lower on Tuesday in line with European markets as worries about the rising number of Covid-19 cases and the search for a vaccine weighed on sentiment. Fears about a resurgent virus put a lid on market gains on Tuesday as the number of new cases continues to rise in parts of Europe, fueling concern about more lockdown measures.

Cartrack, which provides fleet-management and stolenvehicle recovery services, has more than quadrupled its interim dividend after reporting that the Covid-19 pandemic failed to dull interest in its software. The group has opted for a R260m interim dividend for the six months to end-August, or 87c per share, up from 20c in the year-earlier period. Revenue grew 16% to R1.08bn, while the group added 13% more subscribers, bringing the number of subscibers to 1.17-million. Group profit rose almost 20% to R267.8m.

The Botswana branch of PwC and a leading partner are being sued for more than R650m by two shareholders of retailer Choppies who blame the firm's refusal to release its 2018 audit report for a collapse in the value of their shares. Choppies CEO Ramachandran Ottapathu and founding member Ismail Farouk filed papers in that country's high court asking for R653m.

Investment heavyweight PSG Group flagged a 20% drop in the value of its underlying assets, reflecting relatively weak equity markets in an economy that was trapped in one of its longest recessions in decades.PSG, which has grown rapidly from a small venture capitalist-style investment holding company in 1995 into a R11bn must-have in fund managers' portfolios, said the sum of its parts was likely to be R75.86 per share in the six months to the end of August compared with R94.44 a year earlier.

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Nicosa — Cyprus said on Tuesday it was suspending its citizenship for investment programme, ditching a scheme that the government acknowledged as open to abuse. London — The first study to investigate the case of a person in the US who contracted Covid-19 twice found reinfection can occur swiftly and the second bout of illness can be more severe.