

17 December 2020

	Close price at 2020-12-16	Daily % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last year
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	59 478.26	-0.1%	4.2%	4.2%	4.8%
All-Share Index Total Return	9 277.06	0.0%	4.4%	7.1%	7.8%
Resources Index	32 546.14	0.0%	7.6%	14.9%	14.9%
Industrials Index	83 804.33	-0.6%	0.2%	11.7%	13.9%
Financials Index	30 418.07	1.2%	8.4%	-22.7%	-23.5%
Top 40 Index	54 466.51	-0.1%	4.0%	7.2%	7.9%
Shareholder Weighted Index	21 793.66	0.0%	4.0%	2.7%	4.1%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	23 152.48	0.2%	5.3%	0.4%	1.2%
SA Listed Property Index	1 258.93	0.9%	16.4%	-32.9%	-33.0%
SA Volatility Index	19.21	2.3%	-6.2%	21.5%	4.3%
Interest-bearing indices					
FTSE/JSE All Bond Index (Albi)	755.24	0.3%	1.9%	8.1%	9.4%
SteFI Composite Index	463.84	0.0%	0.2%	5.2%	5.6%
FTSE/JSE Inflation-Linked Index	272.00	0.0%	3.8%	5.5%	5.9%
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			-30.0%	-30.0%
Repo rate	3.50%			-46.2%	-46.2%
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1 844.62	0.9%	3.8%	21.0%	25.0%
Platinum price	1 015.55	0.1%	5.8%	4.5%	9.6%
Oil price	50.76	0.9%	6.0%	-23.3%	-21.8%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	30 199.31	1.1%	1.9%	5.8%	7.3%
S&P 500 (US)	3 694.62	1.3%	2.0%	14.4%	16.6%
FTSE (UK)	3 673.28	-0.1%	3.7%	-12.5%	-10.3%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	26 207.29	-0.7%	-0.5%	-7.0%	-5.3%
Shanghai	3 367.23	-0.1%	-0.7%	10.4%	13.5%
Nikkei (Japan)*	26 687.84	-0.2%	1.0%	12.8%	11.1%
Cac 40 (France)	5 530.31	0.0%	0.2%	-7.5%	-6.6%
Dax (Germany)	1 260.82	1.1%	1.0%	1.8%	1.7%
MSCI Emerging*	1 250.21	0.0%	3.7%	12.2%	15.0%
MSCI Developed*	2 643.74	0.9%	2.3%	12.1%	14.0%
US Volatility Index	22.89	-7.4%	11.3%	66.1%	88.6%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	14.88	1.0%	3.9%	-5.9%	-2.4%
Rand/euro	18.09	0.9%	2.0%	-13.3%	-10.7%
Rand/pound	20.04	-0.1%	2.8%	-7.4%	-3.5%
Dollar/euro	1.22	-0.1%	-1.9%	-7.7%	-8.5%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					3.3%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	15.33	-0.9%	-1.5%	-29.8%	-29.4%

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

Global update

Los Angeles — The new deal between US film and television heavyweights HBO and Warner Brothers to release Hollywood movies for online streaming at the same time as in cinemas could threaten cinema groups such as SA's Ster Kinekor and NuMetro already ravaged by Covid-19 lockdowns.

San Francisco — Apple's effort to expand the manufacturing of its products in India ran into trouble after workers at a supplier's plant rioted over unpaid wages, with many arrested for violence and vandalism.

Local update

The JSE closed fractionally weaker on Tuesday as investors weighed positive vaccine news against the latest lockdown restrictions and delayed economic recovery. World stocks rose to record highs on Wednesday as drugmakers rolled out Covid-19 vaccines and US congressional leaders expressed optimism about a stimulus deal, with the upbeat mood dragging the safe-haven dollar to two-and-a-half-year lows.

Documents specialist Metrofile says it has received another acquisition offer, as plans for a buyout from a US private equity firm have stalled due to Covid-19. Metrofile — which provides services for the storage, retrieval and dissemination of documents, among other things — is in the middle of a takeover by US-based Housatonic Partners, which made an offer in the second half of 2019.

The race for solar power at mines is on with Pan African Resources hoping to be the first. Pan African, which has a combination of underground mines and large tailings retreatment projects, plans to have a 10MW array in place at its Evander site in Mpumalanga by August 2021.

After having another crack at mobile money in SA, network provider MTN says it now has 2.38-million customers on its fintech platform, and it is targeting more than fourfold growth. With declining voice revenues and data margins squeezed due to public pressure and regulations, mobile operators have been looking at other ways to create revenue streams. For MTN, which has about 270-million subscribers across Africa and the Middle East, fintech is one of its areas of focus.