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	Close price at 3/17/21	Daily % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last year
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	66,494.49	-1.2%	0.5%	11.9%	59.9%
All-Share Index Total Return	10,470.03	-0.8%	1.4%	13.0%	64.9%
Resources Index	38,648.10	-2.2%	-0.4%	16.8%	110.0%
Industrials Index	92,386.91	-0.3%	0.9%	11.7%	51.4%
Financials Index	31,434.29	-1.5%	1.7%	3.7%	18.4%
Top 40 Index	60,810.17	-1.3%	0.1%	11.8%	62.7%
Shareholder Weighted Index	24,532.43	-0.8%	2.6%	12.7%	58.5%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	26,147.36	-0.8%	3.9%	12.8%	58.6%
SA Listed Property Index	1,322.14	-1.3%	2.3%	7.5%	19.1%
SA Volatility Index	20.65	-2.9%	18.7%	12.0%	-51.8%
Interest-bearing indices					
FTSE/JSE All Bond Index	749.65	-0.7%	-2.0%	-1.2%	17.3%
StEi Composite Index	468.12	0.0%	0.2%	0.8%	4.7%
FTSE/JSE Inflation-Linked Index	278.03	0.0%	-0.3%	3.7%	15.4%
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			0.0%	-28.2%
Repo rate	3.50%			0.0%	-44.0%
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1,731.64	0.0%	-2.2%	-8.6%	16.6%
Platinum price	1,215.76	-0.1%	-0.3%	13.6%	83.6%
Oil price	68.00	-0.6%	5.6%	31.3%	136.7%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	33,015.37	0.6%	6.7%	7.9%	55.5%
S&P 500 (US)	3,974.12	0.3%	4.3%	5.8%	57.1%
FTSE (UK)	3,854.27	-0.7%	4.1%	4.9%	33.2%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	29,034.12	0.0%	0.2%	6.6%	24.8%
Shanghai	3,445.55	0.0%	-1.8%	-0.8%	24.0%
Nikkei (Japan)*	29,914.33	0.0%	3.3%	9.0%	75.8%
Cac 40 (France)	6,054.82	0.0%	6.2%	9.1%	51.7%
Dax (Germany)	1,377.99	0.2%	4.8%	11.2%	66.0%
MSCI Emerging*	1,342.80	-0.5%	0.3%	4.0%	62.4%
MSCI Developed*	2,826.79	0.1%	3.7%	5.1%	59.4%
US Volatility Index	19.23	-2.8%	-31.2%	-15.5%	-74.7%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	14.64	1.6%	3.3%	0.3%	13.3%
Rand/euro	17.54	0.9%	4.1%	2.4%	4.1%
Rand/pound	20.45	1.0%	3.1%	-1.8%	-2.1%
Dollar/euro	1.20	-0.6%	0.8%	2.0%	-8.2%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					3.2%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	18.72	0.7%	12.1%	18.8%	16.9%

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

Global update

London — Britain said on Thursday that there are lumps and bumps in the global vaccine supply chain causing slower deliveries than expected and scolded the EU for threatening to slap a ban on vaccine exports.

Washington — President Joe Biden is poised to meet his goal of delivering 100-million Covid-19 vaccine shots in his first 100 days in office as soon as Thursday, reaching the milestone more than a month ahead of time.

Local update

The JSE closed weaker amid mostly lower global markets as caution persisted ahead of the US Federal Reserve policy announcement. This was the fourth day of losses for the JSE, with Wednesday's fall the biggest in almost three weeks. All the major indices were under pressure on the day, with miners the biggest losers.

SA gold mining sector may see a large merger in the next year given the inexpensive valuations, according to a report by Nedbank. In his Gold Sector Industry Insight note considering the merger and acquisition possibilities involving SA's large gold miners and their international peers, Nedbank mining analyst Arnold van Graan argued that the best outcome would be the joining of AngloGold Ashanti and Gold Fields, which have large international portfolios.

The rampant illegal and illicit fuel trade in SA has spurred industry stakeholders to join forces to intervene in the spiralling problem, the department of mineral resources & energy said on Wednesday. Petroleum industry stakeholders, including the SA Revenue Service (SARS) and the SA Police Service, form part of an intervention to create a public policing forum that enforces the provisions of the Petroleum Products Act, the department said in a statement.

Food manufacturer Libstar is growing increasingly concerned about the rising costs of producing food, which indicates that food inflation is likely to hit consumers soon, even as wealthy customers are tightening their belts. The producer of Lancewood yoghurt, Robertson's baking powder and Denny mushrooms warned during its annual results presentation that its profit margins are under "tremendous pressure".