

19 August 2020

Close price at 8/18/2020 Daily % change Month to date Year to date Last year

FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	57,025.16	-0.7%	2.3%	-0.1%	5.8%
All-Share Index Total Return	8,802.74	-0.7%	2.3%	1.6%	9.4%
Resources Index	33,813.92	-1.9%	5.9%	19.4%	39.2%
Industrials Index	78,829.06	-0.5%	0.6%	5.1%	4.7%
Financials Index	25,894.86	1.5%	-0.5%	-34.2%	-30.1%
Top 40 Index	52,738.12	-0.8%	2.7%	3.8%	9.5%
Shareholder Weighted Index	20,476.34	-0.3%	0.6%	-3.5%	4.1%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	21,564.57	-0.3%	1.7%	-6.5%	1.8%
SA Listed Property Index	1,100.36	-1.0%	-3.0%	-41.4%	-41.2%
SA Volatility Index	21.87	-1.5%	-11.3%	38.3%	14.6%
Interest-bearing indices					
JSE Assa All Bond Index (Albi)	708.68	0.1%	0.5%	1.5%	5.0%
SteFI Composite Index	457.82	0.0%	0.2%	3.9%	6.6%
JSE Assa SA Government ILB Index	251.38	0.1%	1.1%	-2.5%	-3.3%
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			-30.0%	-30.0%
Repo rate	3.50%			-46.2%	-46.2%
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	2,006.31	2.6%	1.5%	31.6%	32.6%
Platinum price	965.24	1.1%	6.2%	-0.6%	14.1%
Oil price	45.46	0.2%	4.5%	-31.3%	-22.5%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	27,778.07	-0.2%	5.1%	-2.7%	7.3%
S&P 500 (US)	3,389.78	0.2%	3.6%	4.9%	17.3%
FTSE (UK)	3,387.25	-0.8%	3.2%	-19.3%	-13.0%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	25,367.38	0.1%	3.1%	-10.0%	-1.4%
Shanghai	3,451.09	0.4%	4.3%	13.1%	22.2%
Nikkei (Japan)*	23,051.08	-0.2%	6.2%	-2.6%	12.9%
Cac 40 (France)	4,938.06	-0.7%	3.2%	-17.4%	-6.8%
Dax (Germany)	1,207.57	-0.3%	4.9%	-2.5%	12.2%
MSCI Emerging*	1,104.96	0.5%	2.4%	-0.9%	13.9%
MSCI Developed*	2,399.37	0.2%	4.1%	1.7%	13.8%
US Volatility Index	21.51	0.7%	-12.1%	56.1%	1.6%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	17.32	1.1%	-1.5%	-19.2%	-11.7%
Rand/euro	20.67	0.5%	-2.7%	-24.1%	-17.9%
Rand/pound	22.94	0.0%	-2.6%	-19.1%	-19.0%
Dollar/euro	1.19	-0.5%	-1.3%	-6.0%	-7.0%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					2.2%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	16.31	2.3%	-1.4%	-25.3%	2.1%

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

Global update

Sydney/Melbourne — A new outbreak of infections in Australia's coronavirus hot zone of Victoria eased further on Wednesday, while the country agreed on a deal to secure a potential Covid-19 vaccine that it plans to roll out cost-free to citizens.

Beijing — A retired Chinese professor who called President Xi Jinping a "mafia boss" and the ruling Communist Party a "political zombie" has been disciplined, according to her former employer, the latest such critic to face punishment in recent months.

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Local update

The rand gained the most in a week on Tuesday as SA moved to level 2 of the coronavirus-enforced lockdown. The lockdown began on March 27 and despite having been eased in phases since, has had a devastating effect on the economy that saw many businesses close and millions of jobs lost.

Africa's largest mobile group, MTN, has appointed group CFO Ralph Mupita as group president and CEO with effect from September 1. Mupita has been MTN's group CFO since April 17, and is a former CEO of Old Mutual Emerging Markets. Mupita is likely to build on the steps taken by current boss Rob Shuter to break the company free from the perception that it has a limited growth outlook.

Anglo American Platinum has been approached by a group of investors backed by the Industrial Development Corporation (IDC) about buying Bokoni mine in Limpopo, moving the miner a step closer to getting rid of all unprofitable assets to focus on mechanised mines. Amplats, a division of Anglo American, has been pivoting away from labour-intensive shafts that have defined SA mining for years to more mechanised operations following an unprecedented five-month strike in 2014 that further undermined its commercial viability.

The department of public enterprises, the custodian of SA's state-owned companies, wants to increase the power of the minister over parastatal boards by giving him the authority to dissolve them and step in when things go wrong. State-owned companies have been plagued by governance problems, mismanagement, corruption and financial instability for more than a decade.