

20 October 2020

	Close price at 10/19/2020	Daily % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last year
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	55,161.03	0.2%	1.7%	-3.4%	-1.0%
All-Share Index Total Return	8,584.91	0.2%	1.7%	-0.9%	1.8%
Resources Index	31,152.90	0.1%	1.9%	10.0%	22.7%
Industrials Index	79,001.90	-0.5%	2.3%	5.3%	4.6%
Financials Index	25,308.28	2.6%	-0.7%	-35.7%	-37.0%
Top 40 Index	50,741.94	0.1%	1.4%	-0.1%	2.5%
Shareholder Weighted Index	20,278.57	0.4%	2.4%	-4.4%	-2.6%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	21,172.47	0.7%	1.8%	-8.2%	-6.2%
SA Listed Property Index	985.12	1.4%	-2.1%	-47.5%	-48.1%
SA Volatility Index	24.15	-1.2%	-3.1%	52.8%	49.2%
Interest-bearing indices					
JSE Assa All Bond Index (Albi)	718.12	0.4%	1.0%	2.8%	3.5%
SteFI Composite Index	461.11	0.0%	0.2%	4.6%	6.1%
JSE Assa SA Government ILB Index	257.08	0.1%	1.2%	-0.3%	-1.5%
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			-30.0%	-30.0%
Repo rate	3.50%			-46.2%	-46.2%
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1,909.48	0.6%	1.1%	25.3%	28.1%
Platinum price	870.22	0.7%	0.0%	-10.4%	-2.1%
Oil price	42.62	-0.7%	0.8%	-35.6%	-28.1%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	28,195.42	-1.4%	1.5%	-1.2%	5.3%
S&P 500 (US)	3,426.92	-1.6%	1.9%	6.1%	14.8%
FTSE (UK)	3,311.77	-0.4%	0.9%	-21.1%	-16.3%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	24,542.26	0.6%	4.6%	-12.9%	-8.1%
Shanghai	3,312.67	-0.7%	2.9%	8.6%	12.7%
Nikkei (Japan)*	23,671.13	1.1%	2.1%	0.1%	5.2%
Cac 40 (France)	4,929.27	-0.1%	2.6%	-17.5%	-12.5%
Dax (Germany)	1,216.99	-0.3%	1.2%	-1.8%	3.5%
MSCI Emerging*	1,127.28	0.3%	4.2%	1.1%	10.1%
MSCI Developed*	2,417.69	-0.9%	2.1%	2.5%	10.1%
US Volatility Index	29.18	6.5%	10.7%	111.8%	104.8%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	16.52	0.2%	1.4%	-15.3%	-10.6%
Rand/euro	19.44	-0.2%	1.0%	-19.3%	-15.2%
Rand/pound	21.39	0.0%	1.2%	-13.2%	-10.6%
Dollar/euro	1.18	-0.5%	-0.4%	-4.7%	-5.1%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					3.1%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	14.17	0.3%	-8.6%	-35.1%	-27.4%

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

Global update

Taipei — Chinese diplomats injured one of their Taiwanese counterparts during a scuffle in the South Pacific earlier in October, a senior Taiwanese official said, highlighting rising concerns over Beijing's aggressive "wolf warrior" diplomacy.

SpaceX founder Elon Musk is "80%-90% confident" that the company's huge new Starship rocket will reach orbit in 2021 and said there's a chance it will be ready for an uncrewed cargo mission to Mars in 2024.

Local update

The JSE closed firmer on Monday, with bank shares faring best as markets lift on investor optimism of a US stimulus deal being reached before elections there. House speaker Nancy Pelosi has said that a pre-election agreement on a stimulus deal remains possible, setting a Tuesday deadline for an agreement with the White House.

Standard Bank, SA's biggest lender by assets, says its loan book remained under strain in its third-quarter to end-September as retrenchment claims picked up, though initial indications are that credit collections have improved. In an update for the nine months to end-September, the group said customers remained under stress, resulting in an increase in non-performing loans and additional impairment charges. However, initial indications are that collections have improved relative to the second quarter, the group said in a regulatory filing published for the benefit of its largest shareholder, the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC).

Capitec has added share trading to its portfolio after entering into a partnership with low-cost investment platform EasyEquities. The move, which was announced on Friday, could be seen as a sign that Capitec wants to be able to satisfy the diverse requirements of more upper-income clients for broader financial services. The company has traditionally used no-frills bank accounts to attract budget-savvy low- to middle-class banking clients.

Retail group Pick n Pay has agreed to buy online delivery app Bottles, which launched as SA's first alcohol delivery app and has recently branched out into groceries. The acquisition is expected to be completed by November, Pick n Pay said. Details on the acquisition cost were not provided. Pick n Pay and other retailers have been grappling with a surge in online sales due to Covid-19, and its prior one-hour liquor delivery partnership with Bottles has recently been shifted into a same-day essential grocery service.

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