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	Close price at 8/23/2021	Daily % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last year
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	66,829.21	1.2%	-3.1%	12.5%	19.4%
All-Share Index Total Return	10,639.14	1.2%	-2.6%	14.8%	23.0%
Resources Index	38,173.85	2.6%	-6.0%	15.3%	18.1%
Industrials Index	89,539.20	0.1%	-5.2%	8.3%	14.3%
Financials Index	35,704.12	1.7%	8.9%	17.8%	37.1%
Top 40 Index	60,562.05	1.3%	-3.6%	11.4%	17.2%
Shareholder Weighted Index	24,123.84	1.0%	-1.9%	10.8%	18.8%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	26,975.13	1.5%	0.1%	16.3%	26.5%
SA Listed Property Index	1,524.53	0.4%	4.6%	24.0%	39.9%
SA Volatility Index	19.18	-6.3%	5.7%	4.0%	-17.4%
Interest-bearing indices					
FTSE/JSE All Bond Index	807.83	0.5%	0.5%	6.4%	13.6%
SteFI Composite Index	475.73	0.0%	0.2%	2.4%	3.9%
FTSE/JSE Inflation-Linked Index	291.66	0.1%	0.5%	8.8%	15.4%
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			0.0%	0.0%
Repo rate	3.50%			0.0%	0.0%
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1,801.09	1.2%	-1.5%	-4.9%	-7.1%
Platinum price	1,019.83	4.3%	-4.3%	-4.7%	11.7%
Oil price	68.75	5.5%	-8.8%	32.7%	55.0%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	35,335.71	0.6%	1.1%	15.5%	26.5%
S&P 500 (US)	4,479.53	0.9%	1.9%	19.3%	31.9%
FTSE (UK)	4,092.12	0.2%	1.5%	11.4%	22.1%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	25,109.59	1.0%	-3.3%	-7.8%	0.0%
Shanghai	3,477.13	1.5%	2.3%	0.1%	2.9%
Nikkei (Japan)*	27,494.24	1.8%	0.8%	0.2%	20.0%
Cac 40 (France)	6,683.10	0.9%	1.1%	20.4%	36.5%
Dax (Germany)	1,499.86	0.4%	2.0%	15.6%	25.2%
MSCI Emerging*	1,237.53	1.4%	-3.2%	-4.2%	13.3%
MSCI Developed*	3,112.57	1.1%	1.4%	15.7%	30.1%
US Volatility Index	17.15	-7.6%	-6.0%	-24.6%	-23.9%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	15.13	1.1%	-3.4%	-2.9%	13.4%
Rand/euro	17.77	0.7%	-2.4%	1.0%	13.9%
Rand/pound	20.75	0.4%	-2.2%	-3.2%	8.2%
Dollar/euro	1.17	-0.4%	1.0%	4.0%	0.4%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					4.6%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	19.57	1.5%	1.8%	24.2%	23.9%

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

Local update

Miners and resources led the gains on the JSE, while global markets were firmer as traders sought to take advantage of last week's sell-off. The all share broke a three-day losing streak on Monday after falling 4.86% last week when markets fretted over the spread of the Delta variant of Covid-19, talks of stimulus tapering in the US and further action by market regulators in China.

Africa's largest grocer, Shoprite, has signalled its exit from Uganda and Madagascar, adding to a list that already includes Nigeria and Kenya, as the group focuses increasingly on its better performing SA business. Shoprite has been trading in the rest of Africa since 1990, but has battled currency volatility and struggled in some markets, with the latest announcement concerning 10 stores in Madagascar, and five in Uganda.

Surging deaths due to Covid-19 are giving rise to a particularly grim crime with syndicates trading in bodies to make bogus death claims, according to the organisation representing the country's finance industry. The Association for Savings and Investment SA (Asisa), whose members look after about R6-trillion and include some of the country's largest life insurers, disclosed this as it released data showing a 12% jump in fraudulent and dishonest claims in 2020.

Finance minister Enoch Godongwana says Eskom's proposed green transaction looks possible at first glance, if the additional debt taken on remains within the envelope of existing government guarantees. Godongwana, who has been in the job for less than three weeks, said the proposal has not yet reached his desk or been explored in any detail by the Treasury, which would be required by lenders to guarantee debt raised through the facility.

Global update

The Covid-19 vaccine made by Pfizer and BioNTech was granted a full approval by US regulators, a milestone expected to help bolster the immunisation drive amid a renewed surge in infections.

Zimbabwe's government said on Tuesday it has received the equivalent of \$961m in Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) from the International Monetary Fund, part of \$650bn the IMF is distributing to its members.

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