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	Close price at 8/24/2021	Daily % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last year
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	67,451.54	0.9%	-2.2%	13.5%	19.1%
All-Share Index Total Return	10,738.21	0.9%	-1.7%	15.9%	22.6%
Resources Index	38,515.12	0.9%	-5.2%	16.4%	18.6%
Industrials Index	90,480.40	1.1%	-4.2%	9.4%	13.9%
Financials Index	36,000.64	0.8%	9.8%	18.8%	35.2%
Top 40 Index	61,180.29	1.0%	-2.7%	12.5%	17.1%
Shareholder Weighted Index	24,404.10	1.2%	-0.8%	12.1%	18.3%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	27,225.98	0.9%	1.0%	17.4%	25.7%
SA Listed Property Index	1,527.04	0.2%	4.8%	24.2%	37.4%
SA Volatility Index	19.21	0.2%	5.9%	4.2%	-19.8%
Interest-bearing indices					
FTSE/JSE All Bond Index	809.31	0.2%	0.7%	6.6%	14.3%
SteFI Composite Index	475.78	0.0%	0.2%	2.4%	3.8%
FTSE/JSE Inflation-Linked Index	291.78	0.0%	0.6%	8.9%	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	1,794.80	-0.3%	-1.8%	-5.2%	-7.8%
Platinum price	1,004.74	-1.5%	-5.7%	-6.1%	8.3%
Oil price	71.05	3.3%	-5.8%	37.2%	57.4%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	35,366.26	0.1%	1.2%	15.6%	24.9%
S&P 500 (US)	4,486.23	0.1%	2.1%	19.4%	30.7%
FTSE (UK)	4,104.84	0.3%	1.9%	11.7%	20.7%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	25,727.92	2.5%	-0.9%	-5.5%	0.7%
Shanghai	3,514.47	1.1%	3.4%	1.2%	3.8%
Nikkei (Japan)*	27,732.10	0.9%	1.6%	1.0%	20.7%
Cac 40 (France)	6,664.31	-0.3%	0.8%	20.0%	33.1%
Dax (Germany)	1,506.99	0.5%	2.5%	16.1%	23.3%
MSCI Emerging*	1,270.01	2.6%	-0.6%	-1.6%	14.6%
MSCI Developed*	3,122.00	0.3%	1.7%	16.1%	29.2%
US Volatility Index	17.22	0.4%	-5.6%	-24.3%	-23.0%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	15.00	0.9%	-2.5%	-2.0%	13.2%
Rand/euro	17.63	0.8%	-1.7%	1.8%	13.4%
Rand/pound	20.59	0.8%	-1.4%	-2.5%	7.7%
Dollar/euro	1.18	-0.1%	1.0%	3.9%	0.3%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					4.6%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	19.80	1.2%	3.0%	25.6%	20.1%

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

Global update

The heavy rains and floods that killed 220 people in Belgium and Germany this year were made more likely and more intense by climate change. These are the conclusions of a rapid attribution report put together by a group of 39 scientists collaborating under the World Weather Attribution (WWA) initiative.

US Vice-President Kamala Harris on Wednesday again charged China with bullying its Southeast Asian neighbours, the second time in two days she has attacked Beijing during a regional visit aimed at countering its growing influence.

Local update

The JSE tracked firmer global markets on Tuesday after the US gave full approval to Pfizer's Covid-19 vaccine, a milestone that is expected to help bolster the country's immunisation drive amid a renewed surge in infections driven by the Delta strain. Talk of US Federal Reserve Chair Jerome delivering a dovish statement on tapering its stimulus measures also bolstered sentiment.

Pharmacy group Dis-Chem said on Wednesday that the founding Saltzman family enjoyed strong demand in a partial share sale linked to a handover of management, raising R1.96bn. Dis-Chem said on Tuesday that its co-founder and outgoing CEO Ivan Saltzman would sell a stake of the 7.5% of the retail pharmacy held in an investment company to selected investors, with a further percentage to be sold to senior management, including his successor Rui Morais.

Local pharmaceutical manufacturer Adcock Ingram has opted to proceed with a R158m final payout to shareholders, expressing confidence in the diversity of its products as Covid-19 disrupts supply chains and shifts patterns of consumer demand. The group, valued at R7.9bn on the JSE and which counts Panado painkillers and the cold and flu product Corenza C among its brands, had to grapple with absence of an SA flu season in its year to end-June, when revenue rose 6% to R7.77bn, but profit fell 3% to R662m.

Massmart is looking to acquire the controlling stake in the privately owned outfit OneCart to beef up its digital solutions. Ecommerce has become the buzz term in SA since the Covid-19 pandemic struck about 17 months ago, forcing retailers to be agile in boosting sales amid the decline in foot traffic at physical stores. As recently as three weeks ago, Massmart announced that it was writing down the value of Game, one of its flagship retail chains, by about half-a-billion rand, indicating the fallout of the pandemic on sales.