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	Close price at 8/25/2021	Daily % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last year
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	67,452.86	0.0%	-2.2%	13.5%	20.2%
All-Share Index Total Return	10,742.28	0.0%	-1.7%	15.9%	23.8%
Resources Index	38,411.33	-0.3%	-5.4%	16.0%	21.3%
Industrials Index	90,628.02	0.2%	-4.0%	9.6%	14.0%
Financials Index	36,087.40	0.2%	10.1%	19.1%	35.8%
Top 40 Index	61,212.12	0.1%	-2.6%	12.6%	18.2%
Shareholder Weighted Index	24,407.87	0.0%	-0.8%	12.1%	19.0%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	27,176.55	-0.2%	0.8%	17.2%	26.6%
SA Listed Property Index	1,517.95	-0.6%	4.1%	23.5%	38.3%
SA Volatility Index	18.59	-3.2%	2.5%	0.8%	-17.3%
Interest-bearing indices					
FTSE/JSE All Bond Index	810.38	0.1%	0.9%	6.8%	14.0%
SteFI Composite Index	475.83	0.0%	0.3%	2.4%	3.8%
FTSE/JSE Inflation-Linked Index	291.93	0.1%	0.6%	8.9%	15.2%
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			0.0%	0.0%
Repo rate	3.50%			0.0%	0.0%
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1,802.97	0.5%	-1.4%	-4.8%	-6.8%
Platinum price	1,015.63	1.1%	-4.6%	-5.1%	9.4%
Oil price	72.25	1.7%	-4.2%	39.5%	57.5%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	35,388.77	0.1%	1.3%	15.6%	25.3%
S&P 500 (US)	4,496.19	0.2%	2.3%	19.7%	30.6%
FTSE (UK)	4,119.44	0.4%	2.2%	12.1%	22.3%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	25,693.95	-0.1%	-1.0%	-5.6%	0.8%
Shanghai	3,540.38	0.7%	4.2%	1.9%	4.9%
Nikkei (Japan)*	27,724.80	0.0%	1.6%	1.0%	19.0%
Cac 40 (France)	6,676.48	0.2%	1.0%	20.3%	33.3%
Dax (Germany)	1,502.92	-0.3%	2.2%	15.8%	22.9%
MSCI Emerging*	1,275.31	0.4%	-0.2%	-1.2%	14.4%
MSCI Developed*	3,125.83	0.1%	1.8%	16.2%	29.0%
US Volatility Index	16.79	-2.5%	-7.9%	-26.2%	-23.8%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	14.95	0.3%	-2.2%	-1.7%	12.6%
Rand/euro	17.60	0.2%	-1.5%	2.0%	13.2%
Rand/pound	20.58	0.0%	-1.3%	-2.4%	7.6%
Dollar/euro	1.18	-0.1%	0.8%	3.8%	0.5%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					4.6%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	19.71	-0.5%	2.5%	25.1%	20.0%

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

Local update

The JSE closed little changed on Wednesday as investors wait for US Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell's speech at the Jackson Hole symposium for any details on possible monetary policy changes. Central bankers are set to gather for the event on Thursday to discuss economic issues. The main focus for investors will be any firmer indication on whether or when they plan to rein in monetary stimulus.

Sibanye-Stillwater, the world's largest primary producer of platinum, will pay an interim dividend of R2.92 per share after reporting a record profit in the first half of its financial year on the back of strong precious metals prices. An improved operational performance paired with "considerably higher commodity prices", resulted in group profit for the half year through June more than doubling to R25.32m compared with R9.73m reported in the same period a year earlier, and surpassing the previous high of R20.89m in the second half of 2020, CEO Neal Froneman said in a statement.

SA's largest alcohol producer Distell has managed to bounce back to above pre-pandemic revenue levels in SA despite lockdowns and a series of alcohol bans, but it is holding on to dividends for its 2021 year, amid a potential takeover from Heineken. The producer of drinks, including Savanna cider and Klipdrift brandy, said on Thursday that headline earnings, a key measure of profit, grew 227% to R1.7bn in its year to end-June, with revenue in SA growing 5.8% compared with 2019, and 29.4% from 2020.

The SA Social Security Agency (Sassa) has made the first payments of the government's R26.7bn social relief of distress (SRD) grant and further disbursements to applicants are set to continue over the next few days. Applications for the R350 grant to assist the unemployed, most of whom lost their jobs when the Covid-19 pandemic struck in 2020, close at the end of March 2022. Applications for the programme opened on August 6 after the previous SRD grant ended in May.

Global update

Japan suspended the use of 1.63-million doses of Moderna's Covid-19 vaccine after receiving reports of foreign particles in the vials from several vaccination sites.

Shanghai/Beijing — China will tighten scrutiny over accounting firms in a fight against financial forgery, vowing "zero tolerance" towards misconduct, it said on Monday.