momentum investments



27 January 2021	Close price at 1/26/2021	Daily % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last year
FTSE/JSE indices	,				
All-Share Index	63,923.63	-1.0%	7.6%	7.6%	11.6%
All-Share Index Total Return	9,975.71	-1.0%	7.7%	7.7%	14.8%
Resources Index	35,710.53	-0.6%	7.9%	7.9%	28.1%
Industrials Index	92,024.11	-2.1%	11.3%	11.3%	18.7%
Financials Index	29,635.09	1.6%	-2.2%	-2.2%	-22.6%
Top 40 Index	58,720.55	-1.2%	8.0%	8.0%	14.7%
Shareholder Weighted Index	23,321.35	-1.3%	7.1%	7.1%	9.7%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	24,308.46	-0.4%	4.8%	4.8%	5.9%
SA Listed Property Index	1,202.25	1.7%	-2.2%	-2.2%	-34.3%
SA Volatility Index	17.69	4.4%	-4.1%	-4.1%	17.4%
Interest-bearing indices					
FTSE/JSE All Bond Index	763.93	0.2%	0.7%	0.7%	8.6%
SteFI Composite Index	465.79	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	5.2%
FTSE/JSE Inflation-Linked Index	272.59	0.3%	1.7%	1.7%	5.7%
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			0.0%	-28.2%
Repo rate	3.50%			0.0%	-44.0%
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1,854.01	0.2%	-2.1%	-2.1%	18.0%
Platinum price	1,089.69	-0.9%	1.8%	1.8%	8.4%
Oil price	55.91	0.1%	7.9%	7.9%	-7.8%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	30,937.04	-0.1%	1.1%	1.1%	6.7%
S&P 500 (US)	3,849.62	-0.1%	2.5%	2.5%	16.8%
FTSE (UK)	3,761.64	0.3%	2.4%	2.4%	-10.7%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	29,391.26	-2.5%	7.9%	7.9%	5.2%
Shanghai	3,569.43	-1.5%	2.8%	2.8%	19.9%
Nikkei (Japan)*	28,546.18	-1.0%	4.0%	20.7%	19.8%
Cac 40 (France)	5,523.52	0.9%	-0.5%	-0.5%	-8.3%
Dax (Germany)	1,324.15	1.2%	2.0%	6.9%	5.7%
MSCI Emerging*	1,388.76	-1.5%	7.6%	7.6%	24.1%
MSCI Developed*	2,754.12	-0.1%	2.4%	2.4%	15.0%
US Volatility Index	23.02	-0.7%	1.2%	1.2%	58.1%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	15.07	1.2%	-2.5%	-2.5%	-4.5%
Rand/euro	18.32	1.0%	-2.0%	-2.0%	-13.4%
Rand/pound	20.70	0.7%	-3.0%	-3.0%	-9.0%
Dollar/euro	1.22	-0.1%	0.5%	0.5%	-9.3%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					3.1%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	16.24 pers were not available	1.8%	3.0%	3.0%	-23.4%

Local update

The JSE closed weaker as concerns about potential roadblocks to the huge stimulus package proposed by US President Joe Biden's administration weighed on sentiment. After reaching a record high on Monday, predominantly on gains made by technology heavyweights Naspers and Prosus, both fell heavily on Tuesday amid signs that Biden's stimulus plans are far from a done deal.

LVMH weathered a new round of Covid-19 lockdowns thanks to the resilient appeal of its Louis Vuitton bags. Sales for its fashion and leather goods unit soared 18% on an organic basis in the fourth quarter, beating the 11% jump analysts expected. Shares in the luxury conglomerate rose as much as 2% in Paris on Wednesday, trading at the highest in two weeks. Demand from Chinese consumers, who have been spending at home with travel abroad virtually impossible, has helped LVMH withstand the effects of the pandemic. Revenue in Asia and Japan, respectively, rose 21% and 5% in the period, while Europe lagged behind with a drop of almost a quarter.

The government has launched a R1.2bn debt and grant financing facility to help quicken the transformation of the tourism sector. The tourism industry, which is regarded as a mainstay of the economy, accounts for an estimated 8.6% of GDP. It is one of the biggest casualties of Covid-19 lockdown, resulting in hundreds of company closures as business owners struggle to find financial support to cushion them from the pandemic...

Vinpro, an organisation that represents more than 2,000 wine farmers and wine producers, is taking the government to court to ask that the alcohol ban be lifted in the Western Cape. It wants the ban to be lifted with immediate effect by the court in its hearing on February 5. It joins the largest beer brewer in the country, SA Breweries, which has also taken the government to court to have the ban removed.

Global update

London — The death toll in Britain from the coronavirus pandemic passed 100,000 people on Tuesday as the government battled to speed up vaccination delivery and keep variants of the virus at bay.

Kuala Lumpur — Cocoa processors in Asia are only expecting a tepid revival in demand this year as the coronavirus pandemic keeps roiling travel and consumer spending across the world.

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