momentum investments



For the week ending

31 July 2020	Close price at 31-Jul-2020	Weekly % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last 12 months
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	55,721.81	0.1%	2.5%	-2.4%	-1.9%
All-Share Index Total Return	8,601.49	0.1%	2.6%	-0.7%	1.6%
Resources Index	31,925.28	0.1%	9.0%	12.7%	23.9%
Industrials Index	78,371.43	0.8%	-1.4%	4.4%	-0.5%
Financials Index	26,036.91	-1.4%	0.4%	-33.8%	-33.9%
Top 40 Index	51,368.82	0.2%	2.4%	1.1%	1.1%
Shareholder Weighted Index	20,350.57	0.0%	2.4%	-4.1%	-1.7%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	21,208.42	-0.4%	3.0%	-8.0%	-5.1%
SA Listed Property Index	1,134.62	-2.8%	-3.2%	-39.5%	-41.2%
SA Volatility Index	24.67	9.8%	0.4%	56.0%	50.8%
Interest-bearing indices					
JSE Assa All Bond Index (Albi)	705.28	-0.3%	0.6%	1.0%	4.2%
SteFI Composite Index	456.78	0.1%	0.4%	3.6%	6.7%
JSE Assa SA Government ILB Index	248.63	0.1%	-1.2%	-3.6%	-4.4%
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			-30.0%	-30.0%
Repo rate	3.50%			-46.2%	-46.2%
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1,976.28	4.1%	11.5%	29.6%	38.1%
Platinum price	908.50	-0.2%	11.9%	-6.5%	4.1%
Oil price	43.52	0.4%	5.5%	-34.2%	-32.3%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	26,428.32	-0.2%	2.4%	-7.4%	-1.6%
S&P 500 (US)	3,271.12	1.7%	5.5%	1.2%	9.8%
FTSE (UK)	3,282.02	-3.3%	-3.8%	-21.8%	-20.6%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	24,595.35	-0.4%	0.7%	-12.8%	-11.5%
Shanghai	3,310.01	3.5%	10.9%	8.5%	12.9%
Nikkei (Japan)	21,710.00	-4.6%	-2.6%	-8.2%	0.9%
Cac 40 (France)	4,783.69	-3.5%	-3.1%	-20.0%	-13.3%
Dax (Germany)	1,151.65	-3.9%	-0.3%	-7.0%	1.4%
MSCI Emerging	1,078.92	1.7%	8.4%	-3.2%	4.0%
MSCI Developed	2,304.98	0.6%	4.7%	-2.3%	5.4%
US Volatility Index	24.46	-5.3%	-19.6%	77.5%	75.5%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	17.06	-2.2%	1.7%	-17.9%	-15.9%
Rand/euro	20.11	-3.6%	-3.0%	-22.0%	-21.0%
Rand/pound	22.34	-4.5%	-3.6%	-16.9%	-21.9%
Dollar/euro	1.18	-1.3%	-4.6%	-4.8%	-6.0%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					2.1%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	16.54	-5.5%	-6.1%	-24.3%	-2.4%

Local update

The rand fell to its worst level in three weeks on Friday, breaking above R17/\$, as a rise in Covid-19 infections in a number of countries across the globe threatens economic recovery. The effects of the Covid-19 pandemic have been evident in recent economic data, with US GDP for the second quarter dropping the most in several decades, data showed on Thursday; while numbers released on Friday showed that Spain's economy shrank the most so far in Europe.

The share of Shoprite, the owner of Checkers and Usave stores, was on track for its best day in more than four months on Monday, after saying it gained market share during the lockdown as sales grew despite a reduction in traffic at its stores. Group sales rose 6.4% to about R156.9bn in the 52 weeks to June 28, the group said in a trading update, with customer visits declining 7.4%, while average basket spend increased 18.4%. Market share figures, which are only available up to end-May, reflect consecutive monthly market share gains for the past 15 months, Shoprite's trading update reads.

Piling pressure on MTN to name a successor and leaving the SA company in the middle of executing a new growth blueprint, CEO Rob Shuter has revealed his next destination. Shuter, who was drafted in four years ago to also contain the operational fallout from MTN's clashes with regulators, will take over as head of the enterprise unit of UK-based telecoms giant British Telecom when he steps down at MTN in March 2021.

Motor companies are recalling millions of vehicles around the world to repair manufacturing and design flaws. On SA's roads, hundreds of thousands of vehicles may contain airbags that could explode in an accident, firing metal shards through the cabin. A report in August revealed that, globally, more than 13-million cars have been recalled so far in 2020. Problems range from the mundane, such as loose interior brand badges and hard-to-reach seat belt straps, to the potentially lethal, such as disconnected steering wheels, passenger doors prone to flying open at high speed, and brake pedals that fall off.

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

Global update

Manila — The Philippines will put its capital Manila back on a stricter lockdown starting Tuesday as coronavirus cases surged more than fivefold after easing its curbs in June.

Oslo — At least 40 passengers and crew from a luxury cruise liner have tested positive for Covid-19 and the authorities are still trying to trace a number of passengers from two recent Arctic voyages, public health officials in Norway said on Sunday.

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