momentum



For the week ending

| 11 April 2020 | Close price at 11-Apr-2020 | Weekly % change | Month to date | Year to date | Last 12 months |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| FTSE/JSE indices | | | | | |
| All-Share Index | 48,011.56 | 7.7% | 7.9% | -15.9% | -17.0% |
| All-Share Index Total Return | 7,379.87 | 7.6% | 8.4% | -14.8% | -13.8% |
| Resources Index | 23,408.63 | 11.0% | 12.7% | -17.3% | -15.1% |
| Industrials Index | 71,378.14 | 3.9% | 4.4% | -4.9% | -6.7% |
| Financials Index | 26,077.24 | 12.5% | 9.9% | -33.7% | -37.7% |
| Top 40 Index | 43,837.45 | 7.3% | 7.6% | -13.7% | -15.0% |
| Shareholder Weighted Index | 17,686.17 | 8.0% | 8.6% | -16.7% | -16.8% |
| Capped Shareholder Weighted Index | 18,622.84 | 9.2% | 10.0% | -19.2% | -19.3% |
| SA Listed Property Index | 1,110.51 | 19.5% | 14.1% | -40.8% | -41.2% |
| SA Volatility Index | 31.54 | -17.7% | -16.8% | 99.5% | 83.9% |
| Interest-bearing indices | | | | | |
| JSE Assa All Bond Index (Albi) | 644.11 | 3.7% | 1.0% | -7.8% | -3.1% |
| SteFI Composite Index | 449.02 | 0.1% | 0.2% | 1.9% | 7.2% |
| JSE Assa SA Government ILB Index | 251.30 | 1.5% | 4.6% | -2.6% | -1.0% |
| Interest rates | | | | | |
| Prime rate | 8.75% | | | -12.5% | -14.6% |
| Repo rate | 5.25% | | | -19.2% | -22.2% |
| Commodities (in US dollars) | | | | | |
| Gold price | 1,658.63 | 2.7% | 2.7% | 8.8% | 27.5% |
| Platinum price | 737.75 | 1.8% | 1.7% | -24.1% | -18.1% |
| Oil price | 31.48 | -7.7% | 19.5% | -52.4% | -55.5% |
| Global indices (in base currency) | | | | | |
| Dow Jones (US) | 23,719.37 | 12.7% | 8.2% | -16.9% | -9.3% |
| S&P 500 (US) | 2,789.82 | 12.1% | 7.9% | -13.6% | -3.1% |
| FTSE (UK) | 3,233.24 | 9.3% | 4.0% | -23.0% | -20.3% |
| Hang Seng (Hong Kong) | 24,300.33 | 4.6% | 3.0% | -13.8% | -19.4% |
| Shanghai | 2,825.90 | 2.2% | 2.7% | -7.4% | -12.8% |
| Nikkei (Japan) | 19,345.77 | 8.6% | 2.3% | -18.2% | -11.3% |
| Cac 40 (France) | 4,506.85 | 8.5% | 2.5% | -24.6% | -17.1% |
| Dax (Germany) | 986.36 | 10.4% | 6.4% | -20.4% | -11.3% |
| MSCI Emerging | 887.58 | 6.7% | 4.6% | -20.4% | -18.8% |
| MSCI Developed | 1,970.67 | 10.9% | 6.4% | -16.4% | -8.0% |
| US Volatility Index | 41.17 | -12.0% | -23.1% | 198.8% | 188.3% |
| Exchange rates | | | | | |
| Rand/US dollar | 18.02 | -5.3% | 0.9% | 28.7% | 27.9% |
| Rand/euro | 19.69 | -4.1% | -0.1% | 25.5% | 24.1% |
| Rand/pound | 22.47 | -3.9% | 1.5% | 21.1% | 22.2% |
| Dollar/euro | 1.09 | 1.1% | -1.0% | -2.5% | -3.0% |
| Inflation indicator | | | | | |
| CPI | | | | | 4.6% |
| Group indicator | | | | | |
| Momentum Metropolitan Holdings | 16.01 | 0.4% | 2.7% | -26.7% | -6.4% |
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Local update

The JSE closed firmer on Thursday, ahead of the long weekend, as investor sentiment improved on hopes that the coronavirus pandemic is nearing its peak. Some European countries are preparing to ease regulations related to helping curb the spread of Covid-19, though uncertainty over the economic effects the virus has had, and the chance of a second wave of infections, persists.

SA's largest estate agencies are reporting mixed results in terms of house sales as the Covid-19 pandemic grips the SA economy. Lew Geffen Sotheby's International Realty chair, Lew Geffen, says international buyers are using Covid-19's effects to their advantage as luxury and higher-priced home sellers have been willing to accept discounts on asking prices over the past few weeks. A weaker rand has also made SA residential property more attractive to foreign buyers. The economic effect of the worsening virus outbreak has put the rand at risk of reaching R2O/\$.

Technology group EOH is on track to halve its debt, which is more than four times its current market value, by February 2021, finance chief Megan Pydigadu said in an interview. The troubled company is cleaning up its image after previous allegations of underhand dealings with the government, forcing the company into taking billions of rand in writedowns and losing nearly R1bn.

National Energy Regulator of SA (Nersa) CEO Chris Forlee has been suspended pending an investigation. The suspension was confirmed on Monday by Nersa spokesperson Charles Hlebela, who said Forlee was placed on precautionary suspension by mineral resources & energy minister Gwede Mantashe after an investigation by the Nersa board into allegations of impropriety. Executive head of corporate affairs Nomalanga Sithole has been appointed as acting CEO.

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

Global update

London — Britain's finance minister has told colleagues the economy could shrink by up to 30% this quarter because of the coronavirus lockdown, a newspaper reported, as the soaring death toll gave little hope restrictions would soon be lifted.

Washington — The coronavirus outbreak could reach its peak in the US this week, a top US health official said on Monday as more signs of stabilisation emerged, but political leaders said a reopening of the economy may hinge on more widespread testing.

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