

29 March 2021

	Close price at 26-Mar-2021	Weekly % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last 12 months
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	66,833.99	1.4%	1.1%	12.5%	48.4%
All-Share Index Total Return	10,531.60	1.5%	2.0%	13.6%	52.8%
Resources Index	38,818.04	1.9%	0.0%	17.3%	86.2%
Industrials Index	93,660.88	1.5%	2.2%	13.3%	37.0%
Financials Index	30,955.85	0.4%	0.2%	2.2%	23.3%
Top 40 Index	61,244.27	1.5%	0.8%	12.6%	49.0%
Shareholder Weighted Index	24,699.36	1.2%	3.3%	13.4%	48.9%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	26,153.82	1.1%	3.9%	12.8%	51.3%
SA Listed Property Index	1,291.75	-0.6%	-0.1%	5.1%	27.5%
SA Volatility Index	22.74	-25.0%	30.7%	23.3%	-52.6%
Interest-bearing indices					
FTSE/JSE All Bond Index (Albi)	743.69	-0.4%	-2.8%	-2.0%	19.8%
StefI Composite Index	468.54	0.1%	0.3%	0.9%	4.6%
FTSE/JSE Inflation-Linked Index	280.86	0.9%	0.7%	4.8%	32.4%
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			0.0%	-20.0%
Repo rate	3.50%			0.0%	-33.3%
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1,726.64	-0.6%	-2.5%	-8.8%	7.5%
Platinum price	1,150.50	-5.0%	-5.6%	7.5%	59.9%
Oil price	64.57	0.1%	0.2%	24.7%	145.1%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	33,072.88	1.4%	6.9%	8.1%	46.7%
S&P 500 (US)	3,974.54	1.6%	4.3%	5.8%	51.1%
FTSE (UK)	3,842.23	0.5%	3.8%	4.6%	20.8%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	28,336.43	-2.3%	-2.2%	4.1%	21.3%
Shanghai	3,418.33	0.4%	-2.6%	-1.6%	23.6%
Nikkei (Japan)	29,176.70	-2.1%	0.7%	6.3%	56.3%
Cac 40 (France)	5,988.81	-0.2%	5.0%	7.9%	31.8%
Dax (Germany)	1,384.33	0.4%	5.3%	6.7%	48.1%
MSCI Emerging	1,307.48	-2.2%	-2.4%	1.3%	53.6%
MSCI Developed	2,814.86	0.7%	3.2%	4.6%	50.1%
US Volatility Index	18.86	-10.0%	-32.5%	-17.1%	-69.1%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	14.95	-1.4%	1.2%	-1.7%	15.8%
Rand/euro	17.65	-0.8%	3.5%	1.7%	8.3%
Rand/pound	20.66	-1.0%	2.0%	-2.8%	2.4%
Dollar/euro	1.18	0.9%	2.4%	3.6%	-6.5%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					2.9%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	17.63	-1.1%	5.6%	11.9%	-2.3%

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

Local update

The JSE tracked firmer global markets as better-than-expected economic data lifted sentiment, which has been dragged down in the past few days by concerns over new lockdown restrictions amid rising Covid-19 infections in parts of the world. The local bourse broke a four-day losing streak on Friday, jumping the most since June 17 2020, when it gained more than 3% in anticipation of President Cyril Ramaphosa easing certain lockdown restrictions.

Salesforce, the world's largest customer relationship management software company, is expected to add more than 5,000 jobs to the SA economy through its local network in the next five years, according to market intelligence firm IDC. Salesforce specialises in cloud computing and customer relationship management programs for businesses. Valued at \$193bn (R2.99-trillion), Salesforce is one of Silicon Valley's largest players.

The half-year headline earnings of investment holding company Rex Trueform, owner of the Queenspark fashion retailer, plummeted more than 80% as its clothing stores made a loss. The company owns 78 Queenspark stores, properties in Salt River, Cape Town, and holds a stake in SA Water Works Holding Company, a public-private partnership, which resulted from a move to diversify the apparel business in 2019.

The boss of the local arm of one of the world's largest banks expects to see increased levels of corporate activity such as M&A in the year ahead as "well-positioned" local companies bounce back from the pandemic. "We expect it to be a reasonably busy year from an investment banking perspective," said Bank of America's SA country executive, Richard Gush.

Global update

London — Royal Dutch Shell has proposed linking its directors' pay more closely to the group's climate performance and severing the link between bonuses and liquefied natural gas (LNG) production volumes, it said on Monday.

Bengaluru — Visa said on Monday it will allow the use of the cryptocurrency USD coin (USDC) to settle transactions on its payment network, the latest sign of growing acceptance of digital currencies by the mainstream financial industry.