

Overview

Regional Markets: MENA markets continued to drift lower as six out of the eight indexes ended in red, while only two managed to close in green during the session. The correction was widely anticipated in global equities as sellers have taken control on the markets, while buyers have literally stayed away in the global sell-off. The rise in volatility during the past few trading sessions is indicating that markets are under significant pressure, which is resulting in investors moving out of equities to safe havens to minimize the overall risk of the portfolio. For the regional markets, Qatar was the worst performer for the second consecutive sessions as the index was down by 1.4% for the day, extending the losses to 4.0% during the week. UAE markets also ended the session on the losing side, however the losses are relatively marginal compared to other regional peers. Dubai and Abu Dhabi were both down by 0.2% and 0.1% respectively for the day, extending the losses to 1.0% and 0.7% respectively in the past two sessions. Saudi Arabia was down by 0.3% for the day, after losing 0.6% in the previous session. Kuwait and Egypt were the only two indexes that managed to remain in green as both were up by 0.6% each for the day. The day's performance in Kuwait helped the broader index to turn positive for the week, despite the negative sentiments seen in the regional markets. However, Egypt managed to recover some of the losses incurred during the previous session, but the trend continues to remain bearish for now. Bahrain and Oman were both down by 0.8% and 0.1% respectively, succumbed to the pressure seen during the session.

International Markets: US markets witnessed steep losses for the second consecutive sessions as DJIA, Nasdaq and S&P were all down by 4.6%, 3.8% and 4.1% respectively for the day. European markets closed on a negative note as FTSE, DAX and CAC were down by 1.5%, 0.8% and 1.5% respectively for the day. At the time of writing this report, Asian markets have opened gap down as Nikkei, Hang Seng and Shanghai are down by 6.9%, 4.9% and 2.2% respectively.

Headlines

(WW) A decade after recession, a jump in US states with wage gains
 (WW) China seen posting solid January trade growth, inflation to moderate
 (WW) China's service sector grows at fastest pace in nearly 6 years in January
 (WW) UK rents rise at slowest pace since 2013 as Brexit vote weighs
 (WW) UK car sales slump around 6% in January
 (WW) UK services slowdown takes shine off economic optimism
 (WW) Abe hopes BOJ to keep 'bold' monetary easing, Japan not out of deflation
 (WW) RBI seen holding rates, talking tough on inflation
 (CMD) Oil prices fall amid market sell off, Brent near 1-month low
 (CMD) Gold edges down on rate hike views after strong US jobs data
 (FX) Dollar steadies as US payrolls fuel inflation expectations, send bond yields up
 (FX) Sterling soars again after reaching post-Brexit high during January
 (FI) Indian bond yields rise further tracking US peers; RBI in focus

(GCC) Saudi, Egypt to issue power link tender in March
 (SA) Saudi business confidence reaches 8-month high
 (SA) VAT impact blamed as Saudi's non-oil economy growth slows
 (SA) Saudi hospitality sector to grow 13.5% per annum to 2022
 (AE) Costs rise at sharpest pace for UAE's private sector businesses
 (AE) UAE outsourcing sector revenue hits USD 877mn in 2017
 (EG) Egypt's non-oil sector growth stabilises in January
 (EG) Egypt's economy to keep growth trajectory alive
 (EG) Egypt to achieve gas self-sufficiency by end of 2018
 (QA) Businesses upbeat on Qatari economy despite siege
 (KW) Kuwait spending on housing aims to trigger hike in real estate demand
 (OM) REIT funds to boost Oman's real estate sector
 (Source: Thomson Reuters, Bloomberg)

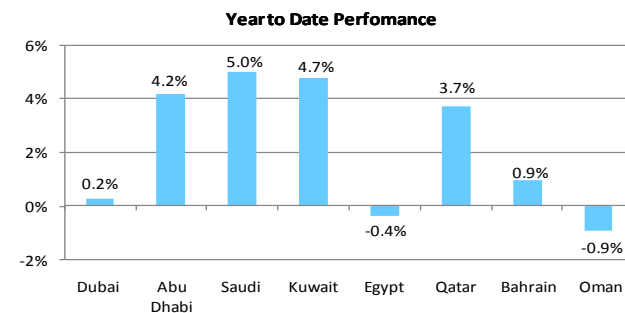
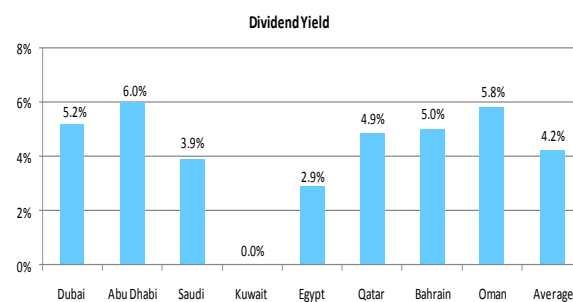
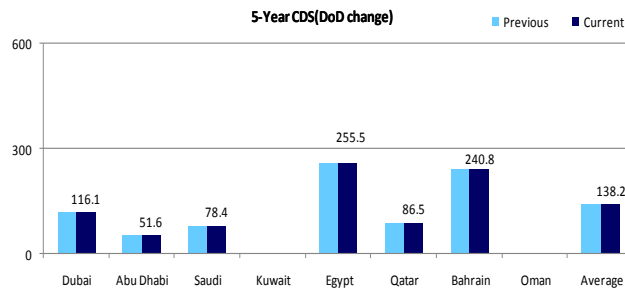
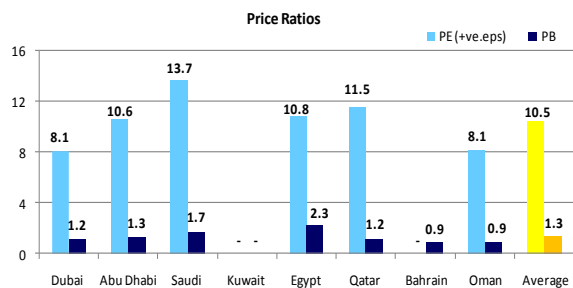
MENA Markets

Index	Last	DoD (%)	WTD (%)	MTD (%)	YTD (%)	ST Trend *	MT Trend *	LT Trend *
Dubai (DFMGI)	3,378.14	-0.2%	-1.0%	-0.5%	0.2%	▼	▼	▼
Abu Dhabi (ADSMI)	4,581.94	-0.1%	-0.7%	-0.4%	4.2%	▲	▲	▼
Saudi (SASEIDX)	7,587.39	-0.3%	-0.9%	-0.8%	5.0%	▲	▲	▲
Kuwait (KWSE)	6,712.21	0.6%	0.4%	0.4%	4.7%	▲	▲	▼
Egypt (EGX30)	14,962.14	0.6%	-0.8%	-0.5%	-0.4%	▼	▲	▲
Qatar (DSM)	8,837.65	-1.4%	-4.0%	-4.0%	3.7%	▲	▲	▼
Bahrain (BHSEIDX)	1,344.31	-0.8%	-1.0%	-0.5%	0.9%	▲	▲	▼
Oman (MSM30)	5,051.37	-0.1%	0.3%	1.0%	-0.9%	▼	▼	▼

MENA Market Statistics

Index	Volume (mln)	3M Avg. Volume (mln)	6M Avg. Volume (mln)	Value (USD mln)	3M Avg. Value (USD mln)	6M Avg. Value (USD mln)	Market Cap (USD mln)
Dubai (DFMGI)	171	260	235	68	116	98	85,962
Abu Dhabi (ADSMI)	35	78	89	27	38	43	134,028
Saudi (SASEIDX)	229	201	168	1,215	989	875	473,006
Kuwait (KWSE)	89	88	96	37	49	60	75,578
Egypt (EGX30)	240	288	330	84	85	75	26,797
Qatar (DSM)	10	11	9	75	84	68	101,943
Bahrain (BHSEIDX)	6	6	5	3	2	2	22,324
Oman (MSM30)	22	16	17	11	12	10	14,168

Valuation and Performance Comparisons



Top Performers by Country (* indicates native currency; Latest data)

	Top Gainers					Top Losers				
	Company	Close *	DoD %	Volume ('000)	Value (AED '000)	Company	Close *	DoD %	Volume ('000)	Value (AED '000)
Dubai	TAKAFUL EMARAT INSURANCE PJSC	1.94	6.59%	0	28	GULF NAVIGATION HOLDING PJSC	1.01	-2.88%	0	2,079
	ARABTEC HOLDING PJSC	2.76	1.85%	0	21,811	AL SALAM BANK SUDAN PLC	1.77	-2.75%	0	22
	SHUAA CAPITAL PSC	1.15	1.77%	1,018	1,160	DUBAI ISLAMIC INSURANCE & REINS	0.80	-2.44%	1,114	902
	DUBAI INVESTMENTS PJSC	2.44	1.67%	2,655	6,426	UNION PROPERTIES PJSC	0.95	-2.38%	21,645	20,704
	AMLAK FINANCE PJSC	1.01	1.00%	2,969	2,984	EMIRATES NBD BANK PJSC	8.70	-2.25%	1,117	9,832
Abu Dhabi	COMMERCIAL BANK INTERNATIONAL	1.15	15.00%	9	10	NATIONAL BANK OF UMM AL QAIWAI	2.80	-6.35%	29	83
	AL QUDRA HOLDING PJSC	1.25	13.64%	1,500	1,763	ABU DHABI AVIATION	2.90	-3.33%	147	433
	UNITED ARAB BANK PJSC	1.73	13.07%	10	16	METHAQ TAKAFUL INSURANCE CO	0.86	-2.27%	3,283	2,856
	AGTHIA GROUP PJSC	4.30	4.37%	527	2,219	ABU DHABI NATIONAL FOR BUILDING	0.55	-1.79%	417	231
	ABU DHABI NATIONAL HOTELS CO	2.86	4.00%	28	77	ABU DHABI NATIONAL ENERGY CO	0.55	-1.79%	12	7
Saudi Arabia	AL KATHIRI HOLDING CO	26.30	19.65%	54	1,311	MEDITERRANEAN AND GULF CO-OP	20.20	-9.42%	1,313	27,896
	RABIGH REFINING AND PETROCHEMIC	22.02	9.77%	13,413	282,201	MOUWASAT MEDICAL SERVICES CO	171.80	-4.87%	41	7,274
	ARAB SEA INFORMATION SYSTEMS CO	12.32	6.21%	32	381	SAUDI RESEARCH AND MARKETING	71.10	-4.56%	1,020	74,269
	ETIHAD ETISALAT CO SJSC	16.30	6.12%	4,631	73,301	SAUDI PRINTING AND PACKAGING CO	19.98	-4.13%	2,857	58,303
	AL SAMAANI FACTORY METAL INDUST	77.90	5.27%	2	185	KINGDOM HOLDING CO	9.51	-3.35%	582	5,632
Kuwait	REAL ESTATE ASSET MANAGEMENT	1000.00	17.65%	0	0	METAL AND RECYCLING CO KSCP	59.00	-15.59%	417	27
	OSOS HOLDING GROUP CO KSCP	101.00	15.03%	965	91	UNICAP INVESTMENT AND FINANCE	41.00	-12.77%	3	0
	AUTOMATED SYSTEMS CO KPSC	170.00	11.84%	10	2	KUWAIT SYRIAN HOLDING CO KSC	27.50	-11.86%	513	15
	ENERGY HOUSE HOLDING COMPANY	30.00	9.89%	1	0	AL MUDON INTERNATIONAL REAL EST	37.00	-7.50%	1	0
	KUWAIT FOUNDRY COMPANY KPSC	239.00	7.66%	10	2	EKTITAB HOLDING CO KSCP	31.50	-7.35%	468	15
Egypt	NATIONAL COMPANY FOR HOUSING	26.88	9.98%	0	31	EXTRACTED OIL AND DERIVATIVES CO	2.07	-4.17%	5,721	12,100
	ARAB MOLTAQA INVESTMENTS CO	24.18	9.41%	65	1,500	MOHANDES INSURANCE CO SAE	15.47	-3.43%	3	45
	MISR NATIONAL STEEL SAE	20.36	9.11%	3	68	ALEXANDRIA CO FOR PHARMACEUTIC	124.48	-3.17%	10	1,310
	INTERNATIONAL CO FOR AGRICULTUR	2.99	8.73%	1,916	5,500	DICE SPORT AND CASUAL WEAR SAE	24.02	-3.03%	220	5,370
	EL AHRAH CO FOR PRINTING AND PAC	5.79	8.22%	390	2,171	MODERN WATERPROOFING CO SAE	0.73	-2.67%	47	35
Qatar	QATAR ISLAMIC BANK QPSC	100.45	3.44%	475	46,912	SALAM INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT	6.30	-10.00%	325	2,164
	QATARI GERMAN COMPANY FOR MED	6.14	2.33%	3	20	QATAR FIRST BANK LLC	6.35	-6.89%	1,728	11,382
	QATAR INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURING	43.99	2.30%	7	309	INVESTMENT HOLDING GROUP	5.79	-4.46%	704	4,174
	AL MEERA CONSUMER GOODS CO	152.00	1.67%	39	5,845	EZDAN HOLDING GROUP QSC	10.34	-4.44%	586	6,205
	WIDAM FOOD CO QSC	70.50	1.44%	31	2,163	QATARI INVESTORS GROUP QSC	30.20	-4.40%	195	6,039

Top 30 MENA Stocks by Market Capitalization (* indicates native currency; Latest data)

	Company Name	Country	Market Cap (USD mln)	Close *	DoD %	YTD %	Volume ('000)	Value (USD '000)	52w High *	52w Low *	P/E	P/B	Div. Yield (T12M)
1	Saudi Basic Industries Corporation SJSC	SA	84,478	105.60	-0.4%	3.7%	6,192	174,356	109.00	94.25	17	1.9	4.0%
2	Emirates Telecommunications Group Co	AE	41,440	17.50	0.0%	0.0%	954	4,544	18.85	15.75	17	3.6	4.6%
3	Saudi Telecom Company SJSC	SA	39,306	73.70	-0.1%	7.4%	279	5,489	78.90	64.50	14	2.4	5.4%
4	First Abu Dhabi Bank PJSC	AE	33,382	11.25	-0.4%	9.8%	1,082	3,313	11.55	9.72	12	1.2	6.2%
5	Qatar National Bank QPSC	QA	32,983	130.00	-3.0%	3.2%	195	6,979	157.10	115.01	9	1.5	4.6%
6	Al Rajhi Banking & Investment Corp Ltd	SA	32,152	74.20	-0.7%	14.9%	2,606	51,563	76.00	61.00	14	2.3	3.0%
7	National Commercial Bank SJSC	SA	30,986	58.10	-1.0%	5.4%	560	8,670	59.90	37.00	12	1.9	2.8%
8	Saudi Electricity Company SJSC	SA	22,821	20.54	-1.3%	-2.5%	1,739	9,525	26.05	19.76	8	1.1	3.4%
9	DP World Ltd	AE	21,995	26.50	-0.4%	6.0%	177	1,277	27.06	19.21	21	2.2	1.4%
10	Industries Qatar QSC	QA	17,233	103.70	-2.6%	6.9%	138	3,920	121.60	85.00	24	1.9	3.9%
11	Saudi Arabian Mining Co SJSC	SA	16,639	53.40	0.8%	2.5%	425	6,059	57.10	39.00	87	2.4	0.0%
12	Jabal Omar Development Co SJSC	SA	14,721	59.40	-0.5%	0.5%	271	4,290	75.60	58.00	410	5.4	0.0%
13	National Bank of Kuwait SAKP	KW	14,547	736.00	-1.1%	1.1%	5,006	12,307	800.00	640.00	14	1.3	4.1%
14	Emirates Islamic Bank PJSC	AE	14,047	9.50	0.0%	-3.1%	1	1	11.95	4.02	73	7.1	0.0%
15	Almarai Co SJSC	SA	13,973	52.40	-0.8%	-2.6%	762	10,643	78.64	51.80	25	3.6	1.4%
16	Samba Financial Group SJSC	SA	13,413	25.15	0.4%	6.9%	978	6,560	27.10	19.80	10	1.2	3.8%
17	Emirates NBD Bank PJSC	AE	13,166	8.70	-2.2%	6.1%	1,117	2,647	9.09	7.95	6	0.8	4.6%
18	Emaar Properties PJSC	AE	12,672	6.50	-0.6%	-0.6%	5,907	10,454	8.43	6.36	8	1.0	2.3%
19	Saudi British Bank SJSC	SA	11,960	29.90	0.3%	10.7%	373	2,973	31.00	20.05	12	1.4	2.3%
20	Kuwait Finance House KSCP	KW	11,285	586.00	-0.3%	1.7%	2,137	4,183	650.00	467.00	18	1.8	2.9%
21	Riyad Bank SJSC	SA	10,896	13.62	0.0%	8.3%	567	2,059	14.18	10.10	13	1.1	4.8%
22	Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank PJSC	AE	10,233	7.23	0.1%	6.3%	1,996	3,930	7.60	6.55	9	1.2	5.8%
23	Yanbu National Petrochemicals Co SJSC	SA	9,900	66.00	0.0%	11.9%	185	3,255	66.50	52.00	16	2.2	4.9%
24	Banque Saudi Fransi SJSC	SA	9,659	30.05	-0.2%	5.4%	229	1,837	33.40	22.75	10	1.1	3.5%
25	Kingdom Holding Co	SA	9,398	9.51	-3.4%	0.0%	582	1,476	12.05	7.90	56	1.1	0.0%
26	Dubai Islamic Bank PJSC	AE	8,357	6.21	0.2%	0.3%	2,653	4,486	6.63	5.36	8	1.2	7.2%
27	Alinma Bank SJSC	SA	8,232	20.58	-0.2%	7.4%	29,647	162,705	20.86	14.00	17	1.5	2.4%
28	Masraf Al Rayan QPSC	QA	8,086	39.25	-0.1%	4.0%	911	9,822	45.40	33.32	15	2.2	5.1%
29	Emaar Malls PJSC	AE	8,009	2.26	-0.4%	6.1%	2,776	1,708	2.70	2.00	15	1.8	4.4%
30	Ooredoo QSC	QA	7,700	87.51	-3.8%	-3.6%	128	3,076	116.10	78.00	15	1.2	4.0%
Total M-Cap; W. Avg Yield			583,666										3.6%

Data Source: Thomson Reuters

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