

Overview

Regional Markets: The trading activity within the MENA markets continued to remain under pressure as investors are moving into safe haven amid increased volatility in the global markets. Further, the decline in oil prices is also making investors jittery about the regional economies, which are likely to face some downward pressure if oil prices continue to drop further. For the day, six out of the eight indexes ended on the losing side, while only one managed to close in green and one remained unchanged during the session. Saudi Arabia was the worst performer with losses of 1.0% for the day, continuing to extend the losses of 3.3% recorded in the previous week. The index witnessed broad based selling during the session, but the petchem and banking sector stocks weighed on the broader index for the day. UAE markets also ended on the losing side as both Dubai and Abu Dhabi were down by 0.2% and 0.3% respectively for the day, extending the losses recorded in the previous week. The sellers continue to dominate the indexes as buyers prefer to stay away as the markets are clearly in a downward trend. Egypt also closed lower by 0.6% for the day, extending the annual losses after starting the year on a positive note. Qatar was the only index that managed to close higher by 1.7% for the day, recovering some of the losses recorded in the previous week. Kuwait closed lower by 0.2% for the day, in line with the trend seen in the regional markets. Oman was down by 0.3%, while Bahrain was flat for the day.

International Markets: At the time of writing this report, Asian markets have opened on a positive note as Hang Seng and Shanghai are up by 0.7% and 0.8% respectively, while Nikkei was closed for the day.

Headlines

- (WW) Trump to unveil USD 1.5tn infrastructure plan
- (WW) US budget deal sets up wider fight over deficits, immigration
- (WW) US wholesale inventories for December revised higher
- (WW) China's January inflation eases even as global price anxiety grows
- (WW) UK economy grew by 0.5% in 3 months to January
- (WW) Bank of England raises prospect of higher rates as the global economy booms
- (WW) Germany's trade surplus shrinks for first time since 2009
- (WW) India's January retail inflation seen easing only slightly, still above target
- (CMD) US drillers boost oil rig count to the highest in nearly 3 years
- (CMD) Gold dips on firm dollar, heads for the second weekly loss
- (FX) Dollar poised for the best week in 15 months amid market turmoil
- (FX) Euro set for the worst week since 2016 as dollar extends rally
- (FI) Speculative US 10-year T-note net shorts hit the highest in a year
- (ME) Artificial Intelligence could add USD 320bn to GCC and Egypt economies by 2030
- (SA) Saudi ACWA Power sees USD 4.5bn in local project tenders
- (SA) Saudi Arabia hopes to raise USD 13bn by the year end from graft purge
- (AE) New USD 1bn Abu Dhabi chemicals facility to boost manufacturing
- (AE) Abu Dhabi adds 37 new industrial establishments in 2017
- (AE) UAE rules out VAT, excise tax increase over next 5 years
- (AE) UAE business conditions improve at the strongest pace in 5 months
- (AE) Rebound in Dubai house prices unlikely as the supply pipeline grows
- (EG) Remittances from Egyptian expats rise by 29.3% YoY in December
- (EG) Egypt's core inflation falls to 14.35% YoY in January
- (EG) Egypt forecasts inflation rate will slip to 13% by the end of 2018
- (OM) Oman, India ink several MoUs to buttress relations

(Source: Thomson Reuters, Bloomberg)

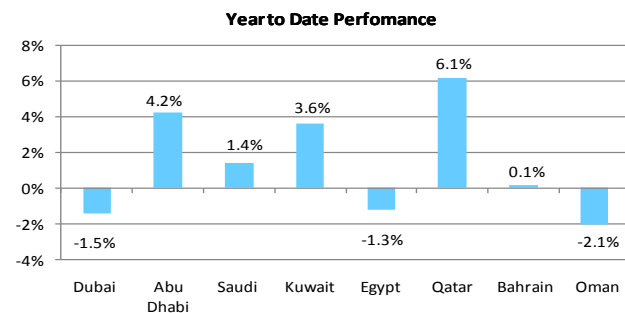
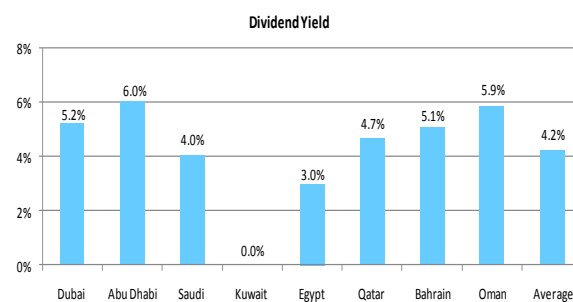
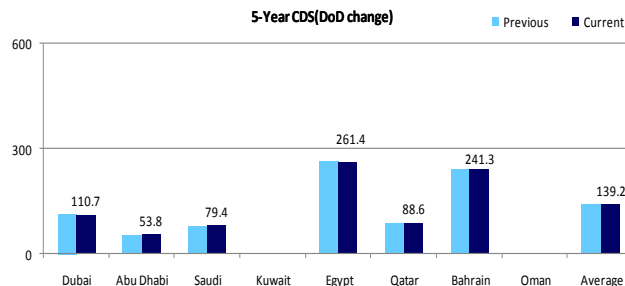
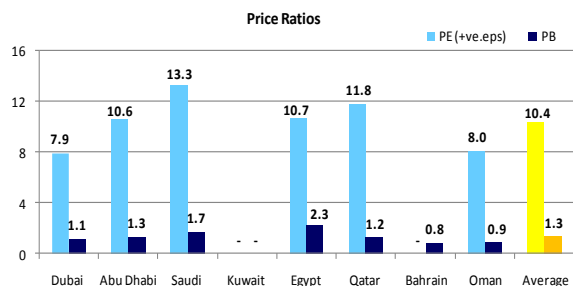
MENA Markets

Index	Last	DoD (%)	WTD (%)	MTD (%)	YTD (%)	ST Trend *	MT Trend *	LT Trend *
Dubai (DFMGI)	3,320.58	-0.2%	-0.2%	-2.2%	-1.5%	▼	▼	▼
Abu Dhabi (ADSMI)	4,584.41	-0.3%	-0.3%	-0.4%	4.2%	▼	▲	▲
Saudi (SASEIDX)	7,327.15	-1.0%	-1.0%	-4.2%	1.4%	▼	▲	▲
Kuwait (KWSE)	6,639.98	-0.2%	-0.2%	-0.7%	3.6%	▲	▲	▼
Egypt (EGX30)	14,828.36	-0.6%	-0.6%	-1.4%	-1.3%	▼	▲	▲
Qatar (DSM)	9,044.82	1.7%	1.7%	-1.7%	6.1%	▼	▲	▼
Bahrain (BHSEIDX)	1,333.56	0.0%	0.0%	-1.3%	0.1%	▲	▲	▲
Oman (MSM30)	4,994.02	-0.3%	-0.3%	-0.1%	-2.1%	▼	▼	▼

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)	196	257	237	83	115	100	84,682
Abu Dhabi (ADSMI)	62	79	90	34	38	43	133,857
Saudi (SASEIDX)	146	199	168	803	980	880	458,328
Kuwait (KWSE)	63	87	97	30	47	60	75,578
Egypt (EGX30)	197	277	328	76	84	76	26,417
Qatar (DSM)	8	11	10	57	85	70	103,983
Bahrain (BHSEIDX)	3	6	5	1	3	2	22,148
Oman (MSM30)	4	14	17	2	9	10	14,016

Valuation and Performance Comparisons



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

	Top Gainers	Close *	DoD %	Volume ('000)	Value (AED '000)	Top Losers	Close *	DoD %	Volume ('000)	Value (AED '000)
Dubai	DUBAI NATIONAL INSURANCE & REINS	3.39	10.78%	0	355	AL SAFWA MUBASHER FINANCIAL SER	0.73	-10.00%	0	0
	DUBAI INSURANCE CO PSC	3.50	4.48%	0	34	DRAKE AND SCULL INTERNATIONAL	1.85	-5.61%	0	14,560
	EMAAR MALLS PJSC	2.27	2.25%	1,293	2,902	MARKA PJSC	0.53	-5.18%	716	390
	ARAMEX PJSC	4.17	1.96%	155	641	ARABTEC HOLDING PJSC	2.51	-4.92%	4,256	10,959
	AIR ARABIA PJSC	1.30	1.56%	15,595	20,117	AL SALAM BANK SUDAN PLC	1.68	-4.55%	151	260
Abu Dhabi	NATIONAL INVESTOR PJSC	0.51	13.33%	30	14	NATIONAL BANK OF FUJAIRAH PJSC	4.05	-10.00%	10	43
	AXA GREEN CRESCENT INSURANCE CO	0.88	11.39%	1	0	UNION CEMENT CO PSC	1.19	-9.85%	1	2
	AL QUDRA HOLDING PJSC	1.20	4.35%	2,000	2,350	COMMERCIAL BANK INTERNATIONAL	1.04	-9.57%	1	1
	AL KHAZNA INSURANCE COMPANY	0.28	3.70%	700	193	GULF CEMENT CO PSC	1.00	-4.76%	10	10
	ABU DHABI NATIONAL ENERGY CO	0.59	3.51%	5,836	3,385	SHARJAH CEMENT AND INDUSTRIAL	1.07	-2.73%	50	54
Saudi Arabia	AL AHLIA FOR COOPERATIVE INSURAN	12.36	8.04%	1,990	23,681	AL-OMRAN INDUSTRIAL AND TRADING	16.00	-5.88%	7	111
	SOLIDARITY SAUDI TAKAFUL CO JSC	24.60	4.33%	1,610	38,790	SAUDI REAL ESTATE CO SJSC	21.40	-4.21%	121	2,657
	ARABIA INSURANCE COOPERATIVE CO	17.50	2.94%	108	1,866	NATIONAL COMPANY FOR GLASS IND	20.04	-3.65%	219	4,466
	TIHAMA ADVERTISING AND PUBLIC RE	44.00	2.33%	715	31,097	SAUDI ARABIA FERTILIZERS CO SJSC	64.00	-3.47%	154	10,046
	AL SAGR COOPERATIVE INSURANCE	25.00	1.71%	353	8,752	NATIONAL COMMERCIAL BANK SJSC	56.10	-3.44%	729	41,599
Kuwait	REAL ESTATE ASSET MANAGEMENT	1100.00	10.00%	0	0	FIRST TAKAFUL INSURANCE CO KPSC	57.50	-8.59%	2	0
	KAMCO INVESTMENT CO KSCP	69.00	9.52%	0	0	TAMKEEN HOLDING CO	20.20	-7.76%	40	1
	WARBA INSURANCE COMPANY KSCP	69.80	9.06%	38	3	AAYAN REAL ESTATE COMPANY KSCP	72.00	-7.69%	6	0
	KUWAIT INVESTMENT COMPANY KPSC	141.00	8.46%	10,822	1,466	TAAMEER REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT	29.00	-6.45%	290	9
	NATIONAL MOBILE TELECOMMUNICA	1130.00	6.60%	0	0	SOKOUK HOLDING CO KSCP	48.00	-5.88%	921	46
Egypt	SUEZ CANAL COMPANY FOR TECHNOL	13.14	9.23%	0	37	ALEXANDRIA FLOUR MILLS AND BAKER	18.45	-10.00%	33	637
	EL EBOUR COMPANY FOR REAL ESTAT	8.06	7.61%	19	145	MEDICAL PACKAGING CO SAE	0.94	-6.93%	1,110	1,082
	REACAP FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS SAE	5.24	6.72%	25	126	EGYPTIAN IRON AND STEEL CO SAE	7.73	-5.50%	2,319	18,452
	EGYPTIAN STARCH AND GLUCOSE	15.59	5.62%	92	1,389	GRAND CAPITAL FOR FINANCIAL INVS	4.05	-5.37%	37	155
	NORTH UPPER EGYPT DEVELOPMENT	6.45	5.39%	328	2,061	EXTRACTED OIL AND DERIVATIVES CO	1.83	-5.18%	1,991	3,743
Qatar	QATAR INSURANCE CO SAQ	48.01	5.15%	65	3,022	QATAR OMAN INVESTMENT CO QSC	7.62	-4.75%	1	10
	GULF INTERNATIONAL SERVICES QSC	17.82	4.95%	879	15,288	MANNAI CORPORATION QPSC	63.01	-3.05%	2	157
	ALIJARAH HOLDING CO QPSC	10.20	4.62%	105	1,045	QATAR NATIONAL CEMENT CO QSC	68.00	-2.86%	10	667
	QATARI INVESTORS GROUP QSC	32.49	3.80%	253	8,085	SALAM INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT	6.10	-2.40%	80	493
	BARWA REAL ESTATE COMPANY QPSC	37.87	3.78%	690	25,655	MEDICARE GROUP QSC	78.20	-1.01%	12	978

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	83,036	103.80	-0.2%	2.0%	3,462	95,834	109.00	94.25	17	1.9	4.0%
2	Emirates Telecommunications Group Co	AE	41,201	17.40	0.0%	-0.6%	1,078	5,108	18.85	15.75	17	3.6	4.6%
3	Saudi Telecom Company SJSC	SA	38,718	72.60	-0.1%	5.8%	114	2,211	78.90	64.50	14	2.3	5.5%
4	First Abu Dhabi Bank PJSC	AE	33,825	11.40	-0.4%	11.2%	2,232	6,927	11.55	9.75	13	1.2	6.1%
5	Qatar National Bank QPSC	QA	33,533	132.15	3.2%	4.9%	206	7,491	157.10	115.01	9	1.6	4.5%
6	Al Rajhi Banking & Investment Corp Ltd	SA	30,808	71.10	0.4%	10.1%	4,060	76,978	76.00	61.00	13	2.2	3.2%
7	National Commercial Bank SJSC	SA	29,918	56.10	-3.4%	1.8%	729	10,898	59.90	37.00	12	1.8	2.9%
8	Saudi Electricity Company SJSC	SA	22,198	19.98	-0.6%	-5.1%	1,040	5,540	26.05	19.76	8	1.1	3.5%
9	DP World Ltd	AE	21,580	26.00	-1.5%	4.0%	130	922	27.06	20.00	21	2.2	1.5%
10	Industries Qatar QSC	QA	17,450	104.99	1.6%	8.2%	85	2,460	121.60	85.00	25	1.9	3.8%
11	Saudi Arabian Mining Co SJSC	SA	15,704	50.40	-1.2%	-3.3%	508	6,832	57.10	39.00	82	2.3	0.0%
12	National Bank of Kuwait SAKP	KW	14,705	745.00	-0.8%	2.3%	1,282	3,184	800.00	640.00	14	1.3	4.0%
13	Jabal Omar Development Co SJSC	SA	14,101	56.90	-1.7%	-3.7%	236	3,586	75.60	56.60	393	5.2	0.0%
14	Emirates Islamic Bank PJSC	AE	14,046	9.50	0.0%	-3.1%	1	1	11.95	4.62	73	7.1	0.0%
15	Almarai Co SJSC	SA	13,573	50.90	0.4%	-5.4%	350	4,755	78.64	50.00	24	3.5	1.5%
16	Samba Financial Group SJSC	SA	12,885	24.16	-1.5%	2.7%	479	3,084	27.10	19.80	10	1.1	3.9%
17	Emirates NBD Bank PJSC	AE	12,862	8.50	0.6%	3.7%	10	23	9.09	7.95	6	0.8	4.7%
18	Emaar Properties PJSC	AE	12,476	6.40	-1.2%	-2.1%	7,653	13,334	8.43	6.29	8	1.0	2.3%
19	Saudi British Bank SJSC	SA	11,419	28.55	-1.6%	5.7%	202	1,541	31.00	20.05	11	1.3	2.5%
20	Kuwait Finance House KSCP	KW	11,366	591.00	-0.5%	2.6%	1,374	2,707	650.00	467.00	18	1.8	2.9%
21	Riyad Bank SJSC	SA	10,639	13.30	-1.9%	5.7%	316	1,121	14.18	10.10	12	1.1	4.9%
22	Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank PJSC	AE	10,190	7.20	0.3%	5.9%	1,572	3,082	7.60	6.55	9	1.2	5.8%
23	Banque Saudi Fransi SJSC	SA	9,546	29.70	-1.0%	4.2%	28	221	33.40	22.75	10	1.1	3.5%
24	Yanbu National Petrochemicals Co SJSC	SA	9,449	63.00	-0.6%	6.8%	245	4,119	66.50	52.00	15	2.1	5.2%
25	Kingdom Holding Co	SA	9,210	9.32	1.0%	0.0%	219	544	12.05	7.90	55	1.1	0.0%
26	Masraf Al Rayan QPSC	QA	8,427	40.90	3.0%	8.3%	556	6,241	45.40	33.32	15	2.3	4.9%
27	Dubai Islamic Bank PJSC	AE	8,397	6.24	0.6%	0.8%	8,443	14,343	6.63	5.36	8	1.2	7.2%
28	Emaar Malls PJSC	AE	8,044	2.27	2.3%	6.6%	1,293	799	2.70	2.00	15	1.8	4.4%
29	Alinma Bank SJSC	SA	7,880	19.70	-0.7%	2.8%	19,499	102,427	20.86	14.00	15	1.4	4.1%
30	Ooredoo QSC	QA	7,810	88.75	1.4%	-2.2%	108	2,626	116.10	78.00	15	1.2	3.9%
Total M-Cap; W. Avg Yield			574,997										3.7%

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