

Financial Services Morning Report

Digital News



Indicator	Price Momentum			T12M Price to Earnings		T12M Price to Book		Dividend Yield %
	Last price	% Chg, 1 Day	% chg, YTD	Last	5 Year Avg T12M P/E	TTM P/B	5 Year Avg T12M P/B	
MSCI World Index	3,711.68	0.1	0.1	21.7	21.2	3.5	3.1	1.82%
MSCI Emerging Markets Index	1,138.40	0.4	5.9	15.5	15.2	1.9	1.7	2.71%
MSCI FM FRONTIER MARKETS	567.18	0.3	6.5	-	11.7	1.0	1.6	4.60%

GCC	Price Momentum			T12M Price to Earnings		T12M Price to Book		Dividend Yield %
	Last price	% Chg, 1 Day	% chg, YTD	Last	5 Year Avg TTM P/E	TTM P/B	5 Year Avg TTM P/B	
MSCI GCC Countries ex Saudi Arabia Index	601.21	0.2	5.6	10.3	13.9	1.7	1.7	4.52%
Muscat Stock Exchange MSX 30 Index	4,355.25	0.1	(4.8)		12.5	0.9	0.8	6.34%
Tadawul All Share Index	11,346.59	(0.2)	(5.7)	16.7	22.2	2.1	2.4	3.98%
Dubai Financial Market General Index	5,312.55	(0.0)	3.0	9.5	11.4	1.5	1.1	5.58%
FTSE ADX GENERAL INDEX	9,625.97	(0.1)	2.2	18.0	21.9	2.5	2.4	2.38%
Qatar Exchange Index	10,532.25	0.1	(0.4)	11.7	14.1	1.3	1.5	4.73%
Bahrain Bourse All Share Index	1,919.91	0.1	(3.3)	14.2	11.3	1.3	1.0	4.09%
Boursa Kuwait All Share Price Return Index	8,055.92	0.6	9.4	18.0	21.0	1.8	1.6	3.35%

Asia	Price Momentum			T12M Price to Earnings		T12M Price to Book		Dividend Yield %
	Last price	% Chg, 1 Day	% chg, YTD	Last	5 Year Avg TTM P/E	TTM P/B	5 Year Avg TTM P/B	
MSCI AC Asia Pacific Excluding Japan Index	595.26	0.4	4.5	16.5	17.1	1.9	1.8	2.68%
Nikkei 225	37,579.50	0.2	(5.8)	18.6	25.5	1.9	1.9	1.96%
S&P/ASX 200	8,243.60	0.2	1.0	20.5	19.4	2.3	2.2	3.58%
Hang Seng Index	23,100.24	1.0	15.2	11.6	11.0	1.3	1.1	3.54%
NSE Nifty 50 Index	24,699.85	2.9	4.5	22.4	24.0	3.3	3.3	1.26%

Europe	Price Momentum			T12M Price to Earnings		T12M Price to Book		Dividend Yield %
	Last price	% Chg, 1 Day	% chg, YTD	Last	5 Year Avg TTM P/E	TTM P/B	5 Year Avg TTM P/B	
MSCI Europe Index	179.90	0.4	5.9	15.1	16.3	2.1	2.0	3.20%
MSCI Emerging Markets Europe Index	146.71	2.2	23.9	10.9	7.3	1.3	1.0	3.44%
FTSE 100 Index	8,554.80	0.3	4.7	12.6	14.1	1.9	1.8	3.57%
Deutsche Boerse AG German Stock Index DAX	23,499.32	0.6	18.0	18.9	15.6	2.0	1.7	2.44%
CAC 40	7,743.75	0.6	4.9	16.2	16.0	1.8	1.8	3.13%

America's	Price Momentum			T12M Price to Earnings		T12M Price to Book		Dividend Yield %
	Last price	% Chg, 1 Day	% chg, YTD	Last	5 Year Avg TTM P/E	TTM P/B	5 Year Avg TTM P/B	
MSCI North America Index	5,626.89	(0.1)	(3.4)	24.3	24.0	4.7	4.2	1.39%
S&P 500 INDEX	5,659.91	(0.1)	(3.8)	24.2	23.6	4.9	4.4	1.35%
Dow Jones Industrial Average	41,249.38	(0.3)	(3.0)	22.9	21.5	5.4	4.8	1.73%
NASDAQ Composite Index	17,928.92	0.0	(7.2)	33.5	37.6	6.4	6.0	0.74%

Commodities	Last price	% Chg, 1 Day	% chg, YTD	% chg from 10 year high		% chg from 10 year Low	
S&P GSCI Index Spot	531.5	1.1	-3.3	-35%		133%	
Gold Spot \$/Oz	3,274.4	-1.5	24.8	-5%		212%	
BRENT CRUDE FUTR Jul25	64.3	0.6	-12.2	-23%		38%	
Generic 1st'OQA' Future	64.8	1.8	-14.9	-49%		251%	
LME COPPER 3MO (\$)	9,445.5	0.1	7.7	-13%		118%	
SILVER SPOT \$/OZ	32.9	0.4	13.7	-6%		174%	

SPOT Currencies Indices	Last price	% Chg, 1 Day	% chg, YTD	% chg from 10 year high		% chg from 10 year Low	
DOLLAR INDEX SPOT	100.6	0.25	-7.28	-12%		14%	
Euro Spot	1.1222	-0.25	8.38	-10%		17%	
British Pound Spot	1.3279	-0.20	6.10	-16%		24%	
Swiss Franc Spot	0.8346	-0.40	8.72	-19%		3%	
China Renminbi Spot	7.2269	0.16	1.00	-2%		17%	
Japanese Yen Spot	146.0	-0.46	7.64	-10%		46%	
Australian Dollar Spot	0.6428	0.22	3.88	-21%		12%	
USD-OMR X-RATE	0.3850	0.00	0.00	0%		0%	
AED-USD X-RATE	0.2723	0.00	0.00	0%		0%	
USD-EGP X-RATE	50.6179	0.04	0.44	-2%		564%	
USD-TRY X-RATE	38.7463	0.03	-8.75	0%		1404%	

GCC Government Bond Yields		
	Maturity date	YTM, %
Oman	01/08/2029	5.22
Abu Dhabi	16/04/2030	4.21
Qatar	16/04/2030	4.36
Saudi Arabia	22/10/2030	4.79
Kuwait	20/03/2027	4.46
Bahrain	14/05/2030	6.54

Bond Indices			
	Close	D/D	YTD
	Index	%	%
S&P MENA Sukuk TR Index	146.95	-0.1%	2.8%
S&P MENA Bond TR Index	142.58	-0.2%	2.3%
S&P MENA Bond & Sukuk TR Index	143.42	-0.1%	2.5%

3m Interbank Rates		
	Current Rate %	As on 31 Dec 2021
GLOBAL		
US	4.31	0.09
UK	-	-
EURO	2.12	(0.57)
GCC		
Oman	4.65	2.13
Saudi Arabia	5.36	0.91
Kuwait	3.94	1.50
UAE	4.16	0.36
Qatar	4.65	1.13
Bahrain	5.65	1.52

Source: FSC

Oman Economic and Corporate News

Real estate transactions in Oman exceed OMR572 million at end of March 2025

The traded value of real estate transactions in the Sultanate of Oman fell by 2.5% to OMR572.7 million till the end of March 2025, compared to OMR587.5 million in the same period of 2024, according to the latest data released by the National Centre for Statistics and Information (NCSI). According to preliminary statistics issued by the NCSI, fees collected of all legal action's transactions amounted to OMR18.3 million till the end of March 2025, constituting an increase of 10.6% compared to OMR16.5 million by the end of March 2024.

[Source: Times of Oman](#)

OQX launches 13 startups to advance energy innovation

OQX, the Research, Development and Innovation arm of OQ Group, has launched its flagship accelerator programme with 13 pioneering startups that will drive Oman's sustainable energy future. Announced during Oman Sustainability Week 2025, the initiative represents a strategic investment in homegrown innovation aligned with OQ's global energy transition objectives.

[Source: Muscat Daily](#)

Middle east Economic and Corporate News

Saudi Arabia's industrial production rises 2% in March

The General Authority for Statistics (GASTAT) released the Industrial Production Index (IPI) results for March 2025, revealing a 2.0% increase in the general index compared to the same month last year. The growth was primarily driven by a 5.1% year-on-year rise in manufacturing activities and a significant 15.0% increase in the water supply, sanitation, waste management, and treatment sector. Meanwhile, the mining and quarrying activity index edged down by 0.2%, and the electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning supply sector declined by 0.9% year-on-year. Oil-related activities saw modest growth, with the index rising by 0.5%, while non-oil industrial activities posted a 5.6% increase compared to March 2024, reflecting continued diversification efforts within the Kingdom's economy.

[Source: Zawya](#)

Khaled bin Mohamed bin Zayed approves 14 new housing projects

Under the directives of His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the UAE and Ruler of Abu Dhabi, His Highness Sheikh Khaled bin Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Chairman of the Abu Dhabi Executive Council, has approved 14 new integrated housing projects across the emirate. The projects will deliver 35,000 new housing benefits over the next five years, including 26,000 residential units for Abu Dhabi citizens, with a total budget of AED82.7 billion, in addition to the development of approximately 9,000 residential land plots.

[Source: Zawya](#)

China CPI inflation eases in April, PPI falls as US trade war weighs

Chinese consumer price index inflation eased for a third straight month in April, while producer inflation fell by its sharpest pace in six months as the country grappled with a bitter trade war with the United States. CPI inflation shrank 0.1% year-on-year in April, government data showed over the weekend, in line with expectations and after a 0.1% decline in the prior month. CPI rose 0.1% month-on-month. The reading highlighted continued weakness in Chinese consumer spending, which Beijing has been struggling to shore up over the past two years. Focus is now on more fiscal measures in China, which are expected to be aimed chiefly at shoring up consumption. Still, the inflation data came just before U.S. and Chinese officials flagged progress in trade talks, with Washington claiming that a trade deal had been reached. A trade deal could help lower U.S. trade tariffs on China, which were a major weight on the economy through April. This was particularly apparent in dismal producer price index inflation data, which shrank 2.7% y-o-y in April in its worst monthly drop in six months. Chinese producers were seen grappling with a sharp decrease in overseas orders, while local demand also cooled.

[Source: Investing](#)

Dollar gets a weekly boost ahead of US-China trade talks

The dollar headed for a weekly gain on most major currencies on Friday, after a U.S.-UK trade deal fuelled investor optimism over upcoming U.S.-China talks, while bets of imminent Fed rate cuts receded after the central bank indicated it was in no hurry. Financial markets are heading into the weekend with the focus squarely on trade negotiations between Washington and Beijing due to begin on Saturday in Switzerland. The euro touched a one-month low of \$1.1197 overnight was down about 0.6% for the week. It was last up 0.2% on the day at \$1.2253. The yen, a good gauge of investor confidence, has weakened about 0.4% this week and hit a one-month trough of 146.18 per dollar, before strengthening to 145.195, leaving the dollar down 0.5% on the day.

[Source: Zawya](#)

Oil and Metal News

Oil prices rise as US-China trade talks soothe market jitters

Oil prices rose on Monday after both sides in U.S.-China trade talks over the weekend touted their progress, which lifted market sentiment that the world's two largest crude users may be moving toward a resolution of their trade dispute. Brent crude futures climbed 27 cents, or 0.4%, to \$64.18 a barrel at 0001 GMT. U.S. West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude futures were trading at \$61.30 a barrel, up 28 cents, or 0.5%, from Friday's close. Both benchmarks increased more than \$1 on Friday and gained over 4% last week, notching their first weekly gains since mid-April, after a U.S. trade deal with the United Kingdom made investors optimistic that economic dislocations from U.S. tariffs on its trading partners may be avoided. The U.S. and China ended trade talks on a positive note on Sunday, with U.S. officials touting a "deal" to reduce the U.S. trade deficit, while Chinese officials said the sides had reached "important consensus". However, neither side released any details of the talks with Chinese Vice Premier He Lifeng saying a joint statement would be released on Monday. Positive talks between the world's two largest economies could help boost crude demand as trade, currently disrupted by massive tariffs from both countries, is restored between them.

[Source: Zawya](#)

Gold prices slide over 1% on US-China trade deal, easing Indo-Pak tensions

Gold prices fell sharply in early Asian trade on Monday, as investors left safe havens on the wayside in favor of more risk-driven assets after the White House said it had reached a trade deal with China. Easing geopolitical tensions also sapped demand for gold, as a weekend ceasefire between nuclear armed neighbors India and Pakistan appeared to be holding. Spot gold slid 1.3% to \$3,283.04 an ounce, while gold futures for June fell 1.7% to \$3,287.90/oz by 20:12 ET (00:12 GMT).

[Source: Investing.com](https://www.investing.com)

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