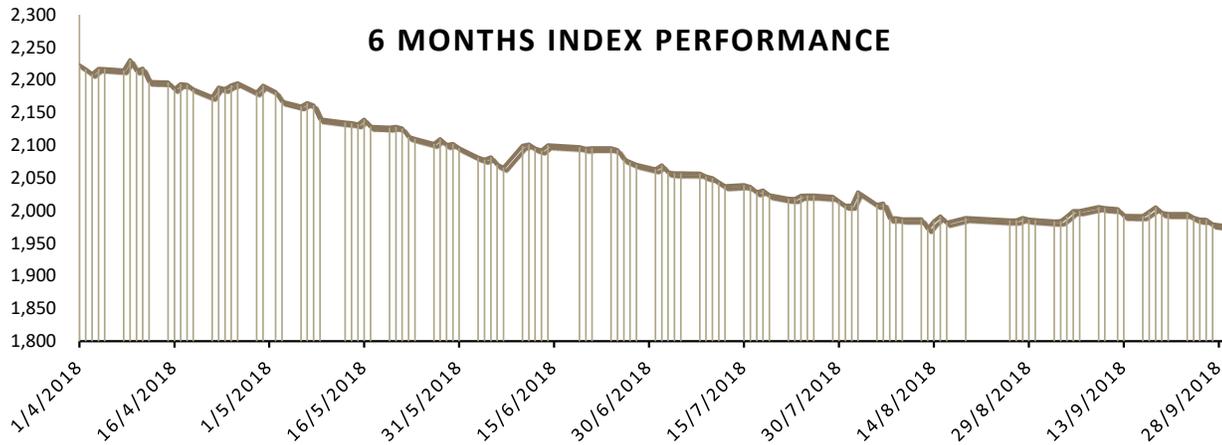


	Close	% Change	Year-to-Date (YTD)	Daily Volume (shares)	Daily Turnover (JOD)
<b>AMMAN SE GENERAL INDEX</b>	1,975.63	-0.18%	-7.11%	5,833,671	5,105,270



**Best Performing Companies**

	% Change
PETRA EDUCATION	4.55
ARABIAN STEEL PIPES	4.30
ARAB INTERNATIONAL HOTELS	4.04
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BANK AL ETIHAD	3.68

**Worst Performing Companies**

	% Change
ARAB ALUMINIUM INDUSTRY	(3.19)
BARTER CO FOR INVESTMENT & T	(3.57)
JORDAN STEEL	(4.65)
TUHAMA FOR FINANCIAL INVESTM	(4.88)
MASAFAT FOR SPECIALIZED TRAN	(5.41)

**Top Traded Companies by Volume (Shares)**

SURA DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTM	306,600
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	239,563
ARAB EAST INVESTMENT	210,281
UNION INVESTMENT CORP	163,086
ARAB JORDANIAN INSURANCE GRP	148,103

**Top Traded Companies by Value (JOD)**

SURA DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTI	697,970
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	573,051
UNION TOBACCO & CIGARETTE	454,271
UNION LAND DEVELOPMENT CORF	381,363
UNION INVESTMENT CORP	376,498

## Macroeconomic & Corporate News

### Local banking sector 'most secure' at pan-Arab level

The volume of combined assets of the Jordanian banking sector reached \$70.4 billion by the end of the second quarter of 2018, registering a 1.7 per cent growth compared to the end of 2017, Secretary General of the Union of Arab Banks Wissam Fattouh said on Saturday. Such figures make the Jordanian banking sector the most secure in the Arab region, Fattouh added in a statement that was cited by the Jordan News Agency, Petra. Based on an analytical study by the union, deposits amounted to \$47.1 billion, marking a 1.5 per cent increase compared to the same period last year, he added. As for credit facilities granted to the public and private sectors, the secretary general said that they reached some \$48.2 billion, registering a 4.2 per cent growth, compared to the end of 2017. Regarding sources of deposits, the private sector's constituted some 92 per cent of the total volume by the end of

### Gender pay gap in public sector reaches 13.8 per cent — committee

The Jordanian Equal Pay Committee on Saturday said that the wage gap between genders has reached 13.8 per cent in the public sector and 14.2 per cent in the private sector. In the health sector, the gap was at 31.8 per cent and in private education it had reached 30.2 per cent. The committee's remarks came after planning and international cooperation minister, Mary Kawar, participated in the Equal Pay International Coalition (EPIC) held in New York recently, according to a ministry statement. Women receive lower wages for jobs than men do "simply because they are woman", Kawar said. According to the statement, Kawar announced Jordan's commitment in narrowing the gap by transferring wages electronically in sectors where women dominate.

### PM orders transfers of gov't vehicles

Prime Minister Omar Razzaz instructed ministries, entities and state universities and municipalities to promptly hand transfer extra vehicles so that they can be delivered to other official institutions with vehicle shortages or be sold. The prime minister circulated a report issued under the electronic vehicle tracking system, which monitored the daily vehicle use in the Ministry of Transport to determine the needs of cars in each entity and the number of extra vehicles. The decision is in line with the Cabinet's policy to tighten spending and restrict the use of government vehicles to official government business, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported.

\* Source: Bloomberg, Jordan Times, Zawya

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