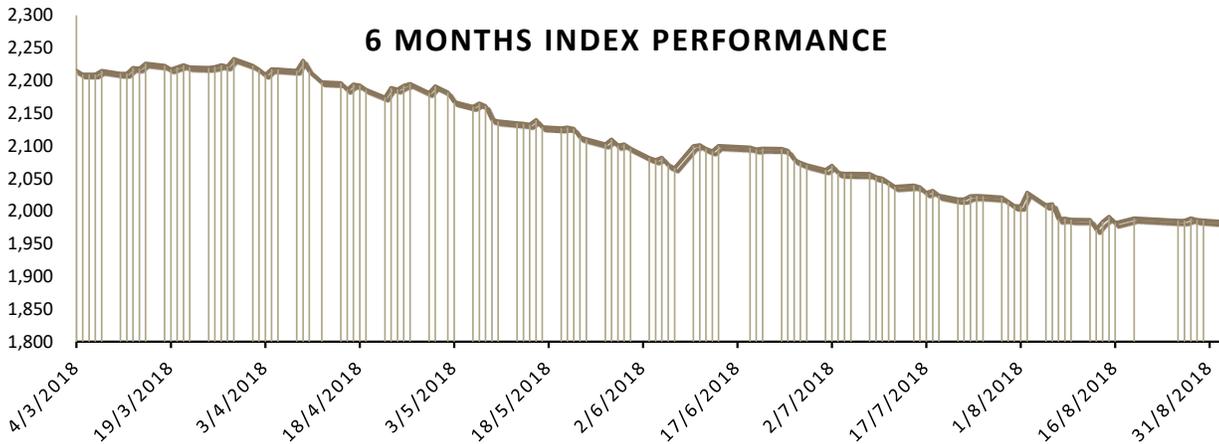


	Close	% Change	Year-to-Date (YTD)	Daily Volume (shares)	Daily Turnover (JOD)
AMMAN SE GENERAL INDEX	1,991.14	0.37%	-6.38%	4,617,372	4,551,999



Best Performing Companies

	% Change
AL AMAL FINANCIAL INVESTMENT	4.76
TUHAMA FOR FINANCIAL INVESTM	4.35
ARAB EAST INVESTMENT	4.17
JORDANIAN PHARMACEUTICAL MAN	3.85
JORDANIAN EXPATRIATES INV HL	3.70

Worst Performing Companies

	% Change
DAR AL DAWA DEVELOPMENT & INV	(1.55)
BANK AL ETIHAD	(1.79)
JORDAN MASAKEN FOR LAND & IN	(2.17)
FIRST JORDAN INVESTMENT CO	(3.57)
ARAB UNION INTL INSURANCE	(4.44)

Top Traded Companies by Volume (Shares)

ARABIAN STEEL PIPES	982,794
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	836,059
JORDAN PIPES MANUFACTURING	254,826
ARAB EAST INVESTMENT	197,865
AL-TAJAMOUAT FOR TOURISTIC P	171,550

Top Traded Companies by Value (JOD)

ARABIAN STEEL PIPES	953,311
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	858,596
JORDAN PIPES MANUFACTURING	423,108
ARAB BANK PLC	296,310
AL-TAHDITH FOR REAL ESTATE	127,319

Macroeconomic & Corporate News

Gov't study underlines flaws in current tax system

The ratio of tax burden to gross domestic product in the Kingdom stood at 26.5 per cent in 2017, a government study has shown. The 26.5 per cent is broken down to include 17.3 per cent as indirect taxes, 3.7 per cent as direct taxes and 5.5 per cent as social security contributions, according to the study, released on Monday. The tax burden, according to the study, includes the total direct tax revenues (income and real estate taxes), indirect tax revenues (sales tax, customs fees and ICT and fuel derivatives revenues) and social security premiums. The study underlined structural faults in the tax system, where direct taxes constitute 24 per cent of the total tax revenue, while indirect tax revenues constitute 76 per cent of the tax burden. The survey said that there

Social Development Ministry signs funding agreement with 20 CBOs

The Ministry of Social Development on Monday signed an agreement with a total of 20 community-Based organisations (CBOs) from across the Kingdom to fund projects aimed at involving more individuals in social work and community service in various sectors. Social Development Minister Hala Lattouf said the signing ceremony comes "within the framework of the ministry's belief that CBOs bring people together for a just cause". "Nowadays, we need joint efforts to see a better tomorrow," she said, stressing the ministry's readiness to support organisations in overcoming their challenges to achieve social development and "a brighter

Unemployment slightly up, but drops among women

The unemployment rate during the second quarter of 2018 was 18.7 per cent, according to the Department of Statistics (DoS) quarterly report on the unemployment rate in the Kingdom. The figure entails a slight rise from the same period last year. The report pointed out that the unemployment rate for females during the second quarter of 2018 was 26.8 per cent, constituting a decline by 7.1 percentage points, compared with the second quarter of 2017, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. The progress was attributed to the programmes implemented by the Ministry of Labour in cooperation with partners through intensive employment projects, especially in the productive sectors, in addition to increasing the integration of women in the local labour

* Source: Bloomberg, Jordan Times, Zawya

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