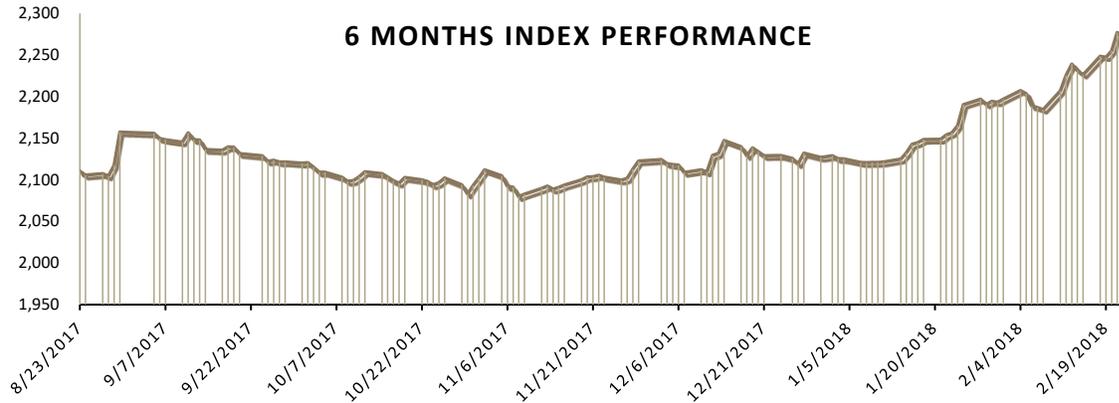


	Close	% Change	Year-to-Date (YTD)	Daily Volume (shares)	Daily Turnover (JOD)
AMMAN SE GENERAL INDEX	2,209.26	0.02%	3.88%	3,828,850	4,015,803



Best Performing Companies

	% Change
SOUTH ELECTRONICS	8.33
JORDANIAN EXPATRIATES INV HL	4.92
ARAB FINANCIAL INVEST CO	4.69
ARAB INTERNATIONAL CO FOR IN	4.29
REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT	4.26

Worst Performing Companies

	% Change
RUM TOURIST TRANSPORTATION C	(2.99)
ZARA INVESTMENTS	(3.77)
TUHAMA FOR FINANCIAL INVESTM	(4.48)
EMMAR INVESTMENTS & REAL EST	(5.56)
RESOURCES CO FOR DEVELOPMENT	(7.69)

Top Traded Companies by Volume (Shares)

UNION INVESTMENT CORP	484,100
JORDANIAN EXPATRIATES INV HL	300,130
UNION LAND DEVELOPMENT CORP	223,592
SABA'EK INVESTMENT	200,500
ARAB JORDANIAN INSURANCE GRP	200,050

Top Traded Companies by Value (JOD)

UNION INVESTMENT CORP	581,014
UNION LAND DEVELOPMENT CORP	410,282
ARAB BANK PLC	389,728
JORDANIAN EXPATRIATES INV HL	191,858
JORDAN PHOSPHATE MINES	174,326

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JCD opens foreign cars department in Irbid

Jordan Customs Department (JCD) Director General Maj. Gen. Waddah Hmoud on Tuesday opened the foreign cars department in Irbid's Al Hassan Industrial Estate customs after completing the necessary measures, including supplying it with qualified and trained employees, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. Hmoud said that opening this department will ease the burden on foreigners residing in the northern regions of Jordan, noting that they used to have to visit the foreign cars department in Amman Customs. It will also facilitate investment and assist Arab and foreign visitors, as well as students coming to the Kingdom for temporary residence. Hmoud added that the establishment of this department will also reduce the burden on the foreign cars department in Amman Customs, which is overcrowded during the summer and holidays. This, in turn, will have a significant impact on the satisfaction of the service recipients, he added.

Jordanian trucks still awaiting green light to enter Iraq

Around 80 Jordanian trucks laden with various types of commodities unload their freight at the Jordanian-Iraqi border every day, with the number expected to rise sharply soon, the Jordan Truck Owners Association said on Monday. "Currently, there is back-to-back unloading at the borders, as Jordanian trucks are yet to be given the green light to reach their final destinations in Iraq. Jordanian trucks [now] unload their cargo, which are then loaded in Iraqi trucks," Mohammad Dawood, president of the association, said on Monday. Prior to the closure of the Iraqi border with Jordan in 2014 after Daesh seized control of a large part of western Iraq, around 600 trucks used to enter Iraq on a daily basis, according to Dawood. Following the reopening of the Turaibil border crossing between Jordan and Iraq late 2017, Jordanian exports resumed.

Inside lag behind economic slowdown

A study by the Centre for Strategic Studies (CSS) has criticised successive governments' failure to achieve the goals of economic plans and confusion in the implementation process. The findings were issued in a policy paper entitled "National Development Programmes between Planning and Implementation". In recent years, the study noted, the Kingdom has "overcrowding in strategic plans and visions" that aim to push forward economic growth, ending internal and external imbalances and achieving overall stability in a region that has been plagued by political and military turmoil. Since 2014, successive governments have prepared several development plans, such as the "Jordan 2025", which resulted in several executive and development programmes, in addition to the investment plans of the Gulf grant approved in 2011, as well as the Jordan Compact programme to support the host communities of Syrian refugees.

* Source: Bloomberg, Jordan Times, Zawya

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