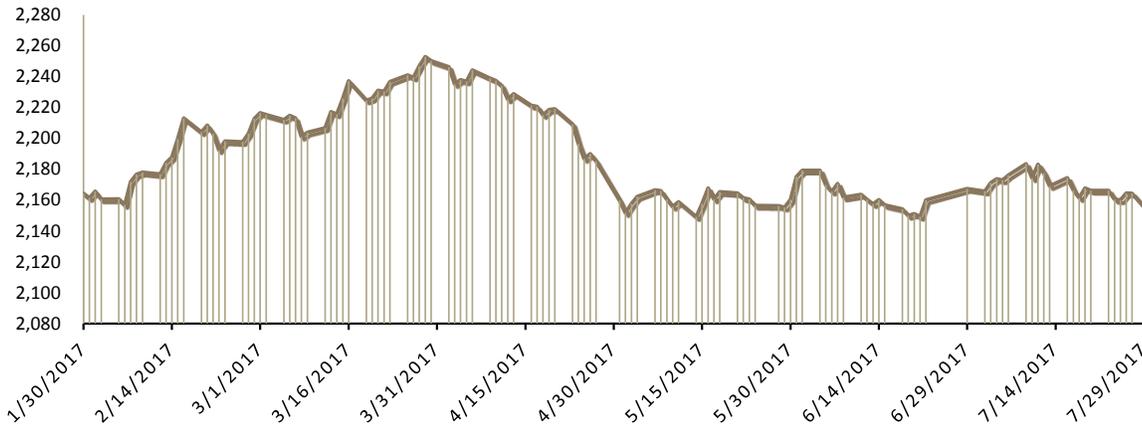


	Close	% Change	Year-to-Date (YTD)	Daily Volume (shares)
<b>AMMAN SE GENERAL INDEX</b>	<b>2,164.34</b>	<b>-0.01%</b>	<b>-0.27%</b>	<b>4,145,819</b>

### 6 MONTHS INDEX PERFORMANCE



#### Best/Worst Performing Companies

Best Performers	% Change	Worst Performers	% Change
UNION LAND DEVELOPMENT CORP	4.81	DEERA INVESTMENT & REAL ESTA	(3.33)
AL-TAJAMOAT FOR CATERING HS	4.65	NATL PORTFOLIO SECURITIES	(3.49)
ARAB ALUMINIUM INDUSTRY	4.62	OFFTEC HOLDING GROUP PLC	(3.85)
UNION INVESTMENT CORP	4.32	ZARA INVESTMENTS	(3.92)
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	3.74	JORDANIAN PHARMACEUTICAL MAN	(4.08)

#### Top Traded Companies by Value

	Value traded (JOD)
AL EQBAL CO FOR INVESTMENT P	1,116,652.00
UNION INVESTMENT CORP	1,074,588.00
JORDAN PETROLEUM REFINERY CO	929,724.90
RUM TOURIST TRANSPORTATION C	669,318.10
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	665,285.50

#### Top Traded Companies by Volume

	Volume traded (Shares)
UNION INVESTMENT CORP	760,190
RUM TOURIST TRANSPORTATION C	647,036
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	607,942
JORDAN PETROLEUM REFINERY CO	302,864
JORDAN STEEL	268,156

## Macroeconomic & Corporate News

### Jordan's Arab Bank says H1 net profit falls 2 pct to \$415.2 mln

Jordan's largest lender, Arab Bank Group, reported a 2.3 percent fall in first-half net profit to \$415.2 million from \$424.9 million a year earlier. A statement released on Saturday by the bank, one of the Middle East's major financial institutions, said its loan book and overall operations continued to grow despite exchange-rate fluctuations.

### Investment map in governorates launched

Minister of State for Investment Affairs Muhannad Shehadeh on Saturday announced that an investment map for governorates will be launched next month, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. The map, which will include investment opportunities in each governorate, aims to create jobs and combat poverty, Shehadeh said. During a panel organised by the Jordan Transparency Association titled "Investment in Jordan", the minister said that the Jordan Investment Commission (JIC) has finalised a list of 122 small and medium enterprises spread across the Kingdom's governorates, with values ranging between JD9,000 and JD50,000. Stability and security are the main elements attracting investments, said Shehadeh, whose portfolio is the first in the country's history.

### 'Red tape needs to be tackled to improve business, tourist environment'

Recent measures taken by the Jordan Investment Commission (JIC) to cut red tape are designed to make it easier to do business and improve the overall investment environment in the Kingdom, a government official said on Saturday. Muhannad Shehadeh, minister of state for investment affairs and JIC chief, said the commission recently reviewed the structure of its four directorates and reduced the number of committees from 26 to 13, in a bid to eliminate "unnecessary delays". The "excessive" number of committees contributes to heavy bureaucracy and delays in work, he explained, adding that further cuts will take place in the near future. The JIC, which offers a total of 99 business procedures, will cut down the number of procedures by half over the upcoming two months, crossing out many "unnecessary" ones, he added at a lecture carried out by the Jordan Transparency Association. The minister noted that some measures, like issuing an investor card, currently require five different signatures, while the conditions for obtaining the card are clearly stated in the Investment Law.

\* Source: Bloomberg, Jordan Times, Zawya

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