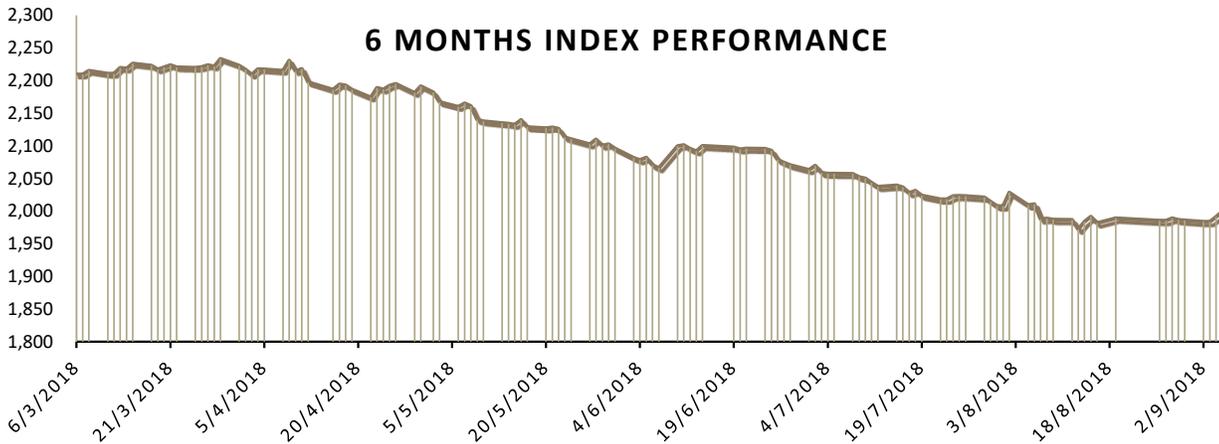


	Close	% Change	Year-to-Date (YTD)	Daily Volume (shares)	Daily Turnover (JOD)
AMMAN SE GENERAL INDEX	1,999.72	0.01%	-5.97%	2,708,358	2,895,913



Best Performing Companies

	% Change
UNION LAND DEVELOPMENT CORP	5.00
JORDAN MASAKEN FOR LAND & IN	5.00
JORDAN STEEL	4.65
ZARA INVESTMENTS	4.48
ARAB POTASH/THE	4.17

Worst Performing Companies

	% Change
TUHAMA FOR FINANCIAL INVESTM	(4.08)
ARAB UNION INTL INSURANCE	(4.65)
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	(4.72)
SOUTH ELECTRONICS	(6.67)
ARAB ALUMINIUM INDUSTRY	(7.39)

Top Traded Companies by Volume (Shares)

UNION INVESTMENT CORP	310,122
AL-TAJAMOUAT FOR CATERING HS	279,426
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	245,899
AD-DULAYL INDUSTRIAL PARK CO	174,290
ARAB EAST INVESTMENT	149,300

Top Traded Companies by Value (JOD)

UNION INVESTMENT CORP	380,853
ARAB BANK PLC	328,042
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	253,643
UNION LAND DEVELOPMENT CORP	220,933
BANK AL ETIHAD	184,193

Macroeconomic & Corporate News

Public debt ratio to GDP up to 96.1% in July

The total public debt amounted to JD28.118 billion, constituting 96.1 per cent of the estimated gross domestic product (GDP) at the end of July 2018, compared with JD27.269 billion, constituting 95.9 per cent of the GDP in 2017. The Ministry of Finance said in its monthly report on Wednesday that the net public debt at the end of July showed a rise of JD1.18 billion approximately, compared to the end of 2017, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. The ministry explained that the increase was driven by loans secured to offset the budget deficit, in addition to the government-guaranteed loans for the National Electricity Power Company (NEPCO) and the Water Authority. Meanwhile, Jordan's after-grant budget deficit amounted to JD659.7 million at the end of July compared with JD539.7 million for the same period of 2017, according to data provided by the Ministry of Finance. The ministry said the rise was driven by the payment of JD155 million in cash subsidy in the first half of the current year after the

Philippine president arrives in Amman for official visit

Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte arrived in Amman on Wednesday in an official several-day visit to the Kingdom, during which he will hold talks with His Majesty King Abdullah on means to enhance cooperation between the two countries. Upon arrival at Queen Alia International Airport, Duterte was received by Minister of Social Development Hala Latouf, head of the escort team, and the Philippine ambassador in Amman along with the ambassadors of Indonesia, Malaysia, Brunei and Thailand, as well as a number of civil and military officials. Duterte is accompanied by senior officials and representatives of the business community in the Philippines, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported.

'Over 12,000 electricity thefts during January-August period'

Jordanian agencies documented 12,958 alleged electricity thefts during the first eight months of the year, The Energy and Minerals Regulatory Commission (EMRC) chief commissioner, Farouq Hiyari, announced on Wednesday. Hiyari said that 1,222 lawsuits were filed with the courts during the same period, with courts issuing final rulings for 1,374 (some of which were originally filed before the January-August period), the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. The EMRC detected 6,442 of the total cases, the public security and gendarmerie departments 1,845, and electricity distribution companies reported 4,671, Hiyari noted. If convicted, those charged for electricity theft could face imprisonment up to two years, or a fine ranging from JD2,000 to JD10,000,

* Source: Bloomberg, Jordan Times, Zawya

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