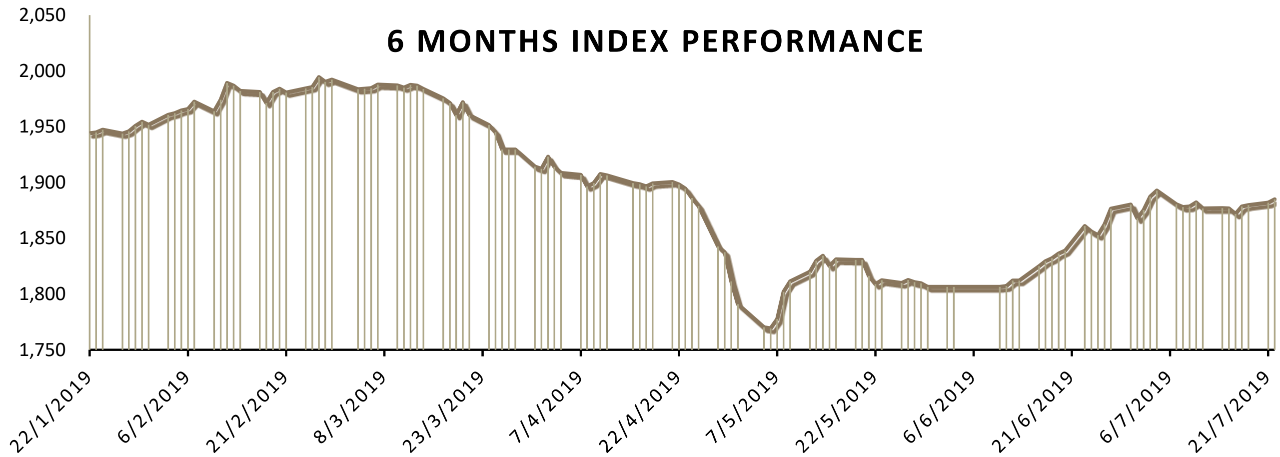
Amman Stock Exchange 25-Jul-19

	Close	% Change	Year-to-Date (YTD)	Daily Volume (shares)	Daily Turnover (JOD)
AMMAN SE GENERAL INDEX	**1,880.39**	**-0.26%**	**-1.49%**	**4,308,834**	**4,905,474**



Best Performing Companies

	% Change
ARAB ALUMINIUM INDUSTRY	6.94
JORDAN DECAPOLIS PROPERTIES	4.76
AMMOUN INTERNATIONAL FOR INV	4.05
NATL PORTFOLIO SECURITIES	3.75
AL ENTKAEYA FOR INVESTMENT	3.74

Worst Performing Companies

	% Change
AL-AMIN FOR INVESTMENT	(4.05)
AKARY FOR INDUSTRIES AND REA	(4.19)
ZARA INVESTMENTS	(4.55)
SABA'EK INVESTMENT	(4.65)
JORDAN VEGETABLE OIL INDUSTR	(4.71)

Top Traded Companies by Volume (Shares)

AL-TAJAMOUAT FOR CATERING HS	454,039
AL ENTKAEYA FOR INVESTMENT	428,246
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	384,565
JORDAN AHLI BANK	260,790
ARAB BANK PLC	216,000

Top Traded Companies by Value (JOD)

ARAB BANK PLC	1,300,473
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPC	530,579
AL ENTKAEYA FOR INVESTMENT	466,564
JORDAN PHOSPHATE MINES	428,875
JORDAN AHLI BANK	256,712

* Source: Bloomberg

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retail'JD150m spent online in 2018'

Jordanians spent more than JD150 million shopping online in 2018, according to the Jordan Customs Department (JCD).Director of customs clearance at Queen Alia International Airport, Mefleh Abueleim, said that tax and duty exemptions on items bought online reached JD100 million last year, thus affecting revenues and imports, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. According to Abueleim, online shopping has become an integral component of the country's commercial activity. Medications have topped the online purchases list with 15 per cent, followed by clothes with 10 per cent, while other categories included electric appliances, accessories, watches, perfume, cosmetics and nutrition supplements, he said.

JPF inks agreement to utilise printing press

The Jordan Press Foundation (JPF)/Al Rai and the Saeed Abbasi and Partners Company for Printing and Technical Services (Al Noor Printing Press) on Tuesday signed an agreement to establish a company to invest, operate and administrate the commercial printing press at the JPF’s headquarters. JPF Chairman Ayman Majali and Al Noor Printing Press General Manager Muhammad Abbasi signed the agreement on behalf of their respective institutions in the presence of JPF Director General Farid Silwani.Under the agreement, the new company will begin operations at the start of next year. Under the deal, the JPF will own 49 per cent of the company’s shares, and will rent Al Rai Commercial Press as well as part of the building owned by the JPF.

Gov’t seeking solutions to Aqaba’s development issues

The government is seeking solutions to Aqaba’s development issues, Prime Minister Omar Razzaz said on Tuesday, noting that the southern governorate is “making great strides” in economic, tourism and investment fields.

During a meeting with Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority (ASEZA) Chief Commissioner Nayef Bakhit, the governorate's MPs and a number of other officials, Razzaz noted that Aqaba’s education and healthcare sectors require increased support from the relevant ministries and public institutions, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. The premier stressed the importance of cooperation between the Royal Medical Services and the Ministry of Health in resolving the issues of the sector in Aqaba by developing comprehensive healthcare centres that provide services around the clock, especially in remote areas such as Wadi Araba and the Disi and Quraiqera valleys.

* Source: Bloomberg, Jordan Times, Zawya