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Economic and Political News

Citing sources, Reuters has reported that the National Executive Committee (NEC) of the African National Congress (ANC) is set to discuss this week whether Jacob Zuma should step down as South Africa's President.

The National Prosecuting Authority has confirmed that a preservation order is anticipated to be served today on Trillian and McKinsey for assets worth around ZAR1.6bn.

The JSE has indicated that if Eskom's interim results are not submitted by January 31, it may suspend trading of the power utility's debt. Eskom has reverted that it is committed to release its results on time.

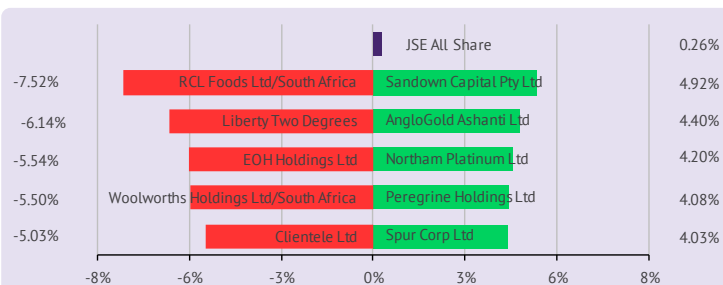
The Automobile Association stated that the price of petrol is set to decrease by at least 41.00c per litre, diesel by 23.00c and paraffin by 26.00c a litre at the end of the month.

South Africa summoned the United States' senior diplomat in Pretoria yesterday to express concerns over President Donald Trump's recent comments about African nations and Haiti.

South Africa Market ▲

South African markets closed higher

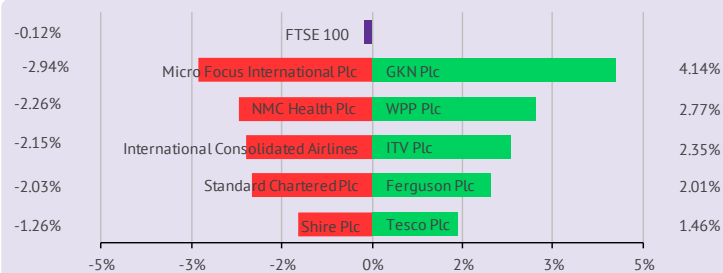
South African markets closed in the green yesterday, boosted by gains in mining and property sector stocks. The JSE All Share Index rose 0.3% to close at 60,240.96.



UK Market ▼

The FTSE 100 futures are trading in positive territory

UK markets finished lower yesterday, after a news emerged that shares of construction and outsourcing company, Carillion were suspended from trading, after the company filed for compulsory liquidation. The FTSE 100 Index declined 0.1% to close at 7,769.14.



Key Indices

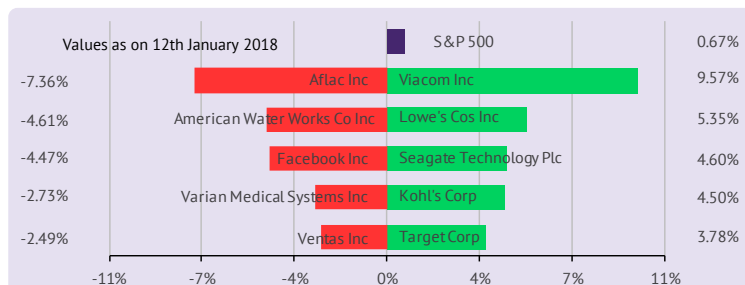
	Last Close	1 Day Chg	1 D % Chg	WTD % Chg	MTD % Chg	Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg
JSE All Share	60240.96	▲ 157.83	0.26%	0.26%	1.24%	-0.45%	1.24%
JSE Top 40	53431.53	▲ 135.43	0.25%	0.25%	1.71%	-1.38%	1.71%
FTSE 100	7769.14	▼ -9.50	-0.12%	-0.12%	1.06%	4.93%	1.06%
DAX 30	13200.51	▼ -44.52	-0.34%	-0.34%	2.19%	-0.82%	2.19%
CAC 40	5509.69	▼ -7.37	-0.13%	-0.13%	3.71%	-1.12%	3.71%
S&P 500*	2786.24	▲ 18.68	0.67%	0.00%	4.21%	0.98%	4.21%
Nasdaq Composite*	7261.06	▲ 49.28	0.68%	0.00%	5.18%	0.43%	5.18%
DJIA*	25803.19	▲ 228.46	0.89%	0.00%	4.39%	1.84%	4.39%

*Values as on 12th January 2018

US Market ▲

The S&P 500 futures are trading in the green

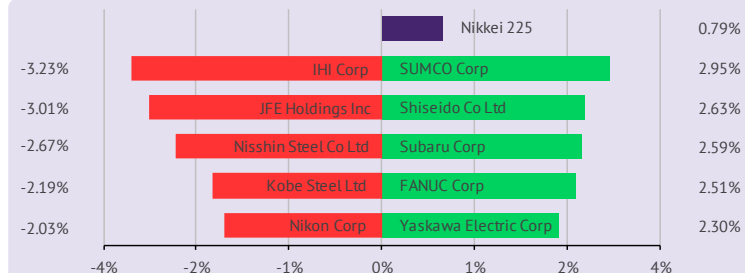
US markets were closed yesterday on account of public holiday.



Asian Market ▲

Trading higher

Asian markets are trading higher this morning. Data revealed that Japan's tertiary industry index advanced at a faster-than-expected pace on a monthly basis in November. The Nikkei 225 Index is trading 0.8% higher at 23,902.01.



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USDZAR ▼

USD trading lower against ZAR

At 06:00 SAST, the US Dollar marginally declined against the South African Rand to trade at R12.3041. Later today, traders will keep a close watch on the US Empire State manufacturing index for further indication.

The US Dollar fell against the South African Rand yesterday, following reports that the African National Congress (ANC) will discuss whether President, Jacob Zuma, should step down as head of state and ahead of the South African Reserve Bank's interest rate decision.

GBPZAR ▼

GBP trading weaker against ZAR

At 06:00 SAST, the British Pound is trading 0.1% lower against the South African Rand at R16.9633. Later today, traders will keep an eye on UK's consumer price index (CPI), retail price index and house price index for further cues.

The British Pound declined against the South African Rand yesterday.

EURZAR ▼

EUR trading lower against ZAR

At 06:00 SAST, the Euro is trading 0.1% weaker against the South African Rand at R15.0830, erasing its previous session gains. Going forward, market participants will keep a tab on German CPI and the wholesale price index for further direction.

The Euro strengthened against the South African Rand yesterday, amid optimism over Eurozone's economic outlook and German coalition talks. Moreover, the nation's trade surplus widened more-than-expected in November, further boosting the currency.

AUDZAR ▼

AUD trading lower against ZAR

At 06:00 SAST, the Australian Dollar is trading 0.1% weaker against the South African Rand at R9.7981. Earlier in the session, Australia's ANZ Roy Morgan consumer confidence index recorded a rise during the week ended 14 January 2018.

The Australian Dollar rose against the South African Rand yesterday.

Key Currencies & Commodities

	Current		1 D % Chg	WTD % Chg	MTD % Chg	Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg
USDZAR	12.3041	▼	-0.49%	-0.49%	-0.62%	-9.60%	-0.62%
GBPZAR	16.9633	▼	-0.03%	-0.03%	1.50%	-9.84%	1.50%
EURZAR	15.0830	▼	0.02%	0.02%	1.60%	-8.96%	1.60%
AUDZAR	9.7981	▼	0.15%	0.15%	1.45%	-6.85%	1.45%
EURUSD	1.2258	▼	0.51%	0.51%	2.16%	0.85%	2.16%
GBPUSD	1.3786	▼	0.47%	0.47%	2.06%	-0.09%	2.06%
Brent (\$/barrel)	70.0	▼	0.56%	0.56%	5.07%	6.77%	5.07%
Gold (\$/oz)#	1340.9	▲	0.90%	NA	1.96%	2.84%	1.96%
Platinum (\$/oz)#	991.2	=	0.00%	NA	6.10%	-0.88%	6.10%
Copper (\$/MT)*	7181.3	▲	1.51%	1.51%	-0.36%	7.01%	-0.36%

*As of Previous Close #Values as on 12th January 2018

Gold ▲

Trading in the green

At 06:00 SAST, gold prices gained 0.4% to trade at \$1,340.90/oz.

On Friday, gold prices rose 0.9% to close at \$1,334.90/oz.

Brent Crude Oil ▼

Trading weaker

At 06:00 SAST, Brent crude oil fell 0.4% to trade at \$70.01/bl.

Yesterday, Brent crude oil advanced 0.6% to settle at \$70.26/bl, on the back of production curbs by the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries nations and Russia as well as strong demand.

Platinum ◀▶

Trading flat

At 06:00 SAST, platinum prices traded flat at \$991.20/oz.

On Friday, platinum prices climbed 0.4% to close at \$991.20/oz.



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Major South Africa Corporate News

Aspen Pharmacare Holdings Limited

The company announced that the China Food and Drug Administration has approved its infant milk formula brand, Alula.

Major Global Economic News

Eurozone

In the Eurozone, the seasonally adjusted trade surplus expanded to EUR22.50bn in November, compared to a trade surplus of EUR19.00bn in the previous month. Markets were anticipating the region's a trade surplus to widen to EUR22.30bn.

Asia

In Japan, the tertiary industry index registered a rise of 1.1% on a monthly basis in November, higher than market expectations for an advance of 0.3%. The index had registered a revised rise of 0.2% in the prior month.

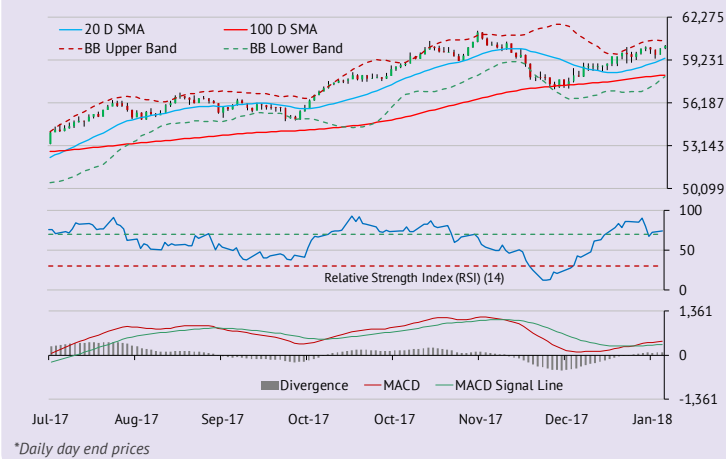
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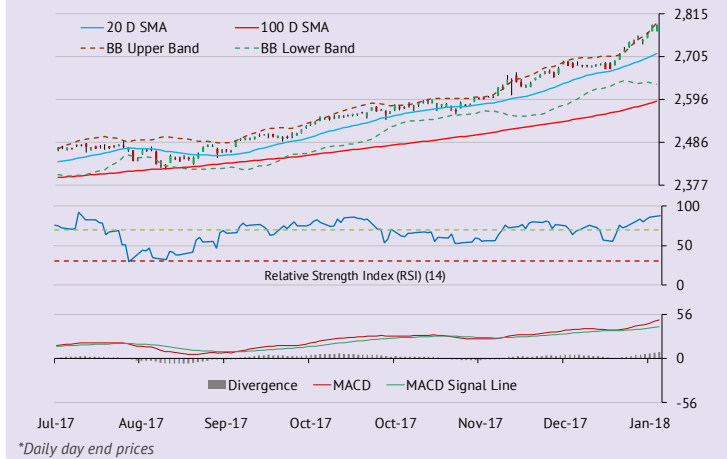
Technical Snapshot

JSE All Share



The JSE All Share index is expected to find support at 59,625.05, and a fall through could take it to the next support level of 59,009.15. The index is expected to find its first resistance at 60,588.70, and a rise through could take it to the next resistance level of 60,936.45.

S&P 500



The S&P 500 index is expected to find support at 2,752.25, and a fall through could take it to the next support level of 2,718.26. The index is expected to find its first resistance at 2,804.04, and a rise through could take it to the next resistance level of 2,821.84.

USDZAR



The pair is expected to find support at 12.1948, and a fall through could take it to the next support level of 12.0834. The pair is expected to find its first resistance at 12.4819, and a rise through could take it to the next resistance level of 12.6576.

XAU/USD



Gold is expected to find support at \$1,315.87/oz, and a fall through could take it to the next support level of \$1,296.83/oz. The precious metal is expected to find its first resistance at \$1,346.97/oz, and a rise through could take it to the next resistance level of \$1,359.03/oz.

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Economic Calendar

Country	SAST	Economic Indicator	Relevance	Consensus/ *Actual	Previous/ **Previous Est.	Frequency
Japan	01:50	Domestic Corporate Goods Price Index (MoM) (Dec)	✓	0.20%*	0.50%	Monthly
Japan	01:50	Domestic Corporate Goods Price Index (YoY) (Dec)	✓	3.10%*	3.60%	Monthly
Japan	06:30	Bankruptcies (YoY) (Dec)	✓✓	-197%*	-2.30%	Monthly
Japan	06:30	Tertiary Industry Index (MoM) (Nov)	✓✓	1.10%*	0.30%	Monthly
Germany	09:00	Wholesale Price Index (MoM) (Dec)	✓	-	0.50%	Monthly
Germany	09:00	Wholesale Price Index (YoY) (Dec)	✓	-	3.30%	Monthly
Germany	09:00	Consumer Price Index (MoM) (Dec) (F)	✓✓✓	0.60%	0.70%**	Monthly
Germany	09:00	Consumer Price Index (YoY) (Dec) (F)	✓✓✓	1.70%	1.70%**	Monthly
Italy	11:00	Consumer Price Index (YoY) (Dec) (F)	✓✓✓	-	0.90%**	Monthly
UK	11:15	Woods, Boss and Yallop testify on PRA before UK lawmakers	✓	-	-	As scheduled
UK	11:30	Retail Price Index Ex Food (Dec)	✓	-	285.40	Monthly
South Africa	11:30	Gold Production (YoY) (Nov)	✓✓	-	-0.90%	Monthly
UK	11:30	Consumer Price Index (YoY) (Dec)	✓✓✓	3.00%	3.10%	Monthly
UK	11:30	Consumer Price Index Core (YoY) (Dec)	✓✓✓	2.60%	2.70%	Monthly
UK	11:30	Retail Price Index (YoY) (Dec)	✓✓	3.90%	3.90%	Monthly
South Africa	11:30	Mining Production (YoY) (Nov)	✓✓	5.10%	5.20%	Monthly
UK	11:30	Retail Price Index (Dec)	✓	277.60	275.80	Monthly
UK	11:30	Consumer Price Index (MoM) (Dec)	✓✓✓	0.40%	0.30%	Monthly
UK	11:30	PPI Core Output n.s.a. (MoM) (Dec)	✓	0.20%	0.20%	Monthly
UK	11:30	PPI Core Output n.s.a. (YoY) (Dec)	✓✓	2.30%	2.20%	Monthly
UK	11:30	Producer Price Index - Input n.s.a. (MoM) (Dec)	✓	0.40%	1.80%	Monthly
UK	11:30	Producer Price Index - Input n.s.a. (YoY) (Dec)	✓	5.30%	7.30%	Monthly
UK	11:30	Retail Price Index (MoM) (Dec)	✓✓✓	0.60%	0.20%	Monthly
UK	11:30	Retail Price Index Ex Mort Int.Payments (YoY) (Dec)	✓✓	3.90%	4.00%	Monthly
US	15:30	NY Empire State Manufacturing Index (Jan)	✓✓	19.00	18.00	Monthly

Note: ✓✓✓ High ✓✓ Medium ✓ Low

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