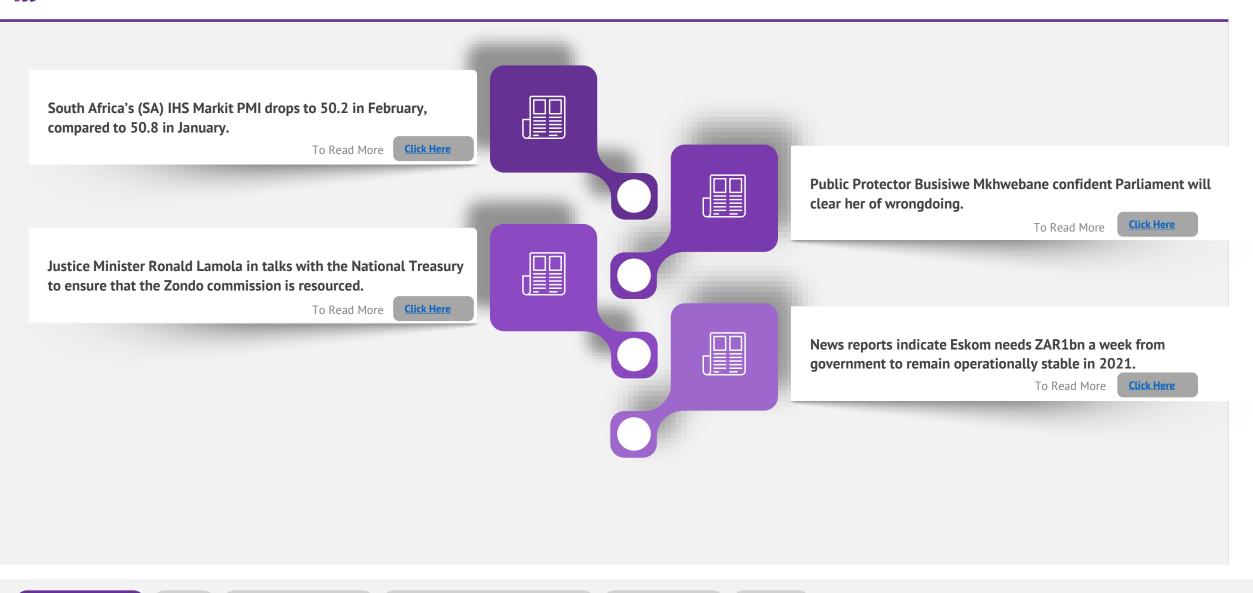






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South Africa Market 🔻

South African markets closed in the red yesterday, weighed down by losses in banking and resources sector stocks.

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US markets closed weaker yesterday, led by losses in technology sector stocks.

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JSE All Sh	are (ZAR)	JSE Top	40 (ZAR)	JSE Africa Fin. (ZAR)	
▼ 68,326.79		▼ 62,861.62		12,571.60	
1 Day Chg	1 D % Chg	1 Day Chg	1 D % Chg	1 Day Chg 3.12	1 D % Chg
-183.96	-0.27	-243.08	-0.39		0.02
WTD % Chg.	MTD % Chg.	WTD % Chg.	MTD % Chg.	WTD % Chg.	MTD % Chg.
3.31	3.31	3.47	3.47	3.05	3.05
Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg.	Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg.	Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg.
5.87	15.01	6.01	15.60	4.37	4.24

S&P 50	0 (USD)	Nasdaq Com	posite (USD)	DJIA (USD)	
▼	3,819.72	▼ 12,997.75		▼ 31,270.09	
1 Day Chg -50.57	1 D % Chg -1.31	1 Day Chg -361.04	1 D % Chg -2.70	1 Day Chg -121.43	1 D % Chg -0.39
WTD % Chg. 0.22	MTD % Chg.	WTD % Chg. -1.48	MTD % Chg. -1.48	WTD % Chg. 1.09	MTD % Chg. 1.09
Prev. Month % Chg 2.61	YTD % Chg. 1.69	Prev. Month % Chg 0.93	YTD % Chg. 0.85	Prev. Month % Chg 3.17	YTD % Chg. 2.17

JSE All Share

S&P 500

Top Gainers



Top Losers Top Gainers



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African Rainbow Capital Investments L	8.9% - 4.1%	BHP Group Plc	Lumen Technologies Inc	7.3% -12.5%	Etsy Inc
Textainer Group Holdings Ltd	7.8% -3.9%	African Rainbow Minerals Ltd	Norwegian Cruise Line Holdings Ltd	6.3% -12.0%	MarketAxess Holdings Inc
City Lodge Hotels Ltd	7.8% -3.8%	Brait SE	HollyFrontier Corp	5.5% -6.4%	Align Technology Inc
Sappi Ltd	7.0% -3.0%	Murray & Roberts Holdings Ltd	Unum Group	4.9% -6.2%	Enphase Energy Inc
Hammerson Plc	6.1% -2.5%	Clicks Group Ltd	Diamondback Energy Inc	4.8% -6.1%	ServiceNow Inc





UK Market 🔼

UK markets finished higher yesterday, as banking, leisure and homebuilding sector stocks gained following Finance Minister Rishi Sunak's budget plan.

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	Asia Market 🔻	

Asian markets are trading lower this morning, tracking overnight losses on Wall Street. The Nikkei 225 Index is trading 2.4% lower at 28,865.35.

*As at 6:00 SAST

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FTSE 10	0 (GBP)	DAX 30) (EUR)	CAC 40 (EUR)	
▲ 6,675.47		▲ 14,080.03		▲ 5,830.06	
1 Day Chg 61.72	1 D % Chg 0.93	1 Day Chg 40.23	1 D % Chg 0.29	1 Day Chg 20.33	1 D % Chg 0.35
WTD % Chg. 2.96	MTD % Chg. 2.96	WTD % Chg. 2.13	MTD % Chg. 2.13	WTD % Chg. 2.22	MTD % Chg. 2.22
Prev. Month % Chg 1.19	YTD % Chg. 3.33	Prev. Month % Chg 2.63	YTD % Chg. 2.63	Prev. Month % Chg 5.63	YTD % Chg. 5.02

Nikkei 2	25* (JPY)	Shanghai Com	posite* (CNY)	Hang Seng* (HKD)	
▼	28,865.35	▼ 3,520.24		▼ 29,147.03	
1 Day Chg	1 D % Chg	1 Day Chg	1 D % Chg	1 Day Chg	1 D % Chg
-693.75	-2.35	-56.66	-1.58	-733.39	-2.45
WTD % Chg.	MTD % Chg.	WTD % Chg.	MTD % Chg.	WTD % Chg.	MTD % Chg.
2.05	2.05	1.93	1.93	3.11	3.11
Prev. Month % Chg 4.71	YTD % Chg.	Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg.	Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg.
	7.71	0.75	2.99	2.46	9.73

FTSE 100

Nikkei 225



Top Gainers









Barratt Developments Plc	7.1% -2.8%	Avast Plc	Hitachi Zosen Corp	19.5% -8.7	% Sumitomo Metal Mining Co Ltd
Persimmon Plc	6.8% -2.7%	Scottish Mortgage Investment Trust Plc	Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha Ltd	3.8% -5.5	% SoftBank Group Corp
International Consolidated Airlines Group	6.8% -2.5%	Severn Trent Plc	Shinsei Bank Ltd	3.2% -5.1	% Mitsui Mining & Smelting Co Ltd
BT Group Plc	6.8% -2.3%	SSE Plc	Mitsui OSK Lines Ltd	2.6% -5.1	% Pacific Metals Co Ltd
Taylor Wimpey Plc	6.0% -2.2%	National Grid Plc	<mark>Sho</mark> wa Denko KK	2.5% -4.1	% Fast Retailing Co Ltd



Currencies



At 06:00 SAST, the US Dollar advanced 0.12% against the South African Rand.

The US Dollar rose against the South African Rand yesterday.



At 06:00 SAST, the British Pound is trading 0.06% higher against the South African Rand.

The British Pound climbed against the South African Rand yesterday, following British Finance Minister Rishi Sunak announced an extension to emergency aid programmes.

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At 06:00 SAST, the Euro marginally rose against the South African Rand.

The Euro strengthened against the South African Rand yesterday.



At 06:00 SAST, the Australian Dollar is trading 0.23% firmer against the South African Rand.

The Australian Dollar gained against the South African Rand

Commodities



▲ 0.55%

Brent (\$/barrel)

64.42

At 06:00 SAST, Brent crude oil rose.

Yesterday, Brent crude oil climbed, on prospects of output cuts by the OPEC and its allies. The US Energy Information Administration (EIA) reported that oil inventories rose by 21.6mn bls to 484.6mn bls last week.

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At 06:00 SAST, gold prices edged lower.

Yesterday, gold prices fell, amid rise in the US Treasury yields and strength in the US dollar.

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At 06:00 SAST, platinum prices declined.

Yesterday, platinum prices dropped.



Copper (\$/MT)* 9,128.25

Yesterday, copper prices have fallen.

* As of previous close





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African Rainbow Minerals Ltd

1H21 revenues rose 66.1% to ZAR9.81bn compared to the same period last year.

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Brimstone Investment Corp Ltd

FY20 revenues advanced to ZAR4.71bn compared to ZAR4.44bn in the preceding year.

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Murray & Roberts Holdings Ltd

Diluted loss per share stood at 13.00c compared to an EPS of 50.00c in the same period last year.

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Major Global Economic News



US

The Markit services PMI advanced to a 6-year high in February.

Private sector employment rose less than expected in February.

Fed's Beige Book: Indicated that the US economy grew modestly and expressed optimism over COVID-19 vaccine rollouts.



Eurozone

Eurozone's producer price index (PPI) recorded a flat reading in January.

Eurozone's Markit services PMI slightly rose in February.

Germany's Markit services PMI dropped in February, hitting its lowest level since May.



Asia

Australia's trade surplus widened in January.

Australia's retail sales rose less than expected in January.



UK

The Markit services PMI climbed less than expected in February.

Finance Minister Rishi Sunak pledged to protect jobs and extended the furlough scheme till September.



))) Economic Calendar

	Country	SAST	Economic Indicator	Relevance	Consensus	Previous	Frequency
	UK	11:30	Markit Construction PMI (Feb)	***	51.00	49.20	Monthly
	Eurozone	12:00	Unemployment Rate (Jan)	***	8.30%	8.30%	Monthly
	Eurozone	12:00	Retail Sales (MoM) (Jan)	***	-1.10%	2.00%	Monthly
	Eurozone	12:00	Retail Sales (YoY) (Jan)	***	-1.20%	0.60%	Monthly
>=	South Africa	13:00	Electricity Consumption (YoY) (Jan)	*	9-0	1.70%	Monthly
	South Africa	13:00	Electricity Production (YoY) (Jan)	*		1.10%	Monthly
	US	15:30	Non-Farm Productivity (Q4) (F)	*	1 1 3	5.10%	Quarterly
	US	15:30	Initial Jobless Claims (27-Feb)	***	750.00K	730.00K	Weekly
	US	17:00	Durable Goods Orders (Jan) (F)	***		1.20%	Monthly
	US	17:00	Factory Orders (MoM) (Jan)	***		1.10%	Monthly
	US	17:30	EIA Natural Gas Storage Change (26-Feb)	***	-	-338.00Bcf	Weekly
	US	19:05	Fed's Chair Powell speech	***		-	As Scheduled

Note: ★★★ High ★★ Medium ★Low



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