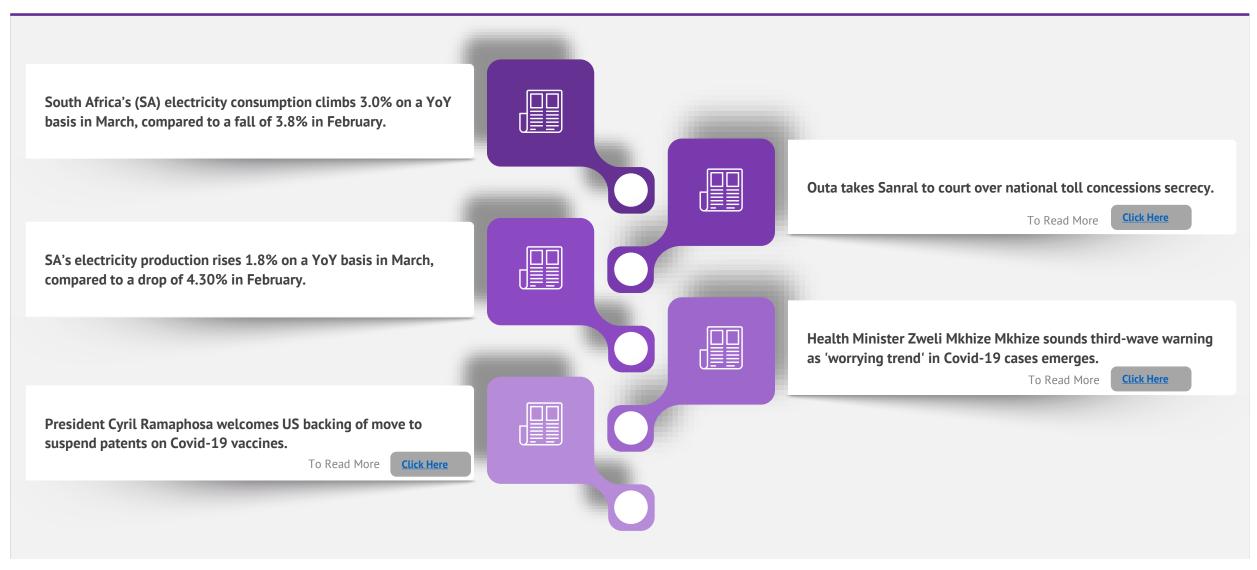






Economic and Political News







South Africa Market

South African markets closed in the green yesterday, boosted by gains in retail, banking and financial sector stocks.

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0.59

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4.20

Top Losers

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JSE Top	40 (ZAR)	JSE Africa Fin. (ZAR)			
	61,705.88	▲ 12,566.93			
1 Day Chg 169.41	1 D % Chg 0.28	1 Day Chg 210.45	1 D % Chg 1.70		
WTD % Chg. 1.00	MTD % Chg. 1.00	WTD % Chg. 1.84	MTD % Chg. 1.84		
Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg.	Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg.		



US markets closed firmer yesterday, following better than expected US jobless claims data.

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Top Losers

S&P 50	0 (USD)	Nasdaq Composite (USD)		DJIA (USD)		
A	4,201.62	▲ 13,632.84		▲ 34,548.53		
1 Day Chg 34.03	1 D % Chg 0.82	1 Day Chg 50.42	1 D % Chg 0.37	1 Day Chg 318.19	1 D % Chg 0.93	
WTD % Chg. 0.49	MTD % Chg. 0.49	WTD % Chg. - <mark>2.36</mark>	MTD % Chg. -2.36	WTD % Chg . 1.99	MTD % Chg. 1.99	
Prev. Month % Chg 5.24	YTD % Chg. 11.86	Prev. Month % Chg 5.40	YTD % Chg. 5.78	Prev. Month % Chg 2.71	YTD % Chg. 12.88	

JSE All Share

13.47

0.35

S&P 500



Top Gainers

JSE All Share (ZAR)

1 Day Chg

262.70

WTD % Chg.

1.00

Prev. Month % Chg

0.68

67,608.89

1 D % Chg

0.39

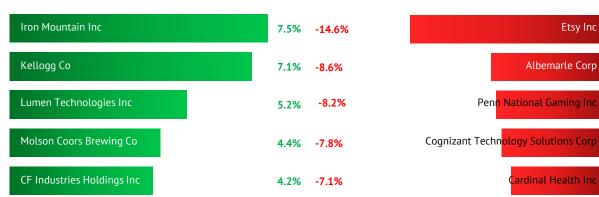
MTD % Chg. 1.00

YTD % Chg.

13.80

Harmony Gold Mining Co Ltd Montauk Renewables Inc 5.6% -5.1% Anheuser-Busch InBe Anglo American Platinum Ltd 4.3% -4.7% Distell Group Holdings Ltd Sappi Ltd 4.3% -4.3% DRDGOLD Ltd Northam Platinum Ltd 4.0% -4.1% Alexander Forbes Group Holdings Ltd RFG Holdings Ltd 4.0% -2.7%

Top Gainers







UK Market 🔼

UK markets finished higher yesterday, following upbeat earnings reports and as the Bank of England (BoE) raised its growth forecast for the economy.

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FTSE 10	00 (GBP)	DAX 30 (EUR)		CAC 40 (EUR)		
▲ 7,076.17		▲ 15,196.74		▲ 6,357.09		
1 Day Chg	1 D % Chg	1 Day Chg	1 D % Chg	1 Day Chg	1 D % Chg	
36.87	0.52	25.96	0.17	17.62	0.28	
WTD % Chg.	MTD % Chg.	WTD % Chg.	MTD % Chg.	WTD % Chg.	MTD % Chg.	
1.53	1.53	0.40	0.40	1.40	1.40	
Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg.	Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg.	Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg.	
3.82	9.53	0.85	10.77	3.33	14.51	



Asia Market 🔥

Asian markets are trading higher this morning, tracking overnight gains on Wall Street. The Nikkei 225 Index is trading 0.1% higher at 29,364.63.

*As at 6:00 SAST

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Nikkei 22	25* (JPY)	Shanghai Composite* (CNY)		Hang Seng* (HKD)		
A	29,364.63	▲ 3,455.78		▲ 28,775.80		
1 Day Chg	1 D % Chg	1 Day Chg	1 D % Chg	1 Day Chg	1 D % Chg	
33.26	0.11	14.50	0.42	138.34	0.48	
WTD % Chg.	MTD % Chg.	WTD % Chg.	MTD % Chg.	WTD % Chg.	MTD % Chg.	
1.80	1.80	-0.16	- <mark>0.16</mark>	-0.30	-0.30	
Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg.	Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg.	Prev. Month % Chg	YTD % Chg.	
-1.25	6.88	0.14	- <mark>0.92</mark>	1.22	5.16	

FTSE 100

Nikkei 225



Top Gainers



Top Losers Top Gainers





Fresnillo Plc	6.2% -4.7%	Admiral Group Plc	Toho Zinc Co Ltd	3.7% -3.6%	Kyowa Hakko Kirin Co Ltd
British American Tobacco Plc	3.2% -3.2%	Ocado Group Plc	SCREEN Holdings Co Ltd	3.4% -2.5%	Nomura Holdings Inc
Imperial Brands Plc	3.0% -2.3%	Renishaw Plc	Hitachi Construction Machinery Co Ltd	3.2% - 2.5%	Keio Corp
Legal & General Group Plc	2.8% -2.2%	Pershing Square Holdings Ltd	Shinsei Bank Ltd	3.1% -2.4%	M3 Inc
National Grid Plc	2.6% -2.2%	WPP Plc	Pacific Metals Co Ltd	3.0% -2.2%	O <mark>dakyu Electric Railway Co Ltd</mark>



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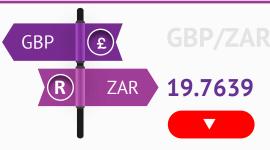


At 06:00 SAST, the US Dollar marginally retreated against the South African Rand.

The US Dollar fell against the South African Rand yesterday, as risk appetite returned among investors.

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At 06:00 SAST, the British Pound is trading 0.07% higher against the South African Rand.

The British Pound declined against the South African Rand yesterday.



At 06:00 SAST, the Euro rose 0.06% against the South African Rand.

The Euro weakened against the South African Rand yesterday.



At 06:00 SAST, the Australian Dollar is trading 0.12% lower against the South African Rand.

The Australian Dollar dropped against the South African Rand yesterday.

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Commodities



▲ 0.54%

Brent (\$/barrel)

68.46

At 06:00 SAST, Brent crude oil rose.

Yesterday, Brent crude oil dropped, amid concerns over rising COVID-19 infections in India.

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At 06:00 SAST, gold prices edged higher.

Yesterday, gold prices rose, amid weakness in the greenback.

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At 06:00 SAST, platinum prices gained.

Yesterday, platinum prices advanced.



Copper (\$/MT)* 10,095.50

Yesterday, copper prices have risen.

* As of previous close





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Gold Fields Limited

Group production guidance remains unchanged, however 2 mines within the group have been impacted by COVID-19 during 1Q21.

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Given a stable operational outlook and favourable precious metals fundamentals, the outlook for 2021 is expected to be positive.

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Major Global Economic News



US

Initial jobless claims dropped to its lowest level in 14 months last week.



Eurozone

Eurozone's retail sales rose more than anticipated in March.

Germany's factory orders surged in March.



Asia

Australia's AiG performance of services index rose in April.

Caixin services China's PMI climbed in April.

The Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) reiterated that it will not raise rates until 2024.



UK

The Markit services PMI climbed at its fastest pace since December 2013 in April.

The BoE kept its key interest rate unchanged and raised its estimate for UK GDP growth to 7.25% in 2021.



))) Economic Calendar

	Country	SAST	Economic Indicator	Relevance	Consensus/*Actuals	Previous	Frequency
	Japan	02:30	Nikkei Japan Services PMI (Apr) (F)	**	49.50*	48.30	Monthly
*3	China	03:45	Caixin/Markit Services PMI (Apr)	***	56.30*	54.30	Monthly
	Switzerland	07:45	Unemployment Rate s.a. (Apr)	**	3.60%	3.30%	Monthly
	Germany	08:00	Industrial Production s.a. (MoM) (Mar)	***	2.30%	-1.60%	Monthly
	Germany	08:00	Current Account n.s.a. (Mar)	*	35	EUR18.80bn	Monthly
	Germany	08:00	Trade Balance n.s.a. (Mar)	***		EUR18.10bn	Monthly
>=	South Africa	08:00	Net Gold & Forex Reserve (Apr)	*	1 1 3	USD50.88bn	Monthly
>=	South Africa	08:00	Gross Gold & Forex Reserve (Apr)	*		USD53.00bn	Monthly
>=	South Africa	11:30	SACCI Business Confidence Index (Apr)	*		94.00	Monthly
	US	14:30	Unemployment Rate (Apr)	***	5.80%	6.00%	Monthly
	US	16:00	Wholesale Inventories (MoM) (Mar) (F)	***	1.40%	0.90%	Monthly
	US	19:00	Baker Hughes US Oil Rig Count (07-May)	*	- ·	342.00	Weekly

Note: ★★★ High ★★ Medium ★Low



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