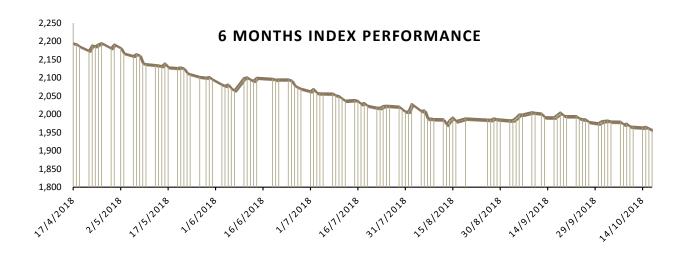


Amman Stock Exchange

17-Oct-18

	Close	% Change	Year-to-Date (YTD)	Daily Volume (shares)	Daily Turnover (JOD)
AMMAN SE GENERAL INDEX	1,957.44	-0.22%	-7.96%	5,064,110	4,436,615



Best Performing Companies		Worst Performing Companies		
	% Change		% Change	
SOUTH ELECTRONICS	7.69	INJAZ FOR DEVELOPMENT AND PR	(4.31)	
EMMAR INVESTMENTS & REAL EST	5.56	REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT	(4.35)	
SALAM INTL TRANSPORT & TRAD	4.76	JORDAN MASAKEN FOR LAND & IN	(4.67)	
UNITED IRON & STEEL MANUFACT	4.44	ARAB UNION INTL INSURANCE	(5.00)	
CENTURY INVESTMENT GROUP	4.42	AMAD INVESTMENT & REAL ESTAT	(5.00)	
Top Traded Companies by Volume (Shares)		Top Traded Companies by Value (JOD)		
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	906,421	SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	1,115,565	
COMPREHENSIVE LAND DEVELOPME	663,850	COMPREHENSIVE LAND DEVELOPN	477,991	
AL-TAJAMOUAT FOR TOURISTIC P	374,828	UNION LAND DEVELOPMENT CORF	240,082	
RUM TOURIST TRANSPORTATION C	269,612	JORDAN PIPES MANUFACTURING	215,442	
INTERMEDIATE PETROCHEMICHALS	226,475	RUM TOURIST TRANSPORTATION (190,671	
* Source: Bloomberg				



Macroeconomic & Corporate News

Business sector eager for return to normality as offices open at border

Cargo movement between Jordan and Syria is expected to start next week, as 30 clearance offices resumed their work at the Jaber border crossing with Syria, according to sector leaders. Cargo movement, which was halted in 2015, forced more than 172 clearances companies to shut down their offices at the border crossing and put more than 5,000 trucks drivers out of work as Syria was not only a big market for Jordan but also a major route for Jordanian commodities to other markets, they said. "Around 30 clearances offices opened today at the border crossing and more will open soon... They are in the process of finalising some paper work and I expect the cargo movement to start next week," Deifallah Abu Aqouleh, president of the Association of Owners of Clearance and Transport Companies, told The Jordan Times on Tuesday. "We have been receiving many calls from traders from the Gulf, Lebanon and Syria about when the freight movement will be resumed, as they are eager to start their exporting and importing commodities using trucks, which is less costly for them," he said. After the closure of the Jaber border crossing, traders

Despite Labour Law, agriculture sector suffers from 'persistent deficits' — ILO

Jordan's agricultural sector is currently suffering from "persistent deficits in decent work and employment conditions for workers", a report issued by the International Labour Organisation (ILO) said recently, pointing to that a large number of workers in the sector are either migrant workers or Syrian refugees.

The shortcomings identified by the report included a lack of wage protection, an absence of social security coverage for workers, and poor occupational safety and health measures, while the majority of worksites included in the study were "rarely, if ever, visited by labour inspectors, who otherwise play an important role to ensure compliance with national labour legislation and international standards". The Ministry of Labour was not available for comment on the report, despite several attempts of contact by The Jordan Times. The results were based on a survey targeting 1,125 Syrian agricultural workers with work permits, which assessed the workers' employment history, work permit status, working conditions and work arrangements. In addition, the study US contributes \$46.2 million to UNICEF in 2018

The US contributed a total of \$46.2 million to UNICEF in 2018 as part of a grant to support vulnerable children in Jordan, including Syrian refugees, a statement from UNICEF said. "The US contribution comes at a critical time for UNICEF when funding gaps are threatening the sustainability of services to children in Jordan," said the UNICEF Representative Robert Jenkins in the statement. According to the statement, the US is one of the largest contributors to UNICEF operations in Jordan.

* Source: Bloomberg, Jordan Times, Zawya

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