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Regional Markets	Index	WTD	MoM	YTD
Amman SE (ASE)	2,125.1	-0.3%	0.3%	-0.1%
Dubai FM (DFM)	3,463.6	2.8%	0.9%	2.8%
Abu Dhabi SE (ADX)	4,548.4	3.4%	5.1%	3.4%
Saudi SE (TASI)	7,277.1	0.6%	2.4%	0.7%
Kuwait SE (KSE)	6,454.16	0.7%	3.7%	0.7%
Doha SM (DSM)	8,630.7	1.2%	8.8%	1.3%
Bahrain SE (BAX)	1,312.3	0.5%	3.0%	-1.5%
Muscat SM (MSM)	5,104.9	1.1%	-0.1%	0.1%

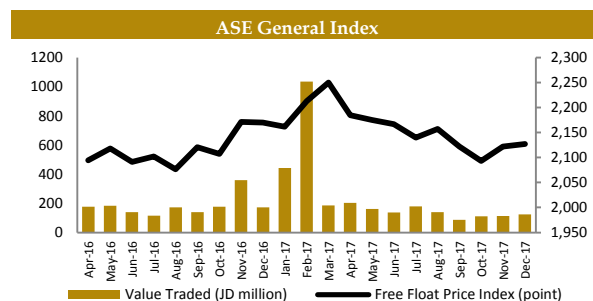
Source: Reuters

Sector Indices	Value Traded (JOD)	No. of Shares	Close	% Change
Financial	7,355,673	8,355,673	2,883	-0.38%
Banks	1,186,715	465,143	4,367	-0.50%
Insurance	614,544	925,898	1,951	-0.78%
Diversified Fin. S	3,262,258	4,547,135	1,485	0.21%
Real Estate	2,292,156	2,816,728	1,686	1.01%
Services	2,613,227	2,613,227	1,440	-0.55%
Industrial	3,838,739	4,469,739	2,229	0.19%

Source: ASE

News and Updates

- Figures released by Amman Stock Exchange showed that the total value of shares bought by international investors during 2017 stood at JD 994.9 million, representing 34% of the overall trading value, while the value of shares sold by international investors reached JD 1,329.2 million during the same period. Accordingly, the net of international investments declined by JD 334.3 million during 2017, compared to an increase of JD 237.1 million recorded in 2016.
- According to the Ministry of Finance, Jordan's budget deficit after grants in 2017 stood at JD 750 million, compared to a budget deficit of JD 880 million recorded in 2016. Jordan's domestic revenues increased by 0.2% during 2017 to amount to JD 6,717 million, compared to JD 6,233 million registered in 2016. Foreign grants amounted to JD 708 million in 2017, compared to JD 835 million recorded in the prior year. Total current expenditures amounted to JD 7,098 million during 2017, compared to JD 6,919 million recorded during 2016. Capital expenditures increased by 4.6% during 2017 to reach JD 1,078 million, compared to JD 1,029 million registered in 2016.
- Figures published by the Central Bank of Jordan showed that 4,674,794 transactions worth JD 3,345.08 million have been processed through Madfoatcom's eFAWATEERcom service during 2017, compared to 1,837,270 transactions worth JD 560.85 million processed during 2016.
- Remittances from Jordanians working abroad during the first eleven months of 2017 amounted to USD 3.4 billion, equaling the amount recorded during the same period of 2016.



Market Breadth	Gainers	Losers	Unchanged
	56	53	32

Top Gainers	Price	% Change
Jordan Mortgage Refinance	3.00	129.01%
International Brokerage & Financial Markets	0.14	16.67%
Jordan Masaken For Land & Industrial Development Projects	3.53	14.98%

Source: ASE

Top Losers	Price	% Change
Rumm Financial Brokerage	1.42	-17.44%
Century Investment Group	2.16	-11.84%
Consultant & Investment Group	1.92	-10.70%

Source: ASE

Most Active	Price	Number of Shares Traded
United Cable Industries	0.38	1,065,095
Rum Group for Transportation and Tourism Investment	0.73	1,060,495
Union Investment Corporation	1.17	966,924

Source: ASE

Top Value Traded	Price	Value Traded (JOD)
Union Tobacco & Cigarette Industries	3.00	1,197,731
Union Investment Corporation	1.17	1,136,087
Century Investment Group	2.16	845,574

Source: ASE

Trading by Investor Type (31 December 2017 - 4 January 2018)	Buy	Sell
Retail	82.6%	84.7%
Institutional	17.4%	15.3%

Source: SDC

Trading by Nationality (31 December 2017 - 4 January 2018)	Buy	Sell
Jordanian	95.1%	93.5%
Arab	4.2%	5.6%
International	0.6%	0.9%

Source: SDC

- Figures released by the Department of Statistics showed that Jordan's trade deficit widened during the first ten months of 2017 by 11% to reach JD 7.550 billion. The Kingdom's total exports during the first ten months of 2017 contracted by 2.7% to stand at JD 4.351 million, while total imports increased by 5.6% during the same period to reach JD 11.9 billion.
- Data released by the Department of Statistics showed that the unemployment rate in Jordan reached 18.5% in the third quarter of 2017, compared to unemployment rate of 15.9% registered in the third quarter of 2016.
- Statistics released by Airport International Group showed that the number of passengers travelled through Queen Alia International Airport during the first eleven months of 2017 reached 7.338 million passengers, representing an increase of 6.8% compared to the same period of 2016.
- According to the Department of Statistics, the number of building licenses in Jordan increased by 11.5% during the first ten months of 2017 to reach 30,616 licenses, compared to 27,450 licenses issued during the same period of 2016.
- Figures released by the Department of Land and Survey showed that real estate trading in Jordan dropped by 14% during 2017 to amount to JD 6.062 billion compared to JD 7.057 billion registered in 2016.
- Data released by the Central Bank of Jordan showed that Jordan Mobile Payment platform (JoMoPay) registered 157,529 transactions worth JD 6,460,061 during 2017.
- A report released by the World Bank projected Jordan's economy to grow by 2.1% in 2017 and by 2.2% in 2018. The report projected the inflation rate to stand at 3.1% in 2017 before declining to 1.9% in 2018.

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