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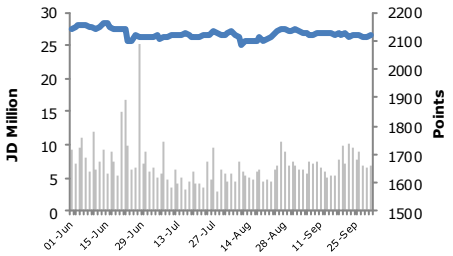
ASE edges slightly lower; the downward trend persists

- Jordanian stocks lost 2.5 points on Monday amid low trading volume as negative market sentiment persists. The general index closed below 2090 (a key technical suppot level).
- All sectoral indexes, but the Industrial (0.27%), closed the session in red. The Industrial sector was pushed by a 2.5% and 2.2% advance in the shares of heavyweights Jordan Phosphate Mines (JOPH) & Jordan Cement Factories (JOCM) respectively.
- The highly correlated diversified financials (-0.45%) and real estate (-0.45%) led decliners for the day.
- The overall market breadth was negative with losers outnumbering gainers by 43 to 33.
- 5.5 million shares worth JD4.7 million exchanged hands during the session.

ASE General Index



Trading Activity	
Value	JD4.70 million
Volume	5.50 million

Source: ASE

Market Breadth		
Gainers	Losers	Unchanged
33	43	45

Top Gainers	Price	% Chg
Univ Mod Indco	1.67	7.05%
Int'l Cards Co.	0.35	6.06%
Mesc_Jordan	0.21	5.00%

Source: ASE

Top Losers	Price	% Chg
Nat/Cabl/Wire/Mf	0.41	-4.65%
Shira	0.64	-4.48%
Methaq	1.07	-4.46%

Source: ASE

Most Active	Price	% Chg
Sura	0.42	0.00%
Spcz.Invst.Comd	0.75	-3.85%
Al Rou'ya for Invest.	0.53	1.92%

Source: ASE

Top Value Traded	Price	% Chg
Spcz.Invst.Comd	0.75	-3.85%
Arab Bank	7.31	0.14%
Sura	0.42	0.00%

Source: ASE

Trading by Investor Type		
	Buy	Sell
Retail	72.37%	73.84%
Institutional	27.63%	26.16%

Source: SDC

Trading by Nationality		
	Buy	Sell
Jordanians	77.68%	81.60%
Arabs	16.37%	17.12%
Foreigners	5.96%	1.28%

Source: SDC

Regional Markets	Index	Daily	MTD	YTD
Amman SE (ASE)	2087.59	-0.12%	-1.30%	1.05%
Dubai FM (DFM)	4537.48	2.15%	-10.02%	34.65%
Abu Dhabi SE (ADX)	4822.47	1.07%	-5.56%	12.40%
Saudi SE (TASI)	10136.46	2.57%	-6.62%	18.76%
Kuwait SE (KSE)	7352.6	-0.02%	-3.53%	-2.61%
Doha SM (DSM)	13205.1	0.98%	-3.81%	27.22%
Bahrain SE (BAX)	1444.34	-0.08%	-2.15%	15.65%
Muscat SM (MSM)	6996.88	1.22%	-6.51%	2.37%
Egypt SE (EGX 30)	8633.15	1.15%	-12.01%	27.28%
Iraq SE (ISX)	89.66	0.88%	-10.52%	-20.76%

Source: Bloomberg

Sector Indices	Value Traded (JD)	No. of Shares	Close	% Chg
Financial	3,240,810	3,181,240	2,852.50	-0.13%
Banks	*1,097,782*	*590,477*	*4,200.77*	*-0.07%*
Insurance	*25,595*	*48,977*	*1,955.12*	*-0.13%*
Diversified Fin. Ser.	*410,886*	*761,508*	*1,764.73*	*-0.45%*
Real Estate	*1,706,546*	*1,780,278*	*1,964.79*	*-0.45%*
Services	750,384	1,407,881	1,638.20	-0.28%
Industrial	741,795	940,563	1,830.91	0.27%

Source: ASE

Economic News

- The Kingdom's energy bill increased by 15.8 per cent to reach JD3.74 billion in the first eight months of 2014, compared to JD2.66 billion in the same period last year, according to data released by the Department of Statistics (DoS) on Tuesday. The data showed that crude oil imports constituted 36.9 per cent of the total imported energy sources, costing JD1.13 billion. Diesel imports constituted 37 per cent of this year's bill at JD1.13 billion, rising from about JD705 million compared to the same period last year.

- Prime Minister Abdullah Ensour on Tuesday stressed the strong relations between Jordan and Singapore and the need to further build on these relations through boosting expertise exchange. The premier made the remark during a meeting with Singapore's Minister of State for Home Affairs and Foreign Affairs Masagos Zulkifli, who is currently visiting the country, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. In the presence of Jordanian and Singaporean officials, Ensour attended the signing of a memorandum of understanding (MoU) between the Public Sector Development Ministry, Jordan Institute for Public Administration and the Civil Service College in Singapore. Under the MoU signed by Public Sector Development Minister Khleef Al Khawaldeh and Zulkifli, the two sides will cooperate and share expertise in building employees' skills and capabilities. Khawaldeh said the MoU came in line with the ministry's efforts to build partnerships with distinguished international and Arab institutes to improve the skills of government employees.

Economic News

- Microfinance industry in Jordan grew by around 24% between 2010 and 2013, reaching a JD123 million total gross loan portfolio, according to the Jordan Microfinance Network (Tanmeyah). In its report, made available to The Jordan Times, Tanmeyah attributed the growth to increasing demand for small loans in areas outside Amman. The 74-page study on the industry said microfinance institutions in Jordan managed to operate most of their direct lending portfolio in areas outside the capital, such as Zarqa, Irbid, Balqa and Karak, taking around 62% of the total portfolio or JD76 million. The microfinance industry has succeeded in increasing the total number of clients directly served with the industry's available financing products reaching around 282,000 clients in all over the Kingdom, Tanmeyah indicated. Nearly 84 per cent of the clientele are female based, 80 per cent of them are under the age of 45 years. The report showed that active loans grew by 20% reaching 302,000 in 2013.

- President of the Jordan Chamber of Commerce Nael Kabariti on Tuesday called on Arab and British businesspeople to invest in Jordan and seize the opportunity of the Kingdom's business atmosphere. He was speaking at the 2nd Arab-British Economic Forum, which took place in London. Kabariti highlighted investment opportunities in Jordan, which he noted are attractive for many reasons, mainly due to the stability and security the Kingdom enjoys. He underlined the "strong" ties between Jordan and the UK, voicing hope that British companies engage their Jordanian counterparts to establish joint corporations, especially in the ICT, tourism and pharmaceutical sectors

Capital Investments
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ASE Daily Top 30

Rank	Company Name	Ticker	Closing Price	Change	52 Week		Last Report	P/E TTM	P/BV	Div. Yield	MKT Cap (JD Mil)	Change YTD	Net Income (JD Mil)				ROaA TTM	ROaE TTM
					Low	High							FY 2013	Change YoY	H1 2014	Change YoY		
1	Arab Bank Group	ARBK	7.31	0.1%	7.19	10.50	Q2	11.1	0.8	4.1%	4,163.8	-6.6%	352.4	44.4%	293.7	7.9%	1.1%	6.8%
2	The Housing Bank	THBK	9.10	0.0%	8.58	9.15	Q2	21.2	2.4	1.6%	2,293.2	4.6%	99.8	6.1%	57.0	16.8%	1.5%	11.3%
3	Arab Potash Company	APOT	22.49	0.0%	22.00	34.39	Q2	23.2	2.3	6.7%	1,873.8	-19.8%	130.7	-34.2%	43.2	-53.7%	8.2%	9.3%
4	Jordan Telecom	JTEL	2.99	-1.0%	2.94	4.14	Q2	15.3	2.2	7.0%	747.5	-27.1%	51.5	-38.1%	22.6	-10.2%	8.1%	13.8%
5	Jordan Islamic Bank	JOIB	3.63	0.0%	3.14	4.50	Q2	12.6	2.1	4.1%	544.5	6.1%	45.1	23.6%	22.7	-7.9%	1.3%	17.1%
6	Jordan Phosphate Mines	JOPH	6.14	2.5%	5.43	8.25	Q2	NEG	0.6	4.9%	460.5	-14.1%	1.2	-99.1%	-7.2	-204.0%	-1.2%	-1.7%
7	Bank of Jordan	BOJX	2.57	0.4%	2.30	2.81	Q2	9.3	1.3	5.8%	398.6	2.8%	40.7	12.3%	22.1	11.3%	2.0%	14.2%
8	Jordan Kuwait Bank	JOKB	3.65	0.3%	3.17	4.35	Q2	7.2	0.9	5.5%	365.0	-6.2%	49.6	7.1%	27.6	3.6%	2.0%	12.6%
9	Cairo Amman Bank	CABK	2.77	-0.4%	2.57	4.04	Q2	7.9	1.3	6.1%	346.3	-0.4%	40.8	15.7%	20.6	18.0%	2.0%	16.9%
10	Afaq Energy	MANE	2.74	-0.4%	2.00	3.18	Q2	12.5	2.3	4.4%	301.4	33.0%	18.5	152.9%	10.5	113.0%	9.4%	18.9%
11	Eqbal Investment Company	EICO	11.40	0.0%	11.40	15.90	Q2	10.3	5.3	8.8%	285.0	-18.6%	28.7	36.9%	12.5	-6.6%	32.2%	50.6%
12	Capital Bank of Jordan	EXFB	1.57	0.0%	1.11	2.32	Q2	7.8	1.1	6.4%	285.0	-1.9%	35.1	78.1%	18.5	9.3%	2.0%	14.4%
13	Arab Jordan Invest Bank	AJIB	1.80	-1.1%	1.55	2.73	Q2	15.5	1.5	7.2%	270.0	-9.1%	16.1	9.1%	9.0	16.2%	1.3%	11.8%
14	Jordan Ahli Bank	AHLI	1.27	0.0%	1.11	1.49	Q2	7.0	0.7	4.7%	222.3	4.1%	16.0	-33.0%	25.5	156.3%	1.2%	11.0%
15	Jordan Electric Power	JOEP	2.72	-0.7%	2.60	3.40	Q2	NEG	2.6	2.8%	205.6	-16.6%	-7.9	-180.9%	-7.1	22.4%	-0.8%	-6.7%
16	Jordan Petroleum Refinery	JOPT	4.85	-0.2%	3.78	5.11	Q1	6.4	1.5	-	194.0	0.0%	28.2	31.7%	N/A	N/A	1.8%	25.3%
17	Bank Al-Etihad	UBSI	1.67	0.0%	1.37	2.01	Q2	7.5	0.7	3.6%	183.7	1.2%	23.1	56.6%	11.6	14.2%	1.3%	9.8%
18	Arab Int. for Education & Inv.	AIEI	4.45	0.0%	3.37	4.60	Q2	9.1	2.3	6.7%	180.2	20.6%	17.5	27.6%	12.1	22.4%	18.1%	25.2%
19	Northern Cement	NCCO	2.70	-1.1%	1.30	3.10	Q2	10.3	2.2	3.7%	148.5	-10.0%	6.2	39.7%	9.8	540.0%	19.0%	22.3%
20	Invest Bank	INVB	1.27	-2.3%	1.10	1.70	Q2	10.4	0.9	5.5%	127.0	5.8%	13.1	16.3%	6.4	-12.6%	1.6%	8.8%
21	Union Land Development Corp	ULDC	2.71	-0.4%	2.64	3.83	Q2	292.4	2.2	-	122.0	-17.9%	2.3	-136.8%	0.6	-75.4%	0.6%	0.7%
22	Jordanian Duty Free Shops	JDFS	15.50	0.0%	11.50	16.00	Q2	8.7	3.3	6.5%	116.3	26.5%	9.9	22.5%	8.2	71.1%	34.2%	40.2%
23	Jordan Projects for Tourism	JPTD	5.40	0.0%	1.05	1.97	Q2	NEG	5.3	-	116.1	-1.3%	-3.5	-9.3%	-0.9	39.5%	-4.6%	-12.4%
24	Arab Banking Corporation	ABCO	1.05	0.0%	0.99	1.29	Q2	9.8	0.8	-	115.5	-4.5%	11.7	5.8%	6.3	2.7%	1.2%	8.8%
25	Jordan Cement Factories	JOCM	1.85	2.2%	1.05	1.97	Q2	NEG	1.3	-	111.8	38.1%	-27.6	-31.5%	-0.9	-93.3%	-7.6%	-15.4%
26	Jordan Commercial Bank	JCBK	1.04	0.0%	0.99	1.19	Q2	71.6	0.9	-	104.0	0.0%	3.6	68.1%	0.7	-76.5%	0.1%	1.3%
27	Mediterranean Tourism Inv.	MDTR	2.22	0.0%	1.86	2.35	Q2	36.5	2.0	2.7%	99.9	-0.9%	3.0	26.0%	1.6	-13.8%	5.1%	5.5%
28	Jordan Dubai Islamic Bank	JDIB	0.97	0.0%	0.76	1.00	Q2	102.0	0.8	-	97.0	15.5%	1.5	-28.0%	0.3	-68.0%	0.2%	0.7%
29	Union Tobacco & Cigarette	UTOB	6.50	0.0%	6.17	10.23	Q2	87.0	2.6	6.2%	97.5	-15.0%	3.5	3.5%	1.2	-65.4%	1.2%	2.6%
30	Zara Investment	ZARA	0.57	0.0%	0.54	0.74	Q2	137.0	0.5	-	84.5	5.6%	-1.1	-201.6%	1.8	2106.0%	0.2%	0.4%
	ASE Top 30 totals							**15.45**	**1.24**	**4.3%**	**14736.3**	**-6.6%**	**1009.4**	**-5.2%**	**630.1**	**1.5%**	**1.5%**	**8.0%**

Q1: Ratios are based on Q1 2014 results
Q2: Ratios are based on Q2 2014 results
NEG: P/E ratio is negative
N/A: Not Available

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