



MARKET SUMMARY

As of 2019/09/30

MARKET INDICES (R)

	1 month	3 months	1 year	3 years*	5 years*	7 years*
FTSE/JSE All Share	0.19	-4.57	1.86	5.07	5.32	9.60
FTSE/JSE SA Listed Property	0.30	-4.44	-2.70	-3.51	3.24	5.86
All Bond Index	0.51	0.74	11.42	8.91	8.28	7.17
STeFI (Cash)	0.59	1.79	7.34	7.41	7.15	6.65
MSCI World	1.80	7.61	6.95	11.69	11.49	17.30
MSCI EM	1.55	2.04	2.35	6.91	5.97	9.06
Oil Price	0.44	-1.80	-21.27	10.96	-3.10	-0.09
Gold Price	-2.96	13.35	34.04	7.39	10.38	6.33

MARKET COMMENTARY

The South African equity market ended the month largely flat, with strong performance from select financials counters offset by poor performance from large industrial index constituents including Naspers and Richemont. Financials were supported by better than expected results from Capitec and Firstrand.

Local bonds held up well during the month compared to global peers, ending the month in positive territory as the pace of selling from foreigners slowed during the month.

The rand had a mixed month, ending the month largely flat against the US dollar. The local currency started the month significantly stronger against the greenback, however, negative sentiment towards emerging economies caused significant depreciation towards the end of the month.

The South African Reserve Bank kept the repo rate unchanged during the month, as significant oil price volatility caused by an attack on Saudi oil infrastructure from a drone attack soured hopes for an interest rate cut for now.

Local GDP growth for Q2 2019 came in at 3.1% year-on-year, ahead of economic forecasts. This meant that the SA economy avoided a second recession in two years.

The latest retail sales numbers for July came in at a 2.0% year-on-year rise, following June's 2.4% year-on-year gain.

National Treasury also announced the successful \$5-billion Eurobond issue - the largest ever for a country in sub-Saharan Africa - the bond was oversubscribed by 270%.

The **JSE All Share Index** (+0.2%) ended the monthly largely flat, with positive performance from select financials counters offset by poor performance from large industrial and resources index constituents. Performance from sectors was mixed, with **Financials** (+3.5%) faring better than **Industrials** (-0.8%) and **Resources** (-1.1%). The top performing shares in September amongst the largest 60 companies on the JSE were Capitec (+17.6%), Impala Platinum (+10.2%) and Shoprite (+10.1%). The worst performing shares in September were Harmony (-22.1%), AngloGold Ashanti (-17.9%) and Sappi (-17.0%).

**Listed property** (+0.3%) finished the month largely flat. **Local bonds** (+0.5%) held up well during the month, as sales of the asset class by foreigners abated slightly. **Cash** delivered a stable return of +0.6% for the month.

The **rand** had mixed performance against major currencies in the month. The rand depreciated against the **US dollar** (0.1%) and the **euro** (1.1%), however, the local currency was stronger against the **pound sterling** (1.1%).

\*All data is sourced from Morningstar Direct as at 30/09/2019. The performance of South African asset classes is quoted in rands.

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