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	Close price at 05-Mar-2021	Weekly % change	Month to date	Year to date	Last 12 months
FTSE/JSE indices					
All-Share Index	68,271.19	3.2%	3.2%	14.9%	29.0%
All-Share Index Total Return	10,694.68	3.6%	3.6%	15.4%	32.6%
Resources Index	40,627.23	4.7%	4.7%	22.7%	61.7%
Industrials Index	93,251.51	1.8%	1.8%	12.8%	26.1%
Financials Index	32,197.88	4.2%	4.2%	6.3%	-6.4%
Top 40 Index	62,788.64	3.3%	3.3%	15.5%	31.9%
Shareholder Weighted Index	24,895.88	4.1%	4.1%	14.3%	26.0%
Capped Shareholder Weighted Index	26,303.00	4.5%	4.5%	13.4%	24.4%
SA Listed Property Index	1,331.05	3.0%	3.0%	8.3%	-16.3%
SA Volatility Index	16.78	-3.6%	-3.6%	-9.0%	-35.1%
Interest-bearing indices					
FTSE/JSE All Bond Index (Albi)	755.20	-1.3%	-1.3%	-0.5%	5.6%
StefI Composite Index	467.56	0.1%	0.1%	0.6%	4.8%
FTSE/JSE Inflation-Linked Index	277.16	-0.6%	-0.6%	3.4%	6.7%
Interest rates					
Prime rate	7.00%			0.0%	-28.2%
Repo rate	3.50%			0.0%	-44.0%
Commodities (in US dollars)					
Gold price	1,697.44	-4.1%	-4.1%	-10.4%	3.5%
Platinum price	1,130.50	-7.3%	-7.3%	5.7%	30.4%
Oil price	69.36	7.7%	7.7%	33.9%	38.7%
Global indices (in base currency)					
Dow Jones (US)	31,496.30	1.8%	1.8%	2.9%	20.6%
S&P 500 (US)	3,841.94	0.8%	0.8%	2.3%	27.1%
FTSE (UK)	3,771.73	1.9%	1.9%	2.7%	1.1%
Hang Seng (Hong Kong)	29,098.29	0.4%	0.4%	6.9%	8.7%
Shanghai	3,501.99	-0.2%	-0.2%	0.8%	14.0%
Nikkei (Japan)	28,864.32	-0.4%	-0.4%	22.0%	35.3%
Cac 40 (France)	5,782.65	1.4%	1.4%	4.2%	7.9%
Dax (Germany)	1,321.09	0.5%	0.5%	6.6%	18.4%
MSCI Emerging	1,339.31	0.0%	0.0%	3.7%	28.9%
MSCI Developed	2,728.56	0.1%	0.1%	1.4%	24.5%
US Volatility Index	24.66	-11.8%	-11.8%	8.4%	-37.8%
Exchange rates					
Rand/US dollar	15.37	-1.6%	-1.6%	-4.4%	1.7%
Rand/euro	18.33	-0.4%	-0.4%	-2.1%	-4.2%
Rand/pound	21.27	-0.9%	-0.9%	-5.6%	-4.8%
Dollar/euro	1.19	1.3%	1.3%	2.6%	-5.7%
Inflation indicator					
CPI					3.2%
Group indicator					
Momentum Metropolitan Holdings	17.15	2.7%	2.7%	8.8%	-8.7%

*Last available numbers used, as these numbers were not available

Local update

The JSE closed firmer on Friday, while most global equities remained under some pressure with the continued volatility in the US bond market keeping investors cautious. Chemical and synthetic fuel producer Sasol performed best on the day, continuing its recent good run, rising the most since late November, up 13.95% to R223.95. It is now up 67% so far in 2021, but is still some way off its R650 peak reached in June 2014.

Consumer goods group AVI — the owner of footwear retailer Spitz stores, Five Roses tea, and seafood company I&J — has opted to pay out R926m in a special dividend, citing strong cash generation and healthy debt levels amid Covid-19. The group, which has a market value of R24.6bn, said the pandemic has had a mixed effect on its businesses, boosting parts of its snacks and beverages division, but hitting fashion and abalone sales.

Massmart, which is owned by the world's largest grocer, Walmart, estimates Covid-19 cost it R6.1bn in lost sales in its 2020 year, as it once again holds on to its dividend as it battles to turnaround some of its unprofitable businesses. Total sales for the year ended December 27 fell 7.7% to R86.5bn, with the group grappling with shifting consumer behaviour and Covid-19 restrictions, which weighed on its ability to sell certain products, such as alcohol and tobacco.

SA's top gold miners should consolidate and create a world champion gold business or risk being bought by foreign entities, Sibanye-Stillwater CEO Neal Froneman says. "I think there are three high quality SA companies that should be put together," Froneman told Business Day, referring to his company, Gold Fields and AngloGold Ashanti.

Global update

Shanghai — Despite a high-profile visit to China by a team of international experts in January, the world is no closer to knowing the origins of Covid-19, according to one of the authors of an open letter calling for a new investigation into the pandemic.

Paris — French billionaire Olivier Dassault was killed on Sunday in a helicopter crash, a police source said, with President Emmanuel Macron paying tribute to the conservative politician.