

## GCC Equity Markets: 2022 - The Year That Was...

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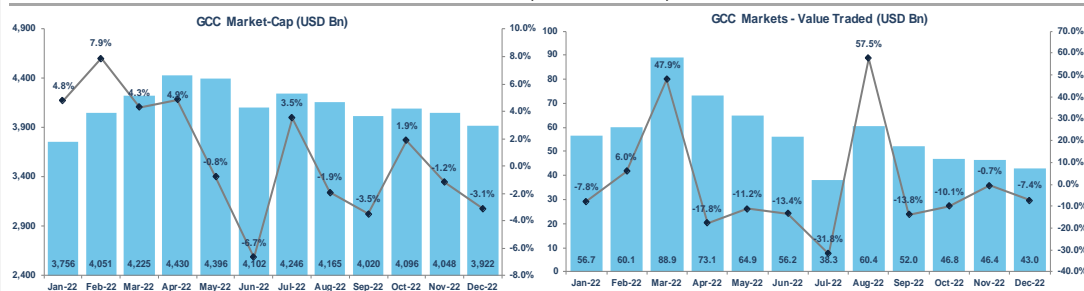
### GCC Index declines in 2022 led by Qatar and Saudi...

GCC equity market index closed 2022 with a decline of 6.4% after demonstrating one of the biggest gains globally last year. Markets in the region remained volatile during the year and gains made during the first four months of the year were more than offset by declines for most of the months thereafter. Oil market also influenced markets in the region while additional volatility came from volatile global financial markets. The Russia-Ukraine war and its impact on global supply chain, especially for commodities, and the strict lockdowns in China affected technology and components supply chains during the year. The trend in global inflation and the steps taken by global central banks with unprecedented pace of rate hikes also affected markets. This was worsened by sanctions on Russia that came into effect during December-2022.

Within the GCC, Qatar reported the biggest decline during 2022 with the DSM Index receding 8.1% followed by Saudi Arabia that dropped by 7.1%. This was the first decline in the Saudi index after six consecutive years of gains. On the other hand, Abu Dhabi was once again the best performing market in the GCC with a gain of 20.3% followed by Oman and Bahrain with gains of 17.6% and 5.5%, respectively.

Global equity markets also had an uneventful year with almost all prominent markets recording declines during the year. The MSCI World index dropped 19.5% reflecting double digit declines in most major markets globally. The S&P 500 index dropped almost 20% in 2022 while Emerging Markets showed a bigger decline of 22.4%. Technology stocks in the US were battered with the Nasdaq Composite Index losing a third during the year. UK was the only major market that showed a marginal gain while India and Brazil were two emerging markets that reported healthy gains.

GCC Equity Markets	Index Closing	YTD Chg%	M-Cap (USD Bn)	Yearly Val Traded (USD M n)	P/E (x) TTM	P/B (x) TTM	Div. Yield
Kuwait - Premier Market Index	8,115.7	6.2%	156.0	49,498.9	19.7	1.7	2.8%
Kuwait - Main 50 Index	5,719.0	(6.4%)					
Kuwait - Main Market Index	5,596.8	(4.9%)					
Kuwait - All Share Index	7,292.1	3.5%					
Saudi Arabia	10,478.5	(7.1%)	2,631.1	454,300.5	16.2	2.1	2.7%
Abu Dhabi	10,211.1	20.3%	702.5	111,774.3	18.2	2.9	2.0%
Dubai	3,336.1	4.4%	157.3	24,193.3	9.4	1.1	3.3%
Qatar	10,681.1	(8.1%)	167.1	44,103.2	11.9	1.4	4.3%
Bahrain	1,895.3	5.5%	86.6	585.6	5.2	0.7	5.6%
Oman	4,857.4	17.6%	21.9	2,292.4	13.8	1.0	3.6%
<b>Total GCC</b>			<b>3,922.4</b>	<b>686,748.2</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.8%</b>



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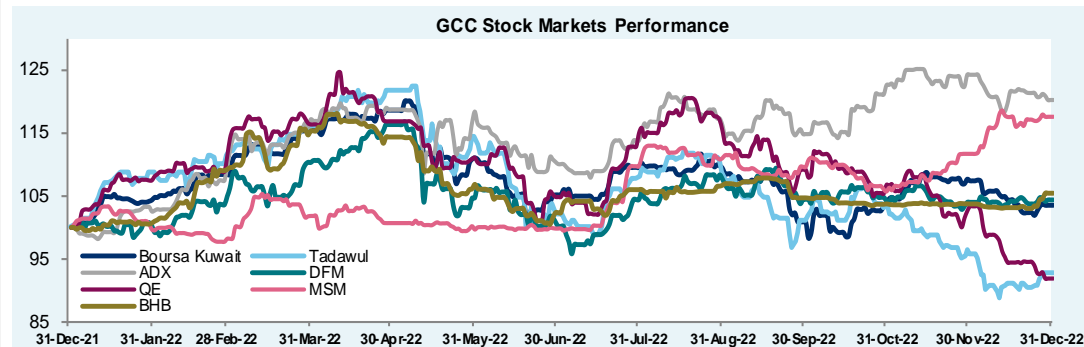
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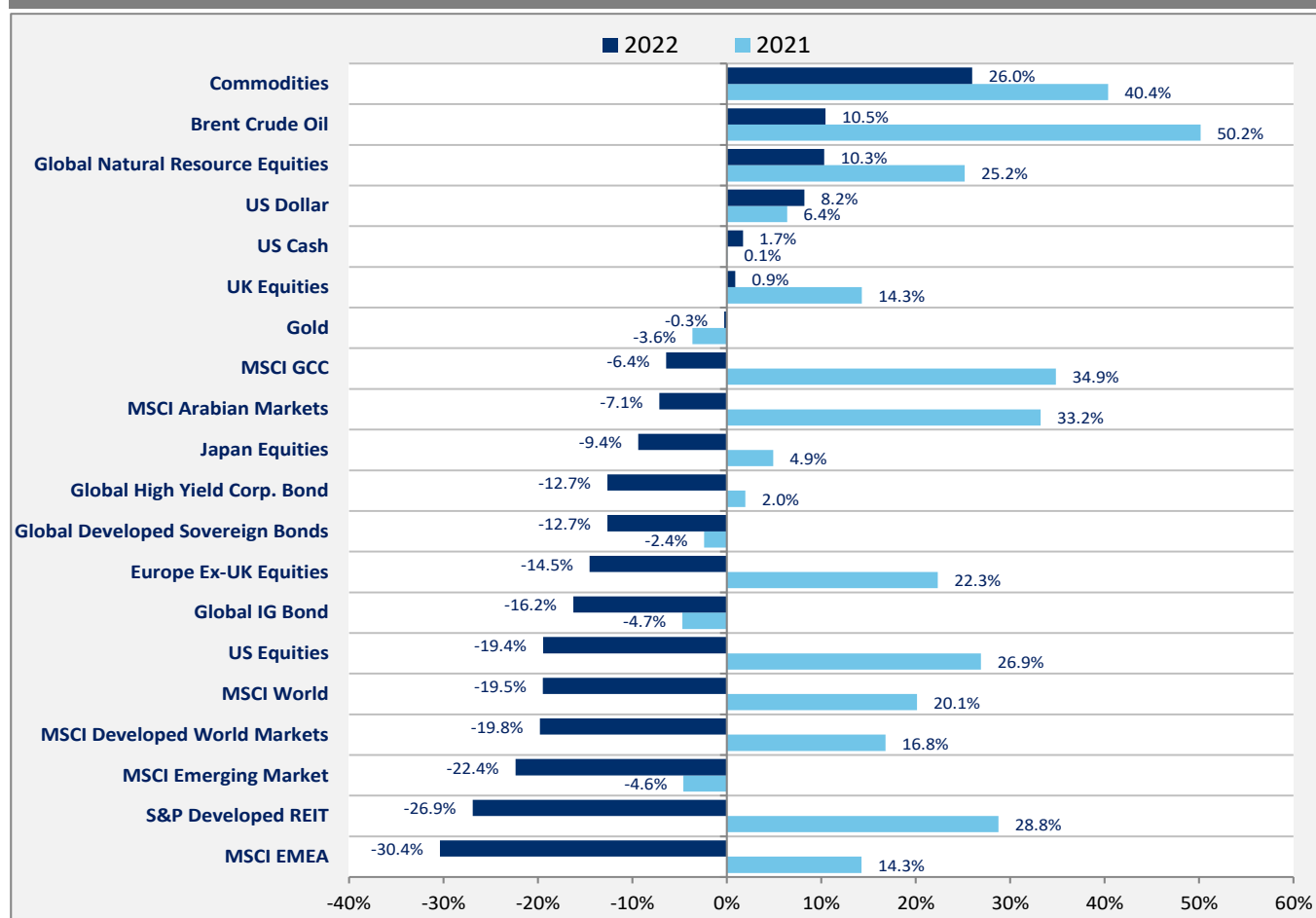
## Global Market Performance

### *Global markets see a broad-based decline during the year*

After reaching record high levels at the end of 2021, global equity markets posted its first decline in four years during 2022 reflecting pain points across the globe. Rising commodity prices continued to pose headwinds for companies across the globe that led to persistent and decades high inflation and the resulting rate hikes by global central banks threatened economic growth in the near term. The MSCI World Index dropped by 19.5% during the year, the biggest decline since the financial crisis (2008) with most major equity markets seeing double digit losses. The index demonstrated weak trend since the start of the year and the Russia/Ukraine conflict further exacerbated the pace of declines. The index, however, showed partial recovery during Q4-2022 with a gain of 9.4% to partly offset consecutive declines during the first three quarters of the year.

In terms of regional performance, Russia's USD index witnessed the biggest decline during the year after losing almost 40% during the year. Global emerging markets were next with a decline of 22.4% with South Korea seeing a steep decline of 24.9% while China's SSE Composite index dropped by 15.1%. India was the only bright spot in the emerging markets universe after the SENSEX surged 4.4% during the year mainly led by a rally during the second half of the year that pushed the index to a record high at the start of December-2022 only to recede during the remainder of the month. The trend in Chinese equity market also remained volatile throughout the year with the SSE Composite index reaching a yearly bottom during April-2022 followed by a fragile recovery during Q2-2022 to reach peak at the end of June-2022. The Chinese index largely trended downwards during 2H-2022 after China reiterated its strict Covid-19 restrictions only to relax during December-2022.

### Global Asset Class Performance - 2022 vs. 2021



In the advanced markets universe, US was the biggest decliner with the S&P 500 index losing 19.4% during the year. Within the US, technology stocks were seriously battered mainly led by higher valuations at the start of the year. Moreover, repeated warnings over an impending recession in 2023 also affected performance of technology stocks. Shares of Tesla and Facebook dropped by more than 60% during the year while Microsoft and Apple stocks lost nearly 30%. European markets also showed double digit declines with the DJ Stoxx 600 index falling by 12.9%. Germany's DAX index dropped by 12.3% during the year while the CAC 40 index of France declined by 9.5%.

# GCC Market Performance - 2022

GCC Historical Performance	Index	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Kuwait	All Share Index	N/A	N/A	N/A	2.3%	5.6%	5.2%	23.7%	-11.7%	27.0%	3.5%
Saudi Arabia	TASI	25.5%	-2.4%	-17.1%	4.3%	0.2%	8.3%	7.2%	3.6%	29.8%	-7.1%
Dubai	DFM General Index	107.7%	12.0%	-16.5%	12.1%	-4.6%	-24.9%	9.3%	-9.9%	28.2%	4.4%
Abu Dhabi	ADX General Index	63.1%	5.6%	-4.9%	5.6%	-3.3%	11.7%	3.3%	-0.6%	68.2%	20.3%
Qatar	QE20 Index	24.2%	18.4%	-15.1%	0.1%	-18.3%	20.8%	1.2%	0.1%	11.4%	-8.1%
Bahrain	Bahrain All Share Index	17.2%	14.2%	-14.8%	0.4%	9.1%	0.4%	20.4%	-7.5%	20.6%	5.5%
Oman	MSM 30 Index	18.6%	-7.2%	-14.8%	7.0%	-11.8%	-15.2%	-7.9%	-8.1%	12.9%	17.6%

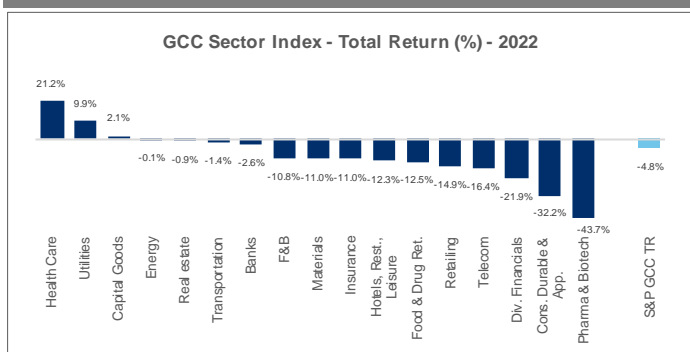
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GCC equity markets once again outperformed their global peers during 2022 by posting a smaller decline during the year as compared to double digit declines for most major global markets. The MSCI GCC Index declined by 6.4% during the year after posting one of the biggest gains globally during 2021. The trend in the index showed consistent gains during Q1-2022 and reaching a peak during the second week of April-2022. Thereafter, the index largely showed a declining trend for the rest of the year. The trend in the GCC index also almost replicated the trend in oil prices with the Brent trending south since June-2022.

The performance of individual markets in the GCC were mixed in 2022. Abu Dhabi was once again the best performing market in the GCC with a gain of 20.3% followed by Oman, also with a double digit gain of 17.6% and Bahrain with a gain of 5.5%. On the other hand, Qatar's DSM index was the biggest decliner in the GCC with a drop of 8.1% followed by 7.1% decline in Saudi Arabia's TASI. The decline in Qatar reflected double-digit decline in Insurance, Banks & Financial and Real Estate indices that were partially offset by gains in Telecom and Transport indices. In Saudi Arabia, merely three out of the 21 sectoral indices witnessed gains while large-cap sectors like Materials and Banks posted declines of 14.4% and 5.6%, respectively.

The GCC sector performance chart showed gains only for three sectors while ten out of the remaining sectors showed double-digit declines. The Healthcare index topped yearly performance with a return of 21.2% followed by Utilities and Capital Goods indices with gains of 9.9% and 2.1%, respectively. On the decliner's side, the Pharma & Biotech index showed the biggest decline during the year at 43.7% followed by Consumer Durables & Apparels and Diversified Financials index with double digit declines of 32.2% and 21.9%, respectively. Trading activity during the year showed a uniform trend of higher trades in large-cap stocks that resulted in a decline in volume traded but value traded showed strong growth in most markets. Aggregate value traded reached USD 686.7 Bn during the year vs. USD 790.0 Bn in 2021 while volume traded reached 261.4 Bn shares during the year as compared to 309.0 Bn shares in 2021. Saudi Arabia and Bahrain were the only markets that reported a decline in value traded while the rest of the markets showed healthy growth during the year.

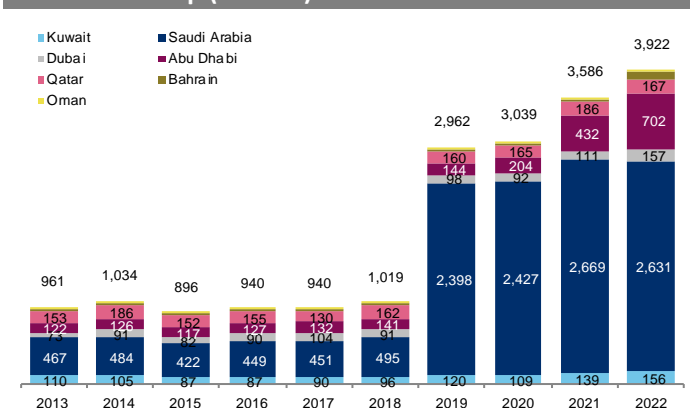
## GCC Sector Performance Chart - 2022



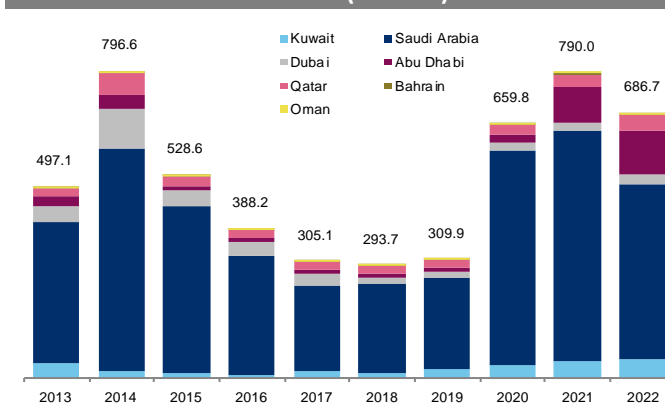
## 2022 closing indices vs. year's lowest close

Market	2021 Close	2022 Low	2022 Close	2022 Close vs. 2022 low
Kuwait-Premier	7,639.11	7,653.60	8,115.68	6.0%
Kuwait-Main 50	6,108.04	5,354.06	5,719.01	6.8%
Kuwait-Main Mkt	5,886.27	5,222.22	5,596.79	7.2%
Kuwait-All Share	7,043.16	6,922.37	7,292.12	5.3%
Tadawul	11,281.71	10,033.19	10,478.46	4.4%
DFM	3,195.91	3,061.80	3,336.07	9.0%
ADX	8,488.36	8,332.69	10,211.09	22.5%
QE	11,625.81	10,681.07	10,681.07	0.0%
BHB	1,797.25	1,788.93	1,895.27	5.9%
MSM	4,129.54	4,035.96	4,857.44	20.4%

## GCC Market-Cap (USD Bn)



## GCC Markets - Value Traded (USD Bn)



Source: GCC Stock Exchanges, Bloomberg, Reuters, Kamco Invest Research. Value traded in Oman includes regular, parallel, under monitoring markets and rights

## Boursa Kuwait

Monthly Indicators	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22
<b>Premier Market Index</b>	8,012.9	8,320.3	9,061.4	9,308.0	8,676.0	8,243.2	8,603.0	8,594.6	7,949.9	8,190.9	8,491.9	8,115.7
Monthly % Change	4.9%	3.8%	8.9%	2.7%	(6.8%)	(5.0%)	4.4%	(0.1%)	(7.5%)	3.0%	3.7%	(4.4%)
<b>Main 50 Index</b>	6,334.9	6,596.4	6,583.0	6,674.0	6,371.2	5,893.8	6,192.0	6,143.7	5,511.4	5,648.8	5,829.7	5,719.0
Monthly % Change	3.7%	4.1%	(0.2%)	1.4%	(4.5%)	(7.5%)	5.1%	(0.8%)	(10.3%)	2.5%	3.2%	(1.9%)
<b>Main Market Index</b>	6,048.3	6,291.0	6,254.8	6,389.8	6,071.2	5,680.7	5,875.3	5,868.5	5,338.4	5,489.6	5,681.3	5,596.8
Monthly % Change	2.8%	4.0%	(0.6%)	2.2%	(5.0%)	(6.4%)	3.4%	(0.1%)	(9.0%)	2.8%	3.5%	(1.5%)
<b>All Share Market Index</b>	7,350.4	7,637.6	8,146.7	8,358.5	7,823.6	7,408.6	7,716.9	7,709.1	7,105.7	7,318.4	7,584.6	7,292.1
Monthly % Change	4.4%	3.9%	6.7%	2.6%	(6.4%)	(5.3%)	4.2%	(0.1%)	(7.8%)	3.0%	3.6%	(3.9%)
<b>Market Cap (KWD Mn)</b>	43,846	45,559	48,142	48,256	45,466	43,409	45,224	45,313	42,566	47,299	49,013	47,139
P/E (X) - TTM	15.20	20.14	24.46	21.77	19.10	17.01	17.23	17.46	16.20	16.34	20.39	19.66
P/BV (X) - TTM	1.72	1.69	1.84	1.95	1.80	1.68	1.71	1.75	1.63	1.66	1.74	1.67
Dividend Yield (%)	1.81%	2.03%	1.73%	2.45%	2.80%	3.09%	2.97%	2.83%	2.94%	2.86%	2.71%	2.83%
Volume (Mn Shares)	6,123.7	5,186.2	5,658.4	4,500.3	5,193.3	4,583.2	3,445.4	6,213.0	3,618.7	3,771.0	4,763.3	2,926.4
Value (KD Mn)	1,289.4	1,299.0	1,559.3	1,346.9	1,616.7	1,305.7	1,140.7	1,244.4	920.0	1,291.8	1,176.1	764.5
Trades ('000)	230.3	254.1	273.9	251.3	309.3	275.9	188.9	270.7	209.7	237.6	232.6	159.1

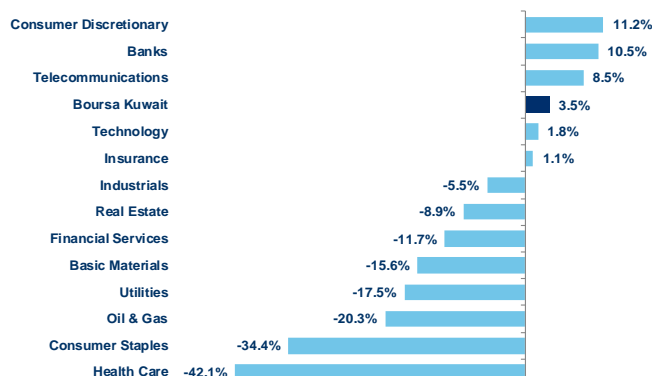
Source: Boursa Kuwait, Kamco Invest Research

After closing 2021 as one of the best performing markets in the GCC, the Boursa Kuwait All Share Index wrapped up 2022 at 7,292.1 points with a minimal gain of 3.5%. The large-cap Premier Market index led the performance chart in Kuwait with gains of 6.2% backed by gains in 11 constituent in the index. The Main Market index, which mainly represents small and mid-cap stocks, recorded a decline of 4.9% while the more liquid Main 50 Index declined by 6.4%. Total market cap for the exchange reached KWD 47.1 Bn at the end of the year as compared to KWD 42.0 Bn at the end of last year, an increase of 12.3%, that was also supported by the IPO and subsequent listing of Ali Al Ghanim and Sons. Performance during the year reflected higher aggregate corporate profits of listed companies. A rebound in the GDP growth expected in 2022 to one of the highest in the GCC was positive on the fiscal front and also supported investor sentiments. However, the dependence on oil revenues and the fluctuation in oil prices during the year added volatility to market during the year. On the economic front, inflation remained largely under control in Kuwait that was reflected in a smaller hike in interest rates in Kuwait from 1.50% to 3.50% vs. a much larger hike by the US Fed.

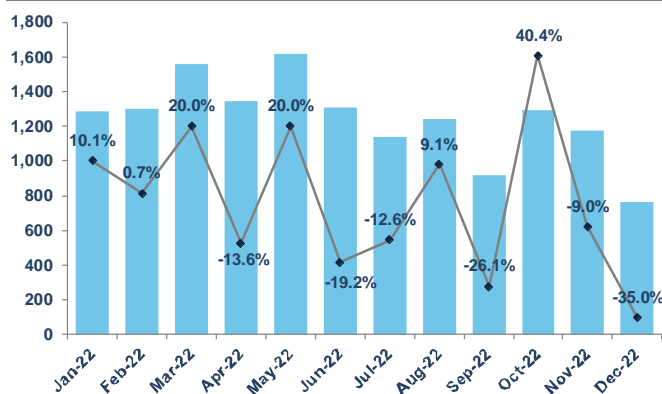
Sectoral performance was mixed for the year between gainers and decliners. The Health Care index reported the biggest yearly decline of 42.1%. Prominent decliners in the index included Al-Maidan Clinic and ATC with declines of 49.0% and 15.1%, respectively. The Consumer Staples sector was the second biggest decliner with a fall of 34.4% followed by Oil & Gas and Utilities indices with declines of 20.3% and 17.5%, respectively. The decline in the Oil & Gas sector reflected the decline in all of its six constituent stocks with The Energy House leading the decline with a drop of 65.9%. In terms of sectoral gainers, the Consumer Discretionary index topped with a gain of 11.2% followed by Banks and Telecom indices with yearly gains of 10.5% and 8.5%, respectively. In the banking sector, 4 out of 10 banks posted double-digit gains, supported by strong earnings growth. ABK (+33.9%), Gulf Bank (+18.2%) and NBK (+13.5%) witnessed strong gains for the year. In the Telecom sector, shares of Ooredoo Kuwait was up by 85.7% while STC Kuwait witnessed gains of 36.8%. On the other hand, shares of Zain, Hayat Comm.. and AAN Digital Services Co witnessed declines.

The yearly best performers chart was topped by Kuwait Hotels with a gain of 152.9% followed by Dar Al Thuraya RE and Ooredoo KW with gains of 103.8% and 85.7%, respectively. The yearly decliners chart was topped by Jiyad Holding with a fall of -71.3% followed by The Energy House and Salbookh Trading with the declines of 65.9% and 64.5%, respectively. Trading activity during the year was at one of the highest levels on record. Value traded reached KWD 15.0 Bn as compared to KWD 13.6 Bn in 2021. Contrastingly, total volume declined by a third to reach 56.0 Bn shares vs. 84.6 Bn shares traded in 2021.

### Boursa Kuwait 2022 Sector Performance



### Value Traded (KWD Mn)



Source: Kuwait Stock Exchange, Kamco Invest Research

# Saudi Arabia (Tadawul)

Monthly Indicators	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22
Tadawul All Share Index	12,271.8	12,590.3	13,090.4	13,733.9	12,921.7	11,523.3	12,199.1	12,283.3	11,405.3	11,667.8	10,896.9	10,478.5
Monthly % Change	8.8%	2.6%	4.0%	4.9%	(5.9%)	(10.8%)	5.9%	0.7%	(7.1%)	2.3%	(6.6%)	(3.8%)
Market Cap (SAR Bn)	10,578.3	11,474.7	11,964.8	12,494.7	12,460.9	11,430.4	11,824.0	11,421.2	10,832.9	10,731.1	10,216.8	9,867.1
P/E (X) - TTM	27.56	27.61	21.98	25.40	23.10	20.52	21.23	20.27	18.84	18.63	16.89	16.24
P/BV (X) - TTM	2.63	2.68	2.38	2.95	2.70	2.43	2.56	2.57	2.38	2.39	2.20	2.11
Dividend Yield (%)	2.13%	2.07%	2.56%	2.11%	2.20%	2.44%	2.43%	2.43%	2.48%	2.47%	2.64%	2.73%
Volume (Mn Shares)	3,725.2	3,934.4	5,241.5	3,706.0	4,063.6	3,843.4	2,772.6	4,012.5	2,746.2	3,156.1	2,621.9	3,673.4
Value (SAR Mn)	148,642.6	159,505.0	234,665.3	184,807.0	166,906.6	142,842.8	96,025.2	158,693.1	108,613.8	116,297.7	103,896.0	82,813
Trades ('000)	6,911	6,783	9,946	8,212	7,489	7,918	5,378	8,294	6,598	6,782	6,585	6,628

Source: Tadawul, Kamco Invest Research. Note: Trading data includes stocks in the Main Market.

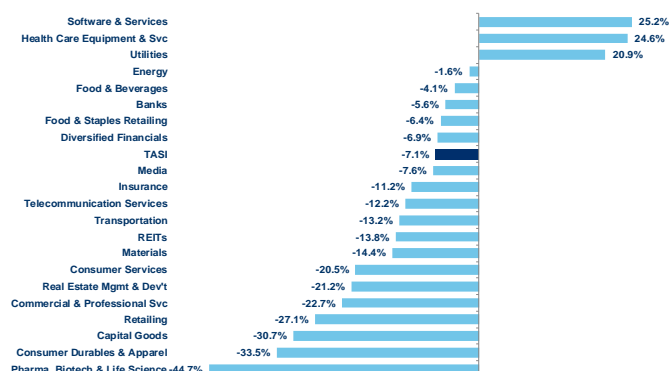
Saudi's TASI was the second-worst performing index in the GCC in 2022 with a decline of 7.1%. This was also the first decline in the index after six consecutive years of positive returns that saw the benchmark soar from 6,911.76 points at the end of 2015 to a peak of 13,820.35 points on 8-May-2022. The selling pressure during the 2H-2022 pushed the index down to close the year at 10,478.46 points. Saudi Arabia dominated the listings activity during 2022 by listing 17 companies on the Tadawul's Main Market and 19 companies on the Nomu-Parallel Market. Americana was Saudi Arabia's largest IPO this year and the first simultaneous dual listing on the ADX and the Saudi Stock Exchange by floating 2.5 Bn shares, or 30% of its share capital.

In terms of sector returns, the year saw merely 3 out of 21 indices with gains while the rest of the indices declined. Software & Services was the best performing index during the year with a gain of 25.2% solely on the back of gain in shares of Arabian Internet and Communications Services Co. followed by Healthcare and Utilities indices with gains of 24.6% and 20.9%, respectively. Almost all the constituents in the Healthcare indices showed double digit increase in their share prices during the year as a result of resilience and opportunities of software companies. Key decliners in the index included Middle East Healthcare Co and Saudi Chemical Co Holding that declined by 19.6% and 21.8%, respectively. Gains for the Utilities sector was led by the 81.0% of gains in the shares of ACWA POWER, whereas the other two constituent stocks reported declines. On the decliners side, the Pharma & Biotech index reported the biggest decline during the year at 44.7% led by an equivalent decline in its sole constituent, Saudi Pharmaceutical Industries and Medical Appliances Corp. Large cap sectors like Materials and Banks were down 14.4% and 5.6%, respectively, during the year, while Energy index reported the smallest yearly decline of 1.6%. In the banking sector, shares of 4 out of 10 banks showed a decline of which 3 showed double digit declines. The overall performance of the Energy sector was affected by 1.4% decline in shares of Saudi Aramco and 26.3% decline in shares of Rabigh Refining while the rest of the constituents' showed gains.

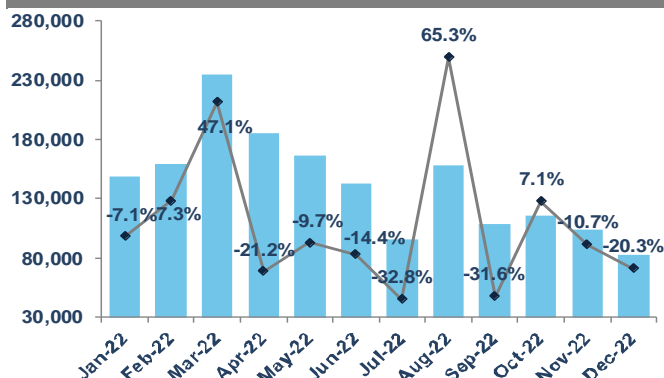
Trading Activity on the exchange remained subdued in 2022 as the oil-led economic slowdown affected investor sentiments. Total volume of shares traded during the year declined by 35.0% to 43.5 Bn shares as compared to 66.9 Bn shares during 2021. Total value traded during the year also declined but at a slightly lower rate of 23.8% to reach SAR 1.70 Trillion (USD 453.18 Bn) as compared to SAR 2.23 Trillion (USD 594.8 Bn) in 2021. Dar Al Arkan Real Estate Development topped the yearly volume chart with 3.7 Bn shares traded during the year worth SAR 45.3 Bn followed by Saudi Arabian Oil Co and Alinma Bank with 1.94 Bn shares and 1.93 Bn shares traded, respectively. In terms of yearly value traded, Al Rajhi Bank topped the chart during the year followed by Saudi Arabian Oil Co (SAR 72.7 Bn) and Alinma Bank (SAR 67.4 Bn).

On the economic front, according to the finance ministry, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia reported its first budget surplus in nearly 10 years, supported by the revenue being ramped up by elevated oil prices. The 2022 surplus came to SAR 102 Bn (USD 27 Bn), constituting 2.6% of Saudi gross domestic product as released in the preliminary estimates. The Saudi government approved SAR 1.114 Trillion (USD 296 Bn) budget for 2023 which is expected to post a surplus of SAR 16 Bn. The Kingdom expects revenues of SAR 1.13 Trillion in 2023.

## Tadawul 2022 Sector Performance



## Value Traded (SAR Mn)



Source: Tadawul, Kamco Invest Research



# Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange

Monthly Indicators	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22
ADX General Index	8,704.3	9,319.4	9,948.8	10,081.4	10,054.9	9,374.7	9,663.5	9,874.5	9,750.82	10,412.25	10,552.37	10,211.09
Monthly % Change	2.5%	7.1%	6.8%	1.3%	(0.3%)	(6.8%)	3.1%	2.2%	(1.3%)	6.8%	1.3%	(3.2%)
Market Cap (AED Bn)	1,587.5	1,729.5	1,811.7	1,891.8	1,912.2	1,936.2	1,964.9	2,039.5	2,158.1	2,379.1	2,615.3	2,580.3
P/E (X) - TTM	23.51	24.86	25.40	21.55	22.40	20.61	20.13	19.73	19.52	19.31	18.88	18.22
P/BV (X) - TTM	2.57	2.56	2.55	2.85	2.80	2.59	2.69	2.81	2.77	2.99	3.00	2.90
Dividend Yield (%)	2.64%	2.64%	1.95%	1.94%	1.90%	2.06%	1.99%	1.95%	2.04%	1.99%	1.97%	2.01%
Volume (Mn Shares)	4,156.1	4,456.6	6,145.3	7,947.9	4,908.0	3,990.8	2,765.1	4,544.9	17,449.4	4,780.1	6,865.8	5,680.1
Value (AED Mn)	27,856.6	27,988.4	40,218.8	42,083.1	30,092.0	28,126.2	20,590.9	26,583.2	53,360.8	24,906.3	35,546.9	53,204.2
Trades	115,390	136,162	231,252	197,342	206,824	182,585	132,900	190,645	250,271	229,906	337,251	242,687

Source: Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange, Kamco Invest Research

Abu Dhabi was the best performing major market in the GCC and the second-best performing market in the MENA region in 2022 with a return of 20.3% for the ADX General Index. The index closed at 10,211.09 points after touching a record closing high of 10,629.75 points on 11-November-2022. The aggregate market cap of companies listed on the exchange increased 62.3% to AED 2.6 Trillion (USD 702.6 Bn) driven by a combination of factors including new listings on the exchange during the year as well as share price gains. ADX sectoral performance was mixed across the board. The Utilities Index recorded the biggest yearly gain of 176.5% to reach 13,510.75 points mainly driven by the yearly gains of Abu Dhabi National Energy Co (TAQA). The Financial index was the second-best performing index of the year, increasing 47% to close the year at 17,669.13 points driven by companies such as the International Holdings Company which saw its share price soar 169.7% during the year. The Healthcare Sector index (-31.6%) was the worst performing sector during the year dragged down mainly by Gulf Pharmaceuticals Industries 37% decline in shares. The Telecom index recorded the second highest drop during the year that reached 27.4% driven mainly by the yearly drop in shares of Emirates Telecom Group (-27.9%) and Al Yah Satellite Communications Company (-8.8%).

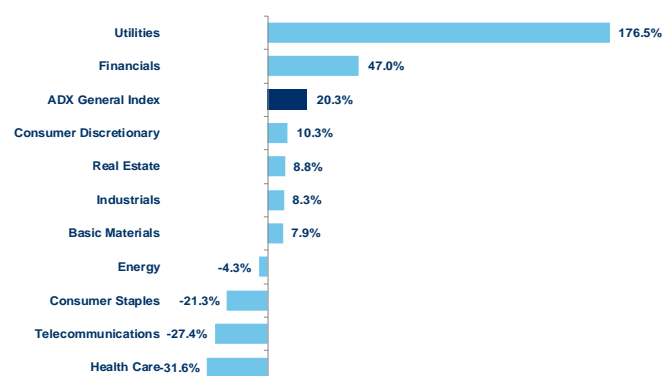
International Holdings Company topped the yearly gainers chart, registering 169.7% increase in its share price, followed by Abu Dhabi National Energy Co and Multiply Group which witnessed gains of 159.8% and 152.2%, respectively. On the decliners side, Ras Al Khaimah Cement Company recorded the biggest yearly decline of 47.8% followed by Gulf Pharmaceutical Industries and Al Khaleej Investment which recorded declines of 37% and 34.7% during the year, respectively.

Trading activity on the exchange increased y-o-y in 2022, as volumes traded rose by 31.8% to 73.7 Bn shares. Similarly, value traded increased by 16.2% y-o-y to reach AED 410.6 Bn during 2022. In terms of most actively traded stocks, International Holdings Co led all stocks in terms of value traded with AED 77.9 Bn worth of shares traded during 2022. Alpha Dhabi Holdings and First Abu Dhabi Bank followed with AED 61.8 Bn and AED 53.9 Bn worth of shares traded, respectively. Multiply Group led the most active stocks list in terms of volumes traded in 2022 as 11.1 Bn shares of the real estate company were traded. Aldar Properties and Abu Dhabi National Energy followed with 8.1 Bn and 4.6 Bn shares traded during 2022.

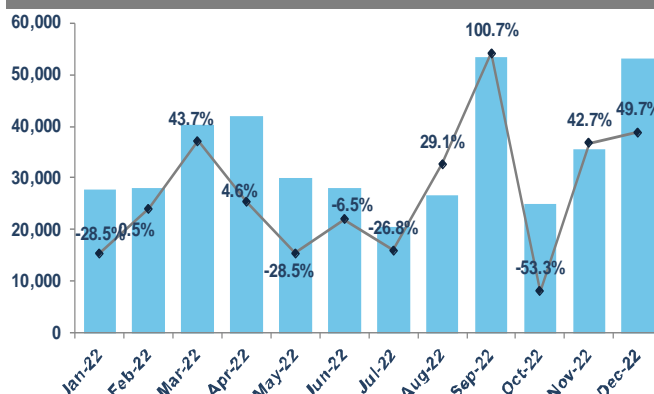
In terms of new listings, Abu Dhabi's Stock Exchange was second only to Tadawul in terms of number of IPOs in the GCC markets in 2022. The exchange saw seven new listings during the year including Borouge which became the biggest ever IPO in ADX. Borouge floated 10% of its total issues share capital and successfully raised USD 2 Bn. Other major listings in ADX during the past year included Americana which concluded first-ever concurrent dual listings on Abu Dhabi and Saudi exchanges and Abu Dhabi Ports Group which raised AED 4 Bn (USD 1.1 Bn) from primary issuance.

In economic updates, the UAE economy is set to expand by 6.5% in 2022 and 2023 driven by new socio-economic programs and new expanding economy sectors, as per official sources. The IMF also projected over 6% GDP expansion for the UAE in 2022 driven primarily by foreign investment inflows. The UAE GDP expanded 3.8% in 2021 and 8.5% in 1H-2022, according to the UAE government.

## ADX 2022 Sector Performance



## Value Traded (AED Mn)



Source: Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange, Kamco Invest Research

# Dubai Financial Market

Monthly Indicators	Jan-13	Feb-13	Dec-21	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22
DFM General Index	1,887.6	1,927.1	3,195.9	3,203.1	3,354.6	3,526.6	3,719.6	3,347.2	3,223.3	3,338.0	3,443.1	3,339.2	3,331.8	3,324.0	3,336.1
Monthly % Change		2.1%	4.0%	0.2%	4.7%	5.1%	5.5%	(10.0%)	(3.7%)	3.6%	3.2%	(3.0%)	(0.2%)	(0.2%)	0.4%
Market Cap (AED Bn)	193.8	201.0	407.0	404.6	418.3	432.5	587.3	543.5	529.8	562.2	565.2	570.9	558.9	578.3	577.7
P/E (X) - TTM	21.82	22.62	20.99	17.71	15.98	16.83	16.67	13.80	10.88	10.77	10.59	10.26	9.72	9.34	9.40
P/BV (X) - TTM	0.99	1.03	1.09	1.09	1.15	1.22	1.30	1.20	1.10	1.14	1.17	1.13	1.11	1.09	1.09
Dividend Yield (%)	2.48%	2.39%	2.41%	2.41%	2.27%	2.61%	2.81%	3.10%	2.81%	2.70%	2.62%	2.77%	3.09%	3.10%	3.29%
Volume (Mn Shares)	7,616	4,782	4,780.7	3,441.8	2,638.2	3,680.5	4,852.1	2,658.0	2,311.4	1,402.5	3,506.4	2,866.1	2,877.9	4,442.8	3,217.0
Value (AED Mn)	8,652	6,993	7,672.7	6,469.0	5,750.6	10,532.1	11,839.7	8,376.2	6,333.2	3,615.1	7,372.4	8,189.9	6,152.4	7,971.9	6,261.9
Trades	93,969	66,529	97,428	90,655	90,337	118,214	166,734	126,827	108,991	84,736	131,994	125,441	130,054	153,188	109,620

Source: Dubai Financial Market, Kamco Invest Research

After being one of the best performing markets in the GCC during 2021, the DFM index recorded another year of gains in 2022. With a yearly gain of 4.4%, DFM ranked fourth in the region in terms of yearly returns. The DFM index touched a yearly high level on 05-May-2022 but receded towards the end of the year to close at 3,336.07 points. The benchmark witnessed gains consistently during the first five months of the year but recorded a sharp decline between June and mid-July. In terms of sector performance, the Consumer Staples was up almost 200% followed by Materials and Real Estate indices with yearly gains of 17.9% and 13.8%, respectively. On the decliner's side, the Utilities index topped with a fall of 14.4% followed by Communication Services and Consumer Discretionary indices with declines of 12.4% and 1.5%, respectively. The Financials sector was almost flat with a marginal decline of 0.2%.

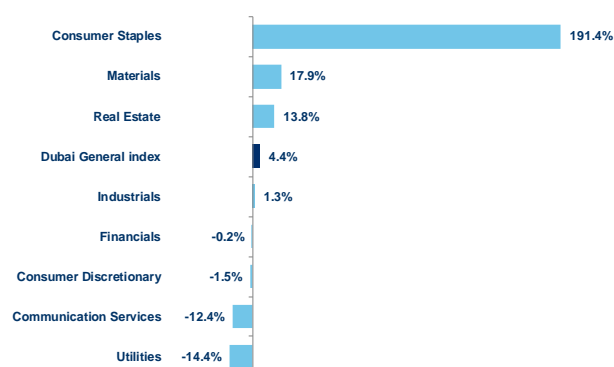
In terms of yearly gainers, Gulf Navigation Holding was leading with its stock price up by 120.8% in 2022. United Foods Co and Air Arabia followed, as their stock prices jumped up by 78.4% and 48.3%, respectively. On the other hand, shares of Takaful Emarat Insurance declined the most in 2022 as its share price fell by 50.4% y-o-y. Dubai Financial Market and Ektitab Holding followed with declines of 46.8% and 45.9%, respectively for the year.

In terms of trading activity for 2022, DFM witnessed mixed trends, as volume traded decreased by 23% y-o-y to reach 37.9 Bn shares. In terms of value traded, total value of shares improved by 26.3% y-o-y to reach AED 88.9 Bn indicating higher trades in large-cap stocks during the year. Emaar Properties was the most actively traded stock on the exchange for the second consecutive year as AED 26.8 Bn worth of its stock was traded in DFM. Emirates NBD and Dubai Islamic Bank followed with value traded of AED 10.6 Bn and AED 10 Bn, respectively. In terms of volume traded in the exchange during 2022, for the second consecutive year, Emaar Properties topped with a volume of 4.7 Bn of its shares in 2022 as compared to 3.9 Bn in 2021. Union Properties and Deyaar Development followed at 4.2 Bn and 3.1 Bn, respectively.

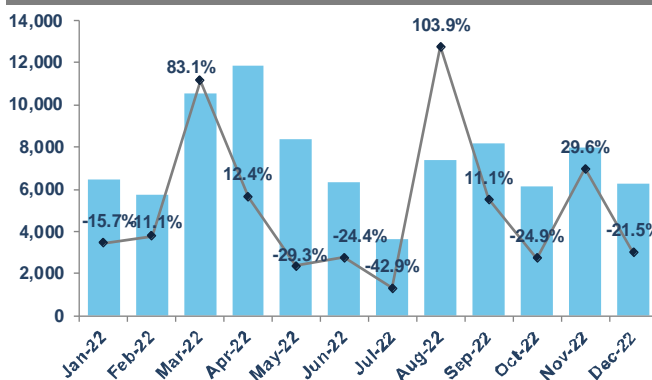
In market news, Dubai executed significant part of its plans to list around ten state-owned companies in Dubai's Stock Exchange as part of a strategy to compete with other regional exchanges that have seen a flurry of listings during 2021. Six companies have been listed in the DFM during 2022 including DEWA (Dubai Water and Electricity Authority) which raised AED 22.3 Bn (USD 6.1 Bn) in the GCC's largest IPO since Aramco's flotation in Saudi Arabia's stock exchange (Tadawul). Other major listings in DFM during 2022 included Salik, Dubai's toll operator, which raised AED 3.7 Bn (USD 1 Bn) from its initial public offering.

On the economic side, Dubai's GDP expanded 4.6% for the first nine months of 2022 to reach AED 307.5 Bn (USD 84 Bn), according to official sources, due to Dubai's responsive and efficient economic framework. Wholesale and retail trade represented 24.1 % of Dubai's GDP for the first nine months of 2022. Dubai accommodated 10.12 Mn international visitors between January and September this year, as compared to 3.85 Mn visitors during the similar period in 2021. In the recently approved budget for 2023 to 2025, the UAE government allocated AED 67.5 Bn spending in 2023 for Dubai to develop and expand the Dubai Strategic Plan 2030.

## DFM 2022 Sector Performance



## Value Traded (AED Mn)



Source: Dubai Financial Market, Kamco Invest Research

## Qatar Exchange

Monthly Indicators	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22
<b>QE 20 Index</b>	<b>12,498.2</b>	<b>12,948.8</b>	<b>13,533.2</b>	<b>13,590.8</b>	<b>12,919.4</b>	<b>12,191.3</b>	<b>13,370.0</b>	<b>13,425.6</b>	<b>12,695.3</b>	<b>12,414.4</b>	<b>11,926.0</b>	<b>10,681.1</b>
Monthly % Change	7.5%	3.6%	4.5%	0.4%	(4.9%)	(5.6%)	9.7%	0.4%	(5.4%)	(2.2%)	(3.9%)	(10.4%)
<b>Market Cap (QAR Bn)</b>	<b>718.9</b>	<b>734.9</b>	<b>760.9</b>	<b>760.7</b>	<b>732.9</b>	<b>684.0</b>	<b>734.9</b>	<b>748.2</b>	<b>705.3</b>	<b>694.7</b>	<b>669.5</b>	<b>608.2</b>
P/E (X) - TTM	17.75	17.00	17.40	16.83	16.00	15.10	15.93	15.52	14.28	13.84	13.30	11.91
P/BV (X) - TTM	1.82	1.90	1.94	1.95	1.90	1.75	1.89	1.88	1.73	1.65	1.57	1.41
Dividend Yield (%)	2.38%	2.52%	3.34%	3.20%	3.40%	3.57%	3.26%	3.24%	3.52%	3.67%	3.82%	4.27%
Volume (Mn Shares)	3,547.4	4,279.6	6,908.5	4,395.4	3,430.2	4,036.7	2,599.2	5,150.6	3,186.1	3,640.5	2,542.3	1,867.7
Value (QAR Mn)	11,782.4	13,785.3	24,337.4	15,868.1	15,771.9	15,387.7	8,041.6	16,248.3	11,364.0	10,470.5	10,279.1	7,238.8
Trades	247,566	276,779	451,044	364,354	410,034	395,328	275,290	418,189	348,452	337,405	342,259	256,477

Source: Qatar Exchange, Kamco Invest Research

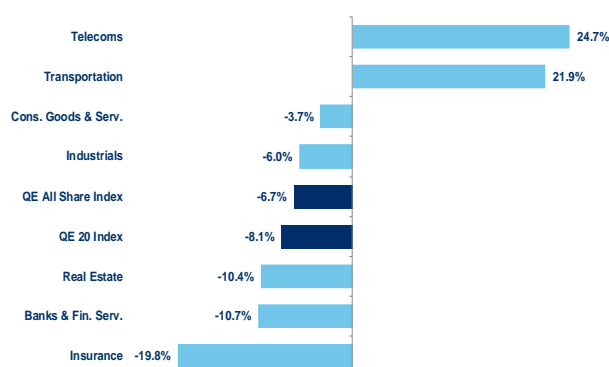
After four consecutive years of positive performances as one of the best performing markets in the GCC, the Qatar Stock Exchange reported the biggest decline in the GCC during 2022. The DSM index declined by 8.1% in 2022 and closed at 10,681.1 points. Comparatively, the Qatar All Share Index declined by a slightly smaller rate of 6.7%, indicating a broad-based weakness in the market. The sector performance chart for the year was skewed towards decliners. In terms of index performance, the Telecoms index was the best performing index with a gain of 24.7% led by the shares of Ooredoo which was up by 31.1% during the year, while shares of Vodafone Qatar declined by 4.9%. The Transportation index followed with gains of 21.9% led by the positive performance of most of the constituents' stocks. Qatar Navigation (+32.9) and Qatar Gas Transport Co Ltd (+11.0) witnessed strong gains for the year. The Insurance index was the worst performing index for the year, declining by 19.8% y-o-y, followed by Banks & Financial Service and Real Estate index that receded by 10.7% and 10.4% by the end of the year. The decline in the Insurance index came after three out of five constituents of the index reported declines during the year. Al Khaleej Takaful Group, Qatar Insurance Co and Qatar General Insurance & Reinsurance declined by -36.1%, -30.1% and -26.6% respectively. The decline of the Banking & Finance index was led by fall in the shares of large -cap banks in the sector including QNB (-10.8%) and Commercial Bank of Qatar (-25.9%), whereas, Qatar International Islamic Bank, Ahli Bank and Qatar Islamic Bank reported gains of 12.9%, 9.9% and 1.3%, respectively.

Trading activity on the exchange was mixed as value traded during this year increased by 43.3% to reach QAR 160.6 Bn in 2022 as compared to QAR 112.0 Bn in 2021. Trading volume, however, decreased by 2.3% to reach 45.6 Bn shares in 2022, as against 46.7 shares in 2021. QNB was once again the most heavily traded stock in 2022 with yearly value traded at QAR 24.3 Bn accounting for 14.9% of the total value traded followed by Masraf Al Rayan and Qatar Islamic Bank at QAR 14.9 Bn and QAR 14.3 Bn, respectively. In terms of yearly volume, QAMCO topped with 5.2 Bn shares followed by Salam International Investment and Investment Holding Group at 4.5 Bn and 4.3 Bn shares, respectively.

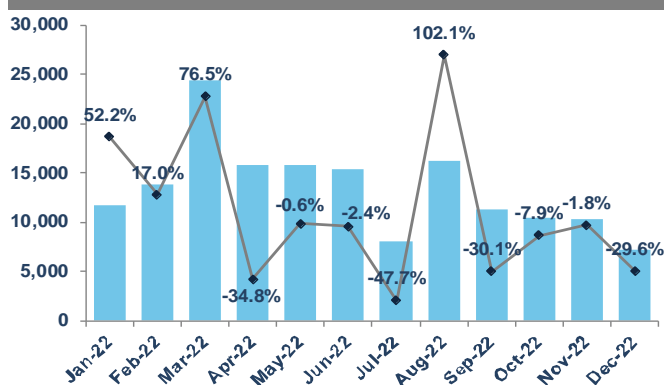
Mannai Corp topped the gainers chart for the year with a gain of 59.8% followed by Investment Holding Group and Qatar Navigation with gains of 46.5% and 32.9%, respectively. In terms of laggards, Qatar German Co for Medical Devices Co. saw its stock price decline by over 60.5% for the year and was the worst performer followed by Widam Food Co and Doha Bank, as they saw their stock prices receded by over 43.5% and 39.0%, respectively.

On the economic front, Qatar approved the state general budget for the next fiscal year of 2023 with an expected fiscal surplus of QAR 29 Bn (USD 8 Bn), up by 16.3% from the previous year. The budget forecasts revenues to increase to QAR 228 Bn (USD 62.6 Bn), while expenses are expected to reach QAR 199 Bn (USD 54.6 Bn). Oil and Gas revenues are projected to grow by 20.8% to QAR 186 Bn (USD 52 Bn) compared to QAR 154 Bn (USD 42.4 Bn), whereas non-oil revenue is estimated to remain in line with 2022 at QAR 42 Bn (USD 11.5 Bn). According to the Finance Ministry, Qatar posted a budget surplus of QAR 30 Bn (USD 8.19 Bn) for the Q3-2022, benefited from huge windfalls from soaring global oil and gas prices.

### QE 2022 Sector Performance



### Value Traded (QAR Mn)



Source: Qatar Exchange, Kamco Invest Research



## Bahrain Bourse

Monthly Indicators	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22
Bahrain All Share Index	1,809.82	1,963.62	2,073.54	2,056.15	1,920.78	1,839.63	1,905.52	1,918.01	1,881.99	1,864.65	1,864.91	1,895.27
Monthly % Change	0.7%	8.5%	5.6%	(0.8%)	(6.6%)	(4.2%)	3.6%	0.7%	(1.9%)	(0.92%)	0.01%	1.63%

Market Cap (BHD Mn)	11,892	12,799	13,461	13,356	12,561	12,075	12,471	12,534	12,322	25,088	32,712	32,639
P/E (X) - TTM	10.15	8.29	8.75	8.68	7.30	6.99	7.22	6.56	6.44	4.81	5.08	5.18
P/BV (X) - TTM	0.87	0.92	0.97	0.97	0.90	0.86	0.89	0.89	0.88	0.66	0.66	0.67
Dividend Yield (%)	3.45%	3.17%	4.62%	5.45%	5.80%	6.09%	5.88%	5.53%	5.64%	5.69%	5.69%	5.60%
Volume (Mn Shares)	39.7	52.3	24.0	73.3	48.1	43.5	35.3	40.8	30.2	47.2	29.7	24.6
Value (BHD Mn)	12.5	16.9	71.4	24.3	11.7	13.2	9.0	17.4	10.1	13.3	15.3	5.7
Trades	1,277	1,933	2,525	1,936	1,688	1,476	1,067	1,385	1,187	1,015	840	803

Source: Bahrain Bourse, Kamco Invest Research

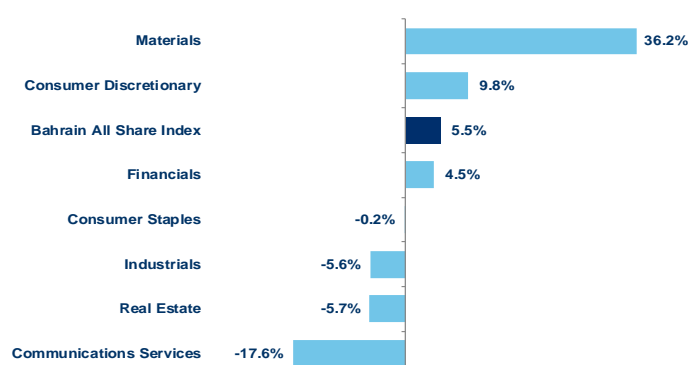
The Bahrain Bourse All Share Index witnessed its second consecutive yearly growth registering a 5.5% rise in 2022 that came after a healthy growth of 20.6% in 2021. The index wrapped the year at 1,895.27 points ranking third in the GCC in terms of yearly returns during 2022. During the year, the benchmark reached a 14-year high level during March-2022 at 2,122.51 points but consistent declines during Q2-2022 pushed the index down to a yearly low of 1,806.3 points at the end of June-2022. Q3-2022 showed gains but the last quarter was largely subdued only to see gains towards the end of the year. Sectoral performance was mixed between gainers and decliners. Three out of the seven indices of the Bourse registered gains during the year as compared to four decliners. The Materials Sector, which has only one constituent company (Aluminum Bahrain), recorded the biggest yearly growth in the Bourse during the year registering 36.2% yearly increase to close the year at 5,007.66 points. ALBA's share price jump underlined the company's robust financial performance during the year. The company reported 9M-2022 net profits of BHD 376.7 Mn against BHD 270.7 Mn in 9M-2021.

Aluminum Bahrain led Bahrain Bourse's yearly gainers table recording 36.2% gain in share price during 2022. Gulf Hotel Group and Nass Corp followed as the second and third biggest gainers registering 19% and 11.4% share rises, respectively. On the decliners side, Ithmaar Holding topped the yearly table registering 39.4% y-o-y fall in share price followed by Esterad Investment and Arab Banking Corp which witnessed 31% and 27.8% decline in their share prices, respectively.

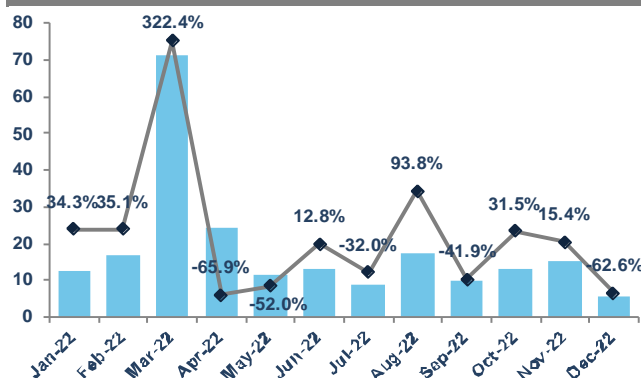
Trading activity in the Bahrain Bourse fell sharply during 2022. Total value traded during the year fell by 33.8% to BHD 221 Mn down from BHD 331 Mn during 2021. Similarly, total yearly volume traded in the bourse also declined 44.5% to 489 Mn shares during 2022 down from 880 Mn in 2021. Aluminum Bahrain topped the yearly value traded chart with BHD 64.3 Mn worth of shares changing hands during the year followed by Ahli United Bank and GFH Financial Group which at BHD 57.6 Mn BHD 36.4 Mn shares traded, respectively. In terms of volume traded during the year, GFH Financial Group lead the way witnessing 118.4 Mn of its shares changing hands during year. Al Salam Bank-Bahrain and Ahli United Bank followed witnessing 109.8 Mn and 61 Mn of their respective shares being traded during 2022.

On the economic front, the Bahraini economy is expected to grow 6% in 2022 supported by strong non-oil growth which is led by the Construction and Tourism sectors, according to credit ratings agency Fitch. The agency expects the robust GDP expansion to be accompanied by a significant decrease in the Kingdom's budget deficit from 9.6% of GDP in 2021 to 3.6% of GDP in 2022 supported by the rise in global oil prices and the recovery of the domestic economy. In comparison, the agency's relatively more optimistic than the IMF's 3.4% GDP growth forecast for the Kingdom during 2022 penciled in its latest Regional Economic Outlook. On the other hand, the agency expects Bahraini economy to witness a GDP growth of just over 2% in 2023 as global outlook for oil prices dampens. So far, Bahraini's quarterly GDP has grown 5.54% in Q1-2022, 6.9% in Q2-2022 and 5.5% in Q3-2022 primarily driven by growth in the Kingdom's non-oil sector underlining the implementation of the country's economic reform plan.

### BSE 2022 Sector Performance



### Value Traded (BHD Mn)



Source: Bahrain Bourse, Kamco Invest Research

# Muscat Securities Market

Monthly Indicators	Jan-22	Feb-22	Mar-22	Apr-22	May-22	Jun-22	Jul-22	Aug-22	Sep-22	Oct-22	Nov-22	Dec-22
<b>MSM 30 Index</b>	4,116.0	4,055.4	4,205.2	4,158.4	4,116.0	4,122.6	4,532.1	4,585.3	4,528.3	4,366.0	4,613.7	4,857.4
Monthly % Change	(0.3%)	(1.5%)	3.7%	(1.1%)	(1.0%)	0.2%	9.9%	1.2%	(1.2%)	(3.6%)	5.7%	5.3%
<b>Market Cap (OMR Mn)</b>	7,235	7,800	7,488	7,466	7,406	7,390	7,975	8,134	8,090	7,896	8,159	8,439
P/E (X) - TTM	11.01	11.23	12.07	12.04	11.80	11.85	12.49	13.16	13.12	11.12	12.93	13.85
P/BV (X) - TTM	0.83	0.82	0.83	0.82	0.80	0.85	0.93	0.93	0.92	0.88	0.97	1.03
Dividend Yield (%)	3.86%	3.84%	4.26%	4.93%	5.00%	5.00%	4.55%	4.49%	4.52%	4.57%	4.03%	3.59%
Volume (Mn Shares)	341.8	504.8	838.1	522.1	252.5	254.0	219.9	314.3	184.7	174.1	276.2	339.4
Value (OMR Mn)	62.8	87.7	168.5	90.4	74.3	51.0	53.0	77.7	44.4	43.3	53.3	76.2
Trades	11,801	10,722	15,086	16,848	9,470	9,157	8,253	14,858	8,573	7,129	9,523	11,966

Source: Muscat Securities Market, Kamco Invest Research.

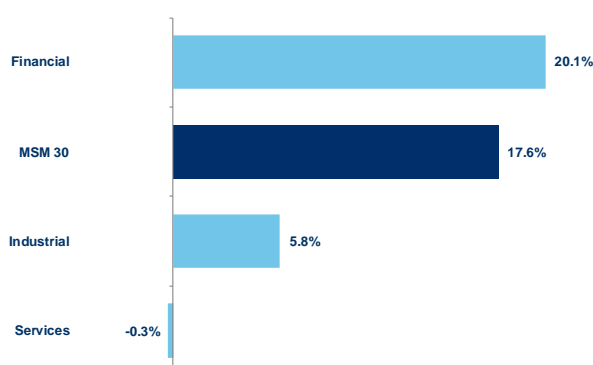
The MSX index recorded gains for the second consecutive year and was the second-best performing market in the GCC during 2022. The MSX 30 Index surged 17.6% during the year as compared to a slightly smaller growth of 12.9% during 2021 and closed at 4,857.4 points surpassing its pre-pandemic levels. The index surged to the highest level in almost five years but receded towards the last few trading sessions. Most of the index growth happened during the second half of the year. During the year, the index recovered from its lowest level recorded in February-2022 by 21.4% until it's yearly peak closing price of 4,898.86 points on 13-December-2022.

Sectoral performance was generally positive for the year as two of the three main sectors witnessed y-o-y gains. The Financial Sector was the best performing index on the MSX, gaining 20.1% to close at 7,903.4 points, as a significant number of the sector's constituents posted yearly double-digit growth. The Industrial index followed with a gain of 5.8%, closing the year at 6,427.4 points. Oman Chlorine Co (+184%) was the top performing stock on the index followed by Dhofar Poultry Co (+150%) and Galfar Engineering and Contracting (+135.6%). The Services index recorded a marginal dip of 0.3% in 2022 to close the year at 1,616.6 points. The Services index had some of the largest yearly decliners including the top two decliners, ACWA Power Barka (-50%) and Sohar Power (-48.7%), which affected the sector's overall performance during the year.

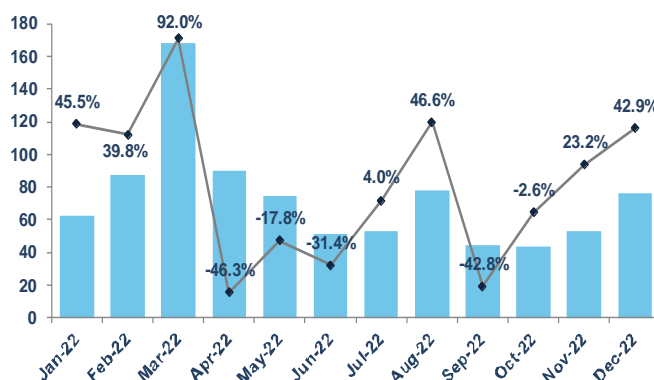
Trading activity on the exchange was mixed during the year as compared to 2021. Total value traded rose by 36.8% to reach OMR 882.7 Mn in 2022 as compared to OMR 645.2 Mn in 2021. Comparatively, total yearly volume traded also dropped during 2022 registering a 13.3% decline to reach 4.2 Bn shares as compared to 4.9 Bn shares during 2021. Bank Muscat topped the yearly value traded chart for the third consecutive year with OMR 196 Mn worth of shares changing hands during the year as compared to OMR 103.8 Mn value of shares traded in 2021. Oman Telecom and National Bank of Oman followed as the second and third recording value traded at OMR 112.3 Mn and OMR 40.7 Mn, respectively. Bank Muscat lead the way in terms of volume traded during the year with 736.1 Mn shares traded during the year against 99.1 Mn shares in 2021 followed by NBO and Bank of Nizwa with 423.6 Mn and 246.5 Mn in trades shares for each of these stocks, respectively.

On the economic side, Oman is expected to have its first yearly fiscal surplus in over ten years. The Sultanate posted a budget surplus of OMR 1.2 Bn during the first 10 months of 2022 as compared to a deficit of OMR 1 Bn during the similar period in 2021. The Sultanate's improved finances were underpinned by higher oil prices and higher crude production which led to a 42% increase in Oman's revenue that reached OMR 11.9 Bn between January and October 2022, according to government data. Comparatively, total public expenditure increased by 14% during the same period to reach OMR 10.7 Bn. The Sultanate's overall budget surplus is forecasted to reach 6.5% of GDP or OMR 1.1 Bn in 2022. On the other hand, Oman is expected to report a budget deficit of OMR 1.3 Bn or 3% of its GDP in 2023. The projected deficits reflect an uncertain global economy combined with the persisting financial and economic challenges such as higher interest rates, inflation, and the threat of looming global recession.

## MSM 2022 Sector Performance



## Value Traded (OMR Mn)



Source: Muscat Securities Market, Kamco Invest Research

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