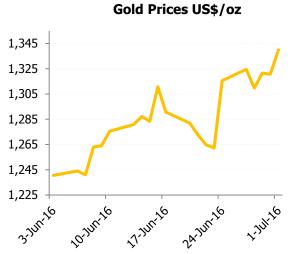


WEEKLY ECONOMIC REVIEW

Commodity	30-Day	Price	Chart
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Commodity Prices

Daily	US\$/oz	WoW %∆
24-Jun-16	1,316	
27-Jun-16	1,325	
28-Jun-16	1,310	
29-Jun-16	1,322	
30-Jun-16	1,321	
1-Jul-16	1,340	
		1.9

Commodity Developments

- Gold registered a positive weekly gain, supported by prospects for further monetary policy easing by major central banks in the wake of Britain's vote to leave the EU.
- Safe-haven demand for the metal spurred most of the gains as investors rushed to protect themselves against the uncertainty in the lead up and aftermath to Britain's shock vote to exit the EU, dubbed 'Brexit'.
- Looking ahead, gold will remain one of the major beneficiaries in the current backdrop, as heightened volatility and protracted uncertainty will keep investors' risk appetite in check
- In Tanzania, MMG Gold is expected to start mining operations at Seka village, Musoma District in Sep-16. Although the mining project is yet to begin operations, MMG Gold has already started providing social services like water to the villagers.



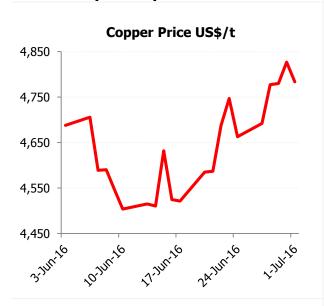
Daily	US\$/oz	WoW %Δ
24-Jun-16	981	
27-Jun-16	998	
28-Jun-16	986	
29-Jun-16	993	
30-Jun-16	1,009	
1-Jul-16	1,037	
		5.7

- Platinum marked its highest level since the 18th of May and registered its best weekly rise since Oct-15 supported by rise in gold prices.
- The Environmental Management Agency (EMA) approved the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for world top platinum producer, Anglo-American Platinum to construct its platinum smelting plant at its Zimbabwean unit, Unki Mine, marking a major progress in efforts to value add the mineral in line with the Gvt instruction.
- Apart from Unki, Zim is home to two other platinum mines, Zimplats owned by SA Implats and Mimosa Mines jointly owned by Implats and Aquarius Platinum.
- The companies rail their platinum to SA for processing prejudicing Zim of potential revenue and jobs.





Commodity 30-Day Price Chart



Commodity Prices

Daily	US\$/t	WoW %∆
24-Jun-16	4,663	
27-Jun-16	4,692	
28-Jun-16	4,778	
29-Jun-16	4,780	
30-Jun-16	4,827	
1-Jul-16	4,784	
		2.6

Commodity Developments

- Copper climbed higher bolstered by a softer dollar and fading fears about Brexit. After touching a low on the 24th of Jun-16 after the UK Brexit vote, copper has rallied as investors hope for more global stimulus measures.
- However, although demand is positive, it's not spectacular and there are many signals pointing to a copper market that is well supplied and prices are therefore expected to ease.
- In DRC, Gvt officials met mining executives to brainstorm on how they may save failing copper mines. Africa's leading copper producer has shed thousands of mining jobs this year after global commodities prices tumbled.
- Chinese companies, taking a longer-term view and keen to invest in muchneeded resources for China's economic development, are picking up some of DRC's failing copper mines.
- However, Chinese investments are not enough to reverse the decline in DRC's mining sector, which saw copper and cobalt output plunge by around 20% in Q1:16, while gold production fell by 8%.

Aluminium Prices US\$/t

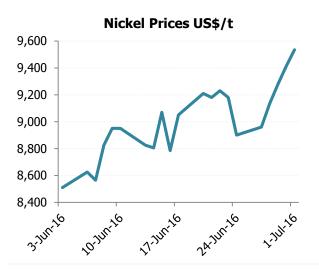


Daily	US\$/t	WoW %Δ
24-Jun-16	1,601	
27-Jun-16	1,592	
28-Jun-16	1,603	
29-Jun-16	1,614	
30-Jun-16	1,635	
1-Jul-16	1,645	
		2.8

- Aluminium rose to its highest in 8 months on expectations of more stimulus from China and some shortages of ingots.
- The metal has been bolstered as industrial firms in China increasingly buy it in liquid form, creating a shortage of ingots, the form of the metal which drives prices.
- The shortage was highlighted on the 1st of Jul-16 when weekly data showed inventories on the Shanghai Futures Exchange (ShFE) slid 11.5% to 163,664t.
- Generally, all metals won support from a softer dollar index, which makes commodities priced in it cheaper for buyers using other currencies.



Commodity 30-Day Price Chart

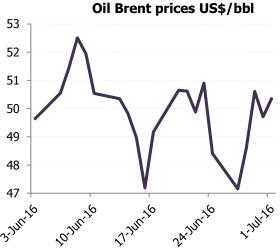


Commodity Prices

Daily	US\$/t	WoW %∆
24-Jun-16	8,900	
27-Jun-16	8,960	
28-Jun-16	9,135	
29-Jun-16	9,280	
30-Jun-16	9,415	
1-Jul-16	9,535	
	•	7.1

Commodity Developments

- Nickel prices hit its highest in nearly 8 months on worries about possible mine closures in the Philippines and hopes for more stimulus in China.
- Philippines new mining minister, a committed environmentalist, announced plans to review all mines operating in the country, the biggest supplier of nickel ore to China.
- China's NPI sector, an integral part of the country's stainless steel supply chain, has become increasingly dependent on Philippine ore since 2014, when its previous main supplier, Indonesia, banned all exports of unprocessed minerals.
- The move will be positive for the metal price which has long been suffering due to excess capacity.



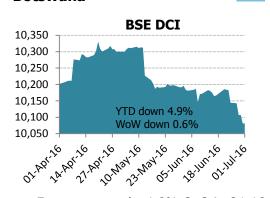
Daily	US\$/bbl	WoW %∆
24-Jun-16	48.41	
27-Jun-16	47.16	
28-Jun-16	48.58	
29-Jun-16	50.61	
30-Jun-16	49.71	
1-Jul-16	50.35	
		4.0

- Brent crude posted its largest weekly gain since mid-May-16, as investors positioned for the start of Q3:16 trading.
- The 4% rise was the biggest in seven weeks, fed by a return of fund buying as the turmoil sparked by Britain's shock exit from the EU receded.
- The market shook off a closely-followed industry report that showed a 4th weekly rise in the number of US oil rigs operating. According to oil services firm Baker Hughes, producers added 11 oil rigs this week, the biggest increase since Dec- 15.
- Higher rigs indicate higher production, but the market however is still down by more than 300 rigs from a year ago.

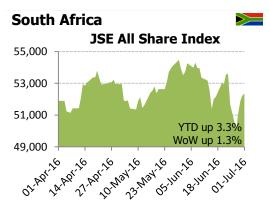




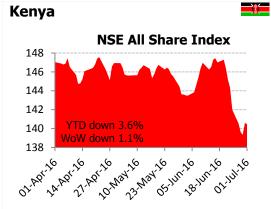
Equities 90-Day Index Charts Botswana



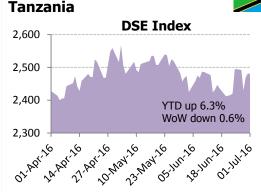
Economy grew by 1.8% QoQ in Q1:16 versus a 4.9% expansion in Q4:15.



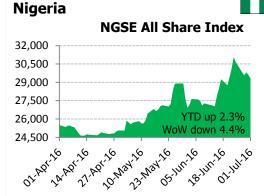
Economy is not growing fast enough to create jobs, but tax cuts or increases in public spending are unlikely to stimulate growth, treasury official says.



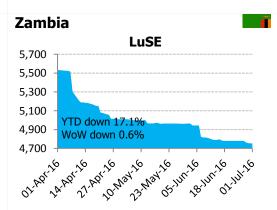
Private sector activity expanded in Jun-16 at the slowest pace since at least Jan-14 amid a slowdown in hiring and purchasing.



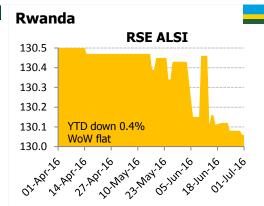
BoT expects economic growth to accelerate to 7.4% in 2017 from an estimated 7.2% this year, driven by construction, communications and finance.



Africa's richest man, Aliko Dangote, plans to launch Nigeria's first private crude oil refinery by 2019.



• Inflation slowed to 21% in Jun-16 from 21.3% YoY in May-16.



Trade deficit widened by 11% in Q1:16 and exports may deteriorate further due to depressed commodity prices. Mining exports especially coltan, are Rwanda's 2nd-biggest foreign exchange earner.

Zimbabwe



Zim hopes to get its proposal to clear debt arrears with multilateral lenders signed off by Dec-16.





Foreign Exchange Markets

	BWP	NGN	MZN	USD to:	TZS	ZMW	ZAR	EUR/USD	GBP/USD
Wk Ending		-				-	-	-	-
24-Jun-16	11.11	281	62.48	782	2,192	10.85	14.92	1.115	1.382
Daily									
27-Jun-16	11.04	281	62.70	782	2,191	10.79	15.11	1.106	1.340
28-Jun-16	11.09	282	63.47	782	2,190	10.69	15.18	1.107	1.334
29-Jun-16	11.04	282	63.29	783	2,190	10.38	15.03	1.106	1.339
30-Jun-16	10.94	283	63.49	783	2,190	9.93	14.76	1.112	1.346
1-Jul-16	10.94	282	63.59	783	2,190	9.58	14.68	1.111	1.331
WoW %∆	-1.53	0.45	1.78	0.13	-0.11	-11.73	-1.60	-0.34	-3.65
YTD %∆	-2.63	43.38	-67.64	4.80	1.41	-12.77	-5.72	1.73	-10.29

NB: Nigeria changed its exchange rate policy from a fixed regime to a flexible exchange rate policy on the 20th of Jun-16.

	ZAR/BWP	ZAR/MZN	ZAR/ZMW	ZAR/RWF	ZAR/TZS
Wk Ending					
24-Jun-16	0.724	4.34	0.721	54.2	152
Daily					
27-Jun-16	0.729	4.09	0.703	52.3	145
28-Jun-16	0.727	4.19	0.706	50.6	142
29-Jun-16	0.730	4.24	0.695	51.5	144
30-Jun-16	0.735	4.32	0.674	53.0	146
01-Jul-16	0.735	4.38	0.658	53.0	146
WoW %∆	1.50	0.92	-8.66	-2.35	-3.95
YTD %∆	1.65	52.08	-6.68	10.19	5.04

Exchange Rate Developments

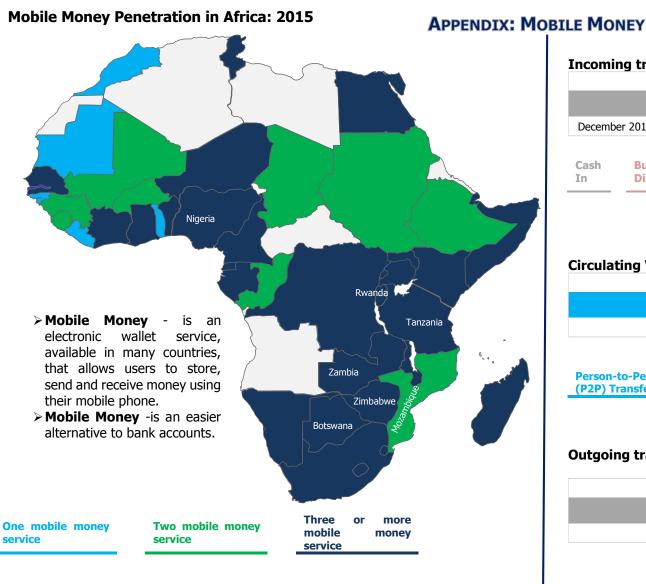
- The GBP has continued weakening against the USD after the Brexit vote.
- SA's rand and BWP firmed alongside other emerging market assets as investors expect leading central banks to keep rates low to minimise the damage to the global economy after Brexit.
- Zambia's kwacha rose to a 6-week high against the USD as companies exchanged greenbacks for the local currency to meet quarterly tax payments. Taxes in Zambia a remitted in local currency.
- The Bank of Zambia (BOZ) is expected keep a tight grip on ZMW supply by regularly issuing short term debt to protect the value of the local currency in the run-up to Aug 11 presidential and parliamentary elections.
- The TZS is expected to continue strengthen slightly in the days ahead as companies sell dollars to pay their taxes.
- The Nigerian naira (NGN is likely to trade within a range, but could depreciate a little on the parallel market as summer holiday makers increase demand for the greenback.
- Foreign debt issues and occasional militant attacks by Renamo will continue to weigh down on Mozambique's Meticais as they derail investor sentiments.
- High demand for USD in Rwanda to pay for major infrastructure projects have added depreciation pressures on the RWF. As such, the central bank is selling US\$8m/week to support a weakening local currency.
- On the backside, Rwanda's foreign reserves have been hit by falling revenues from mining. The nation however secured an 18-month US\$204m standby facility from the IMF to bolster reserves.

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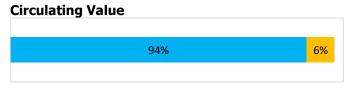




Mobile Money Usage in Africa: 2015



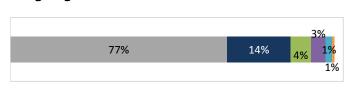
Mobile Money Ecosystem Incoming transactions US\$6.8bn



Person-to-Person Merchant Payment (P2P) Transfer

Circulating value US\$5.4bn

Outgoing transactions



Transactions US\$6.7bn

Cashout

Bill **Payment** **Airtime** top-up

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Off-net transfer **International** remittance

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