

Daily Market Report



Monday, April 20, 2026

The Market Starts the Week on a Continuous uptrend.....Up by 45bps Today

The All Share Index starts the week on a continuous upward trend. In today's market, the local bourse (NGX) closed the day on a bullish note as ASI appreciated by **45bps** driven by price appreciation and increased buying interest in all sectoral tickers. As a result, the benchmark All Share Index (ASI) closed positively to settle at **218,115.07pts**.

Market Capitalization closed positively at **N140.35trillion**, as investors gained **N632.88billion**, and Year-to-date (YtD) gain increased to **40.17%**.

What shaped today's market direction

The gains in today's market can majorly be attributed to price appreciation and increase buying interest in **ZENITHBANK (0.95%)**, **ARADEL (1.87%)**, **FIRSTHOLDCO (6.25%)** and **GTCO (1.09%)** offsetting losses in **MTNN (-0.55%)**, **NGXGROUP (-3.24%)**, **OANDO (-4.56%)** and **JAIZBANK (-6.34%)** which kept the ASI in a positive terrain. Gains were recorded in large-cap, mid-cap, and small-cap stocks in **NGX30**, **NGXBNK**, **NGXCG**, **NGXINDUSTR**, and **NGXOILGAS**. The market breadth measured by advancers/ decliners was positive closing at **1.02x**, indicating more advancers than laggards. The top gainers include **NAHCO (10.00%)**, **UNIONDICON (10.00%)**, **FIDELITYBK (9.98%)**, **TRANSEXPR (9.92%)** and **ACCESSCORP (9.87%)**.

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At the close of today's trade **STANBIC (-10%)**, **LIVINGTRUST (-10%)**, **TRANSPower (-9.97%)**, **ABBEYBDS (-9.88%)** and **GUINEAINS (-8.80%)** were among the **35** market laggards as **133** stocks traded today.

Market activity measured by aggregate volume decreased by **21.79%**, with aggregate value depreciating by **6.49%**. Investors traded a total of **983.86mn** units of shares valued at **N50.74bn** in **76,114** deals.

The most active stocks by volume were **ACCESSCORP**, which traded **91.64mn** units, followed by **FIRSTHOLDCO** with **70.16mn** units, **ZENITHBANK** with **54.92mn** units, **LASACO** with **53.75mn** units, and **UBA** with **52.56mn** units.

The most active stocks by value were **ZENITHBANK**, which traded **N7bn**, followed by **ARADEL** with **N6.69bn**, **MTNN** with **N5.45bn**, **FIRSTHOLDCO** with **N4.77bn**, and **GTCO** with **N3.64bn**.

SECTORAL PERFORMANCE

INDEX	CHANGE PRICE	CHANGE PERCENT %
NGX30	35.13	0.44
NGXBNK	57.98	2.56
NGXCG	133.60	2.15
NGXINDUSTR	31.53	0.35
NGXINS	0.05	0.00
NGXOILGAS	39.50	0.75

NGX Market Indices

All Share Index	218,115.07
Previous ASI	217,131.54
% Day Change	0.45%
% Weekly Change	0.45%
No. of Deals	76,114
Volume	983,862,676
Value	50,747,280,406.88
Market Cap	140,354,200,762,761.00
1 Month High	218,115.07
1 Month Low	192,826.78

NGX Top Gainers

Symbols	Daily ▲	Price (₦)
NAHCO	22.00	242.00
UNIONDICON	1.65	18.15
FIDELITYBK	2.00	22.05
TRANSEXPR	0.60	6.65
ACCESSCORP	2.95	32.85

NGX Top Losers

Symbols	Daily ▼	Price (₦)
STANBIC	18.85	169.70
LIVINGTRUST	0.41	3.69
TRANSPower	30.20	272.70
ABBEYBDS	0.80	7.30
GUINEAINS	0.11	1.14

NGX Top Volume

Symbols	Price (₦)	Volumes (units)
ACCESSCORP	32.85	91,647,287
FIRSTHOLDCO	68.00	70,169,145
ZENITHBANK	127.20	54,928,477
LASACO	2.00	53,756,917
UBA	52.00	52,569,294

NGX Top Value

Symbols	Price (₦)	Values (₦)
ZENITHBANK	127.20	7,004,199,016.30
ARADEL	1,679.90	6,696,032,011.90
MTNN	820.50	5,450,554,158.90
FIRSTHOLDCO	68.00	4,778,716,139.25
GTCO	129.90	3,646,112,393.60

CORPORATE ACTION

COMPANY	FINAL DIVIDEND/ SHARE	QUALIFICATION DATE	PAYMENT DATE
Mecure industries plc	0.32	April 23, 2026.	Till further notice
Stanbic IBTC Holdings Plc	4.00	May 4, 2026.	May 26, 2026
Dangote Cement Plc	45.00	June 17, 2026	July 2, 2026
United Capital Plc	0.70	April 7, 2026	April 24, 2026
MTN Nigeria Communications Plc	15.00	April 8, 2026	May 5, 2026
Unilever Nigeria Plc	3.25	April 10, 2026	May 8, 2026
Zenith bank PLC	8.75	April 24, 2026	May 5, 2026
Africa Prudential Plc	0.40	March 12, 2026	April 2, 2026
Haldane McCall PLC	0.05	May 28, 2026	June 18, 2026,
BUA CEMENT PLC	10.00	May 8, 2026	May 21, 2026
Nigerian Exchange Group	2.00	April 10, 2026	April 28, 2026
Transcorp	1.60	May 1, 2026	May 19, 2026
Wapco (Lafarge Cement)	6.00	April 3, 2026	April 30,2026
Seplat	\$0.085	May 15, 2026	May 29, 2026
Transcorp	4.00	April 17, 2026	May 5, 2026
GTCO	11.76	April 13, 2026	April 28, 2026
Geregu Power	9.00	April 13, 2026	April 30, 2026

NASD Market

The NASD market closed positively after today's trading activities, as the Unlisted Securities Index (NSI) closed at **3,893.15**. Furthermore, Market Capitalization closed positively at **2,329.36bn**. Market activity measured by aggregate volume decreased to **131,870** units with values increasing to **17,755,584.77** in 24 deals.

GLOBAL MARKET INDICES

MARKET	PREVIOUS CLOSE	TODAY'S CLOSE	%CHANGE
DJIA	48,578.72	49,447.43	1.79%
S&P 500	7,041.28	7,126.06	1.20%
FTSE 100 INDEX	10,667.63	10,614.74	0.50%
GERMAN DAX	24,702.24	24,361.17	1.38%
FRENCH CAC	9,581.66	9,481.64	1.04%
NIKKEI 225	58,475.90	58,824.89	0.60%
NGX (ASI)	217,167.57	218,115.07	0.45%

MACRO ECONOMIC INDICATORS

PARAMETER	CURRENT	PREVIOUS
GDP (%)	4.07	3.98
INFLATION (%)	15.38	15.06
UNEMPLOYMENT (%)	4.90	4.60
MPR (%)	26.50	27.00
BRENT CRUDE (US \$)	95.01	89.69

WORDS	MEANING
NASD	National Association of Securities Dealers
Bearish	Decline in prices, negative sentiments, downward trend
Bullish	Surge in prices, positive sentiments, upward trend
Y-o-Y	Year-on-Year
M-o-M	Month-on-Month
Y-t-d	Year-to-date
W-o-W	Week-on-week
BPS	Basis Points

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