

Daily Market Report



Friday, September 18, 2026

Bulls dominate the week, up 278bps.....as the market advances 142bps today.

The local bourse (NGX) closed the day on a bullish note as ASI increased by **142bps** driven by price appreciation and increased buying interest in all sectoral tickers except **NGXCNSMRGDS**. As a result, the benchmark All Share Index (ASI) closed positively to settle at **249,804.56**.

Market Capitalization closed positively at **N162.15trillion**, as investors gained **N2.26trillion**, and Year-to-date (YtD) gain increased to **60.53%**.

What shaped today's market direction

The gains in today's market can majorly be attributed to price appreciation and increase buying interest in **FIRSTHOLDCO (8.11%)**, **MTNN (9.2%)**, **DANGCEM (1.55%)** and **WEMABANK (9.03%)** offsetting losses in **ZENITHBANK (-0.08%)**, **NGXGROUP (-1.42%)**, **ACCESSCORP (-0.17%)** and **FIDELITYBK (-3.54%)** which kept the ASI in a positive terrain. Gains were recorded in large-cap, mid-cap, and small-cap stocks in **NGXBNK**, **NGXCG**, **NGXINDUSTR**, **NGXINS**, **NGXOILGAS**. The market breadth measured by advancers/ decliners was positive closing at **1.63x**, indicating more advancers than laggards. The top gainers include **FTGINSURE (10%)**, **CILEASING (10%)**, **MTNN (9.2%)**, **MBENEFIT (9.09%)** and **NSLTECH (9.09%)**.

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At the close of today's trade **TRANSPower (-9.96%)**, **CADBURY (-9.32%)**, **OMATEK (-8.4%)**, **SOVRENINS (-6.78%)** and **ELLAHLAKES (-5.11%)** were among the **22** market laggards as **133** stocks traded today.

Market activity measured by aggregate volume decreased by **52.15%**, with aggregate value depreciating by **31.28%**. Investors traded a total of **520.99mn** units of shares valued at **N29.80bn** in **44,113** deals.

The most active stocks by volume were **MBENEFIT**, which traded **76.64mn** units, followed by **AVACAP** with **54.86mn** units, **STERLINGNG** with **41.89mn** units, **ZENITHBANK** with **30.71mn** units, and **FIRSTHOLDCO** with **23.79mn** units.

The most active stocks by value were **ZENITHBANK**, which traded **N3.94bn**, followed by **FIRSTHOLDCO** with **N3.7bn**, **ARADEL** with **N3.24bn**, **MTNN** with **N3.24bn**, and **DANGCEM** with **N2.59bn**.

SECTORAL PERFORMANCE

INDEX	CHANGE PRICE	CHANGE PERCENT %
NGXCNSMRGDS	-14.81	-0.36
NGXBNK	57.59	2.23
NGXCG	189.43	2.60
NGXINDUSTR	82.63	0.81
NGXINS	11.24	1.03
NGXOILGAS	0.61	0.01

NGX Market Indices

All Share Index	249,804.56
Previous ASI	246,315.38
% Day Change	1.42%
% Weekly Change	2.78%
No. of Deals	44,113
Volume	520,991,705
Value	29,807,324,954.22
Market Cap	162,157,121,076,957.00
1 Month High	249,804.56
1 Month Low	244,802.83

NGX Top Gainers

Symbols	Daily ▲	Price (₦)
FTGINSURE	0.15	1.65
CILEASING	0.50	5.50
MTNN	75.00	890.00
MBENEFIT	0.30	3.60
NSLTECH	0.06	0.72

NGX Top Losers

Symbols	Daily ▼	Price (₦)
TRANSPower	19.70	178.00
CADBURY	5.45	53.00
OMATEK	0.11	1.20
SOVRENINS	0.16	2.20
ELLAHLAKES	0.45	8.35

NGX Top Volume

Symbols	Price (₦)	Volumes (units)
MBENEFIT	3.60	76,643,206
AVACAP	4.90	54,868,763
STERLINGNG	7.65	41,897,646
ZENITHBANK	128.40	30,717,172
FIRSTHOLDCO	160.00	23,795,891

NGX Top Value

Symbols	Price (₦)	Values (₦)
ZENITHBANK	128.40	3,943,017,193.50
FIRSTHOLDCO	160.00	3,703,338,546.95
ARADEL	1,550.00	3,242,067,152.30
MTNN	890.00	3,240,919,575.20
DANGCEM	1,050.00	2,598,907,114.50

CORPORATE ACTION

COMPANY	FINAL DIVIDEND/ SHARE	QUALIFICATION DATE	PAYMENT DATE
University Press Plc	0.18	August 28	September 24
Learn Africa Plc	0.35	September 11	September 25
ETRANZACT International Plc	0.125	July 6	Till further notice
Mecure industries plc	0.32	April 23, 2026.	Till further notice

NASD Market

The NASD market closed negatively after today's trading activities, as the Unlisted Securities Index (NSI) closed at **4,436.04**. Furthermore, Market Capitalization closed negatively at **2,662.57bn**. Market activity measured by aggregate volume increased to **2,726,701** units with values increasing to **57,420,293** in **23** deals.

GLOBAL MARKET INDICES

MARKET	PREVIOUS CLOSE	TODAY'S CLOSE	%CHANGE
DJIA	51,778.04	51,574.98	0.39%
S&P 500	7,637.76	7,623.01	0.19%
FTSE 100 INDEX	10,816.14	10,659.86	1.44%
GERMAN DAX	25,716.71	25,339.23	1.47%
FRENCH CAC	9,168.44	9,016.81	1.65%
NIKKEI 225	64,136.25	65,018.95	1.38%
NGX (ASI)	246,315.38	249,804.56	1.42%

MACRO ECONOMIC INDICATORS

PARAMETER	CURRENT	PREVIOUS
GDP (%)	4.43	3.89
INFLATION (%)	15.39	15.43
UNEMPLOYMENT (%)	4.90	4.60
MPR (%)	26.50	26.50
BRENT CRUDE (US \$)	103.43	105.83

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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