

What Moved the Markets this Week?

The Nigerian equities market ended the week on a positive note, marking the fourth consecutive week of gains this year. The All-Share Index advanced by 0.54% WoW to end the week at 46,205.05pts. Thus, the year-to-date return improved to +8.17%. The performance was mixed across sectors; the **NGXBNK** (+4.84%), **NGXCNSMRGDS** (+2.04%), and **NGXOILGAS** (+3.53%) closed up during the week. The **NGXINS** (-3.12%) and **NGXINDUSTR** (-5.12%) indices however closed in the negative region. **ETI** emerged as the week's top gainer, with a price gain of 44.75% for the week. While **CILEASING** shed 10.00% to top the losers' list.

During the week, the Monetary Policy Committee held its first meeting of the year, where it voted to keep all policy parameters unchanged. The Committee's decision to retain rates highlights its commitment to sustain economic growth despite heightened inflationary pressures. Also, the Minister of Finance declared the indefinite postponement of the planned removal of fuel subsidy which was earlier announced to commence in July 2022. The Minister cited the removal of subsidy as a downside risk to the country's inflationary pressures.

**FCMB**, **UNILEVER**, **GUINNESS**, **NEM**, **FLOURMILL** and **ETI** all released their unaudited results for the period ended 31st of December 2021 during the week. Performance was broadly impressive, as all of the companies recorded both top and bottom line growth. **NEM** however recorded a 13.94% YoY decline in earnings.

At the T-Bills primary auction held during the week, a total of NGN223.75bn was raised across the three (91-, 182-, and 364-days) maturities, with stop rates trending lower (2.48%, 3.30%, and 5.40% respectively) on all instruments. In the fixed secondary market, the mood was positive as average bonds yields declined to 11.12% from 11.24% last week, while average Treasury bills yield declined to 4.28% from 4.33% the previous week.

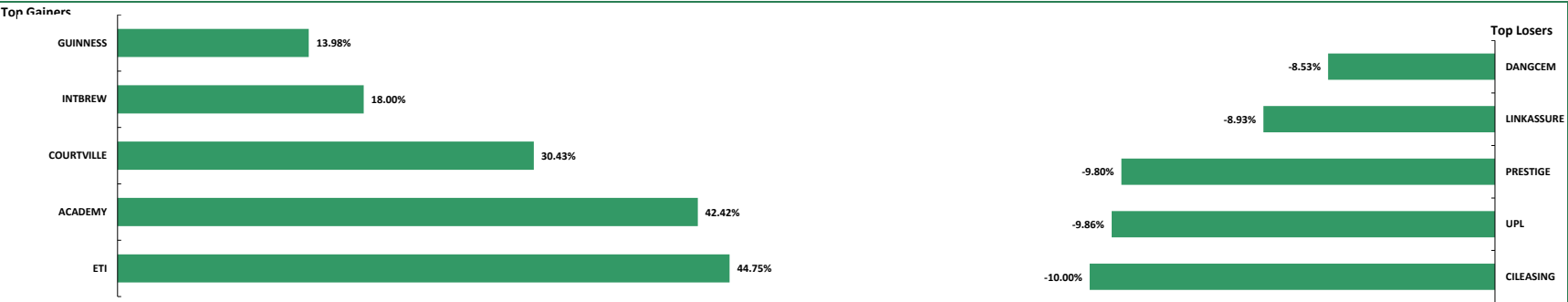
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Market Performance

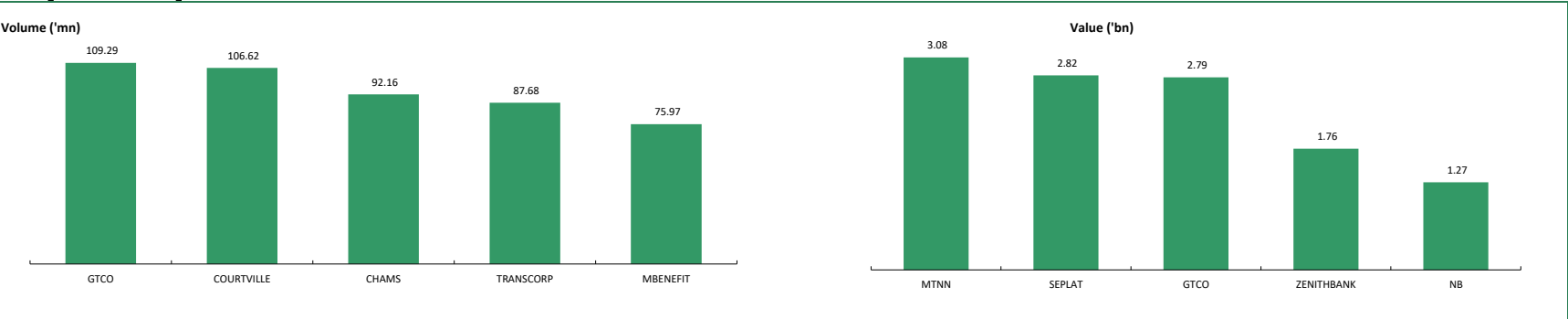
Equities	This Week	Previous Week	% Δ
NSEASI	46,205.05	45,957.35	0.54%
Volume ('bn)	1.42	1.32	7.84%
Value ('bn)	19.08	47.18	-59.56%
Mkt. Cap.	24.90	24.76	0.56%
Market Breadth	1.31x	1.77x	

Sectoral Indices	WtD	MtD	YtD
NGXBNK	4.84%	8.22%	8.22%
NGXCNSMRGDS	2.04%	-2.26%	-2.26%
NGXOILGAS	3.53%	13.78%	13.78%
NGXINS	-3.12%	-5.76%	-5.76%
NGXINDUSTR	-5.12%	2.90%	2.90%
NGX-ASI	0.54%	8.17%	8.17%

Market Outliers



Weekly Trading Activity



Weekly Currency Watch

	This Week	Previous Week	%Δ
I & E (per USD)	416.33	416.00	-0.08%

Bond Yields

	This Week	Previous Week	%Δ
1YR	8.70%	9.19%	-0.49%
3YR	8.61%	8.75%	-0.14%
5YR	11.21%	11.70%	-0.49%
7YR	12.10%	12.07%	0.03%
10YR	12.90%	12.86%	0.04%
30YR	13.21%	12.84%	0.37%

Money Market Rates

	This Week	Previous
OBB	0.50%	14.00%
OVN	1.00%	14.75%
Average	0.75%	14.38%

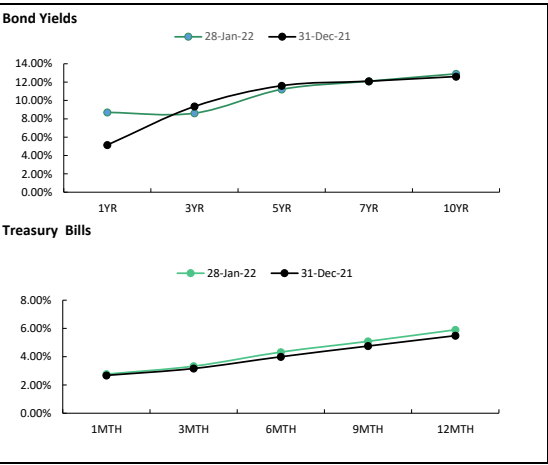
Treasury Bills Yields

	This Week	Previous
1MTH	2.77%	2.85%
3MTH	3.33%	3.42%
6MTH	4.33%	4.30%
9MTH	5.09%	5.13%
12MTH	5.90%	5.95%
Average	4.28%	4.33%

In Other Markets

	Nigeria	Ghana	Egypt	Kenya	South Africa	Frontier	Emerging	Developed
Today	0.43%	0.09%	-0.37%	-0.20%	-0.33%	-0.31%	-1.60%	-1.39%
WtD	0.54%	-0.56%	0.00%	-2.82%	-2.10%	-1.12%	-4.20%	-3.54%
YtD	8.17%	-0.69%	-3.76%	-3.87%	-0.61%	-0.57%	-3.24%	-5.67%
P/E	10.19x	5.34x	8.73x	10.82x	12.28x	15.66x	13.49x	16.33x

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