

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2009

ASE Daily Market Brief

ASE shares price index recorded yet another decline today, ending the month with another disappointing session as the selling pressure continued to affect most shares in the market, however the index was supported by some heavy weights which recorded minor gains compared to yesterday, thus causing the index to only record a 0.57% decline compared to yesterday closing at 2736.50 points, while recording a 1.50% increase during April.

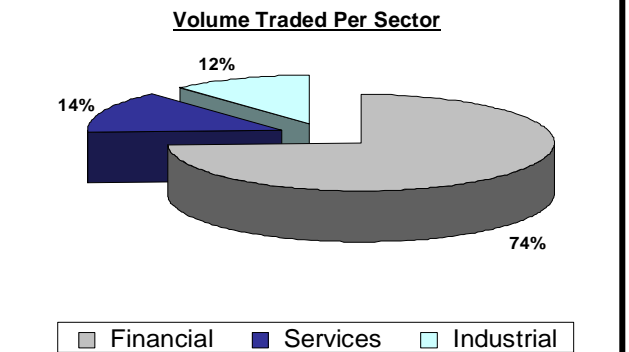
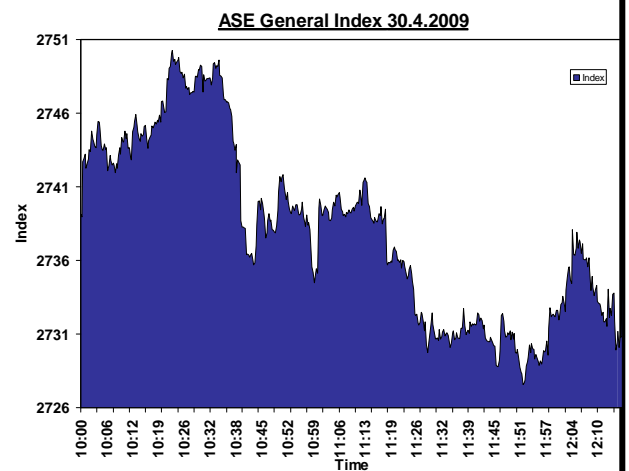
Among the blue-chips, *Arab Bank (ARBK)* shares declined today, nevertheless remaining above the JD 12.00 mark, hitting a low of JD 12.20 before closing at JD 12.36, down 1.12% compared to yesterday.

Shares of *Jordan Electric Power Co. (JOEP)* also witnessed some profit-taking activities, which led them to lose 3.73% compared to yesterday closing at JD 3.35, after their general assembly meeting yesterday, where shareholders were entitled to cash dividends equivalent to 10% of the shares' par value.

On another note, shares of *Al-Dulayl Industrial Park (IDMC)* continued to witness large selling pressure, especially after hitting a high of JD 1.20 during the beginning of the session before profit-taking activities took over, causing IDMC shares to end the session at their lower limit of JD 1.12. Moreover, shares of *Beit Al-Mal Savings & Investment Co. for Housing (BAMB)* continued to witness widespread profit-taking activities after recording substantial gains over the past few weeks, where BAMB shares closed at their lower limit for the second consecutive session, falling below the JD 1.00 mark to close at JD 0.95

On the other hand, shares of *International Brokerage & Financial Markets Co. (IBFM)* continued their powerful performance amid large trading volume, boosted by large demand, especially during the pre-closing session, where IBFM shares closed at JD 1.69, a 2.42% increase compared to yesterday. Moreover, shares of *Baton for Blocks & Interlocking Tiles (BLOK)* resumed their positive performance after some profit-taking activities over the past few sessions, where BLOK shares witnessed increased demand today leading them to end the session at their upper limit of JD 1.10. Meanwhile, shares of *Royal Jordanian Airlines (RJAL)* continued their upward trend, to surpass the JD 2.00 mark for the first time since mid-January, touching upon their upper limit of JD 2.05 before closing at JD 2.04, up 4.08% increase compared to yesterday.

Trading volume reached JD 41.8 million, a 30.56% decline compared to yesterday and block trades executed after the session accounted for 1.24% of total trading volume with a deal executed on 350,000 shares of *United Arab Investors Co. (UAIC)* worth JD 518,000.



Top Gainers	Closing Price	Change
JOHT	7.35	▲5.00%
ICMI	1.93	▲4.89%
BLOK	1.10	▲4.76%
Top Losers	Closing Price	Change
BAMB	0.95	▼5.00%
SIJC	3.23	▼5.00%
JMIL	4.40	▼4.96%
Most Active	Trading Volume	% of Market
IBFM	5.419 Million	12.96%
UAIC	3.249 Million	7.77%
SPIC	2.694 Million	6.44%
Sector Indices		
Financial	3572	▼0.64%
Services	2029	▼1.09%
Industrial	2672	▲0.44%