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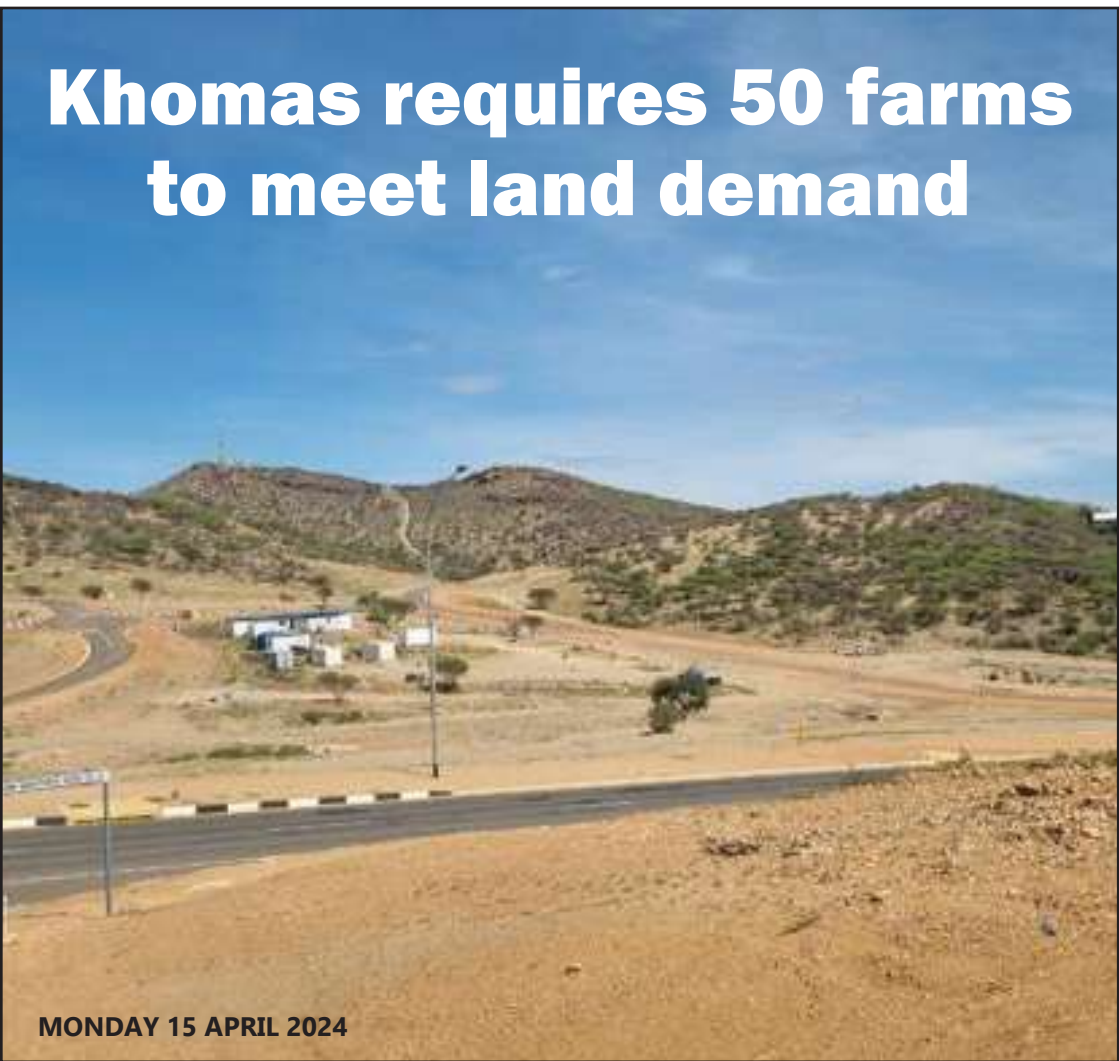
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Khomas requires 50 farms to meet land demand

Khomas Regional Governor Laura Mcleod-Katjirua says five farms need to be acquired annually within the national budget to reach a total of 50 farms to alleviate the strain on land demand in the region.

The Governor noted that the region faces a severe shortage of expansion land due to rapid population growth and urban migration.

This comes as only 14 farms have been acquired since independence attributed to the Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform struggling to meet the increasing demand for land allocation.

“Since independence, the Ministry has acquired only 18 farms of which four farms are transferred from the Ministry of Agriculture to the Ministry of Land. This number is insignificant to the population expansion of the Khomas Region meaning the Ministry has purchased only 14 farms according to the Commercial Land Reform Act since independence,” Mcleod-Katjirua said.

She said the Khomas Region, which lacks a communal area, holds the country's largest population of 494,605, driven by migration to urban areas for social and economic opportunities.

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Crucial Dates

- Bank of Namibia Monetary Policy announcement date:
17 April 2024
19 June 2024
14 August 2024
23 October 2024
4 December 2024
- Chamber of Mines of Namibia 45th Annual General Meeting (AGM), Wednesday, 24th April, 2024 at 14.30
Arebbusch Travel Lodge, Windhoek
- AviaDev Aviation Development Summit
19-21 June 2024 at Movenpick, Windhoek
- Africa Hospitality Investment Forum (Ahif).
25-27 June 2024
Mövenpick Hotel, Windhoek, Namibia
- Global African Hydrogen Summit (GAh2S)
Windhoek, Namibia from 03 – 05 September 2024

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(boundaries of the city), the overcrowded limited grazing areas of Satanslaught, Mix settlement, Baumgartsbrunn and the daily dumped generational farm workers in the various corridors of our vast Khomas region,” she said.

The Minister of Agriculture, Water, and Land Reform, Carl Schlettwein, addressed ongoing challenges in land reform efforts, emphasising financial constraints and issues with existing support schemes.

“It’s tough. With more people to resettle, limited funds, and high farm prices, effective land reform becomes increasingly difficult,” the Minister noted.

Schlettwein also pointed out shortcomings in the affirmative action loan scheme, highlighting how many farmers struggled to repay loans due to financial pressures.

Despite efforts to review and improve the scheme, the Minister expressed concerns over funding limitations and lack of influence over relevant institutions.

During the year under review, the

Ministry acquired a total number of 12 farms measuring 58,868.9615 hectares for N\$101 million, which was allocated to 23 beneficiaries.

Furthermore, the Ministry acquired four farms measuring 19,137.5938 hectares for N\$18 million for the Neckartal Dam Irrigation Project.

The Minister highlighted the significant population growth in Namibia, which has surged to about 3.03 million, more than doubling since independence in 1990.

He said this rapid increase, with a growth rate of approximately 27%, poses considerable pressure on resources within the Ministry’s jurisdiction.

“The population growth puts pressure on all the resources under the jurisdiction of our Ministry, and we must ready ourselves to embrace this pressure. Going in the future will be more difficult, not easier, since the resources, whether land for agriculture or water, have not grown,” the Minister cautioned.



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Sanlam Namibia boasts N\$4.6bn in assets, eyes oil and gas business

Sanlam Namibia says its assets increased by N\$500 million to N\$4.6 billion in 2023 from the N\$4.1 billion reported in 2022.

The insurance company said it forecasts to pay out nearly N\$22 billion in policy liabilities over the next few years.

Sanlam Namibia CEO, Tertius Stears, said the company has been performing well with its capital being 11.3 times more than the legal minimum requirement.

“And at this point in time, as you can see, the minimum term is one time more than the capital and we are up 11 times, 12 times over the last few years, showing that we can really take on further liabilities,” he said on Monday.

Stears further explained that the insurance giant also paid out nearly N\$120 million for funeral claims alone, over N\$100 million for other types of claims (like life insurance payouts), and more than N\$12 million in cashbacks to clients who hadn’t made any claims in a while in 2023.

“But we currently pay out 97% of our funeral claims and 81% of savings claims within seven hours. And to prove to clients that in this very dire time or time of need, we are then trying to turn your claims around as quickly as possible,” he said.

The Sanlam CEO said the company had granted





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A Clarification Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 03 April 2024, @ 10h00 at the Windhoek Service Centre.

Closing date extended from: 08 April 2024 to Wednesday, 17 April 2024

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scholarships exceeding N\$5 million to over 60 students as well as internship programmes that attract over 1,000 applications annually and support for entrepreneurs to the tune of N\$7.5 million.

“And what’s wonderful about the interns, many of them

have become full -time employees. Then also on the health side, I think cancer is probably one of our big projects and it’s one of our big challenges out there in the community and we’ve become very accustomed to that,” Stears said.

He also announced that the company is set to re-open its branch at Lüderitz in anticipation for the new customer base that will need servicing due to the recent oil and gas activity in the southern town.

“I think if you work in a country like Namibia, you only realise how vast and how far we have to travel sometimes to see our colleagues and most importantly our clients. We will be reopening our branch in Lüderitz not only in anticipation of the oil and gas that is literally going to pump out of the sea but also in anticipation of a lot of clients that will be there” he said.

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Rundu Abattoir granted export certification and approval to sell South of the redline

Meat and meat products from Rundu Abattoir will now be traded south of the redline and exported to international markets, following certification by the Directorate of Veterinary Services,

which upgraded the abattoir to Class A status. The announcement was made by the Livestock and Livestock Products Board (LLPB), which said that trading will occur under the strict supervision of the Directorate

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“LLPB has approved the registration of Rundu Abattoir, managed by Meatco, as an A-class export abattoir after it received export status registration from the Directorate of Veterinary Services. This certification is only awarded after implementing strict animal health and food hygiene processes. As a result of this certification, meat and meat products from Rundu Abattoir can be exported to countries outside Namibia and to areas south of the veterinary cordon fence, under strict supervision of the Directorate of Veterinary Services. The Livestock Products Board hopes that this certification will lead to increased prices for livestock producers in the affected area,” said LLPB.

Additionally, LLPB announced a compulsory brand of an “N” on livestock intended for export to South Africa after the Director of Animal Health in South Africa

notified the Namibian livestock industry in March about the livestock improvement legislation (Act 62 of 1998) that must be followed for importing livestock into South Africa.

“This requirement is specific to South Africa and states that a permit issued by the Registrar of Livestock Improvement in South Africa is necessary, along with a veterinary import permit from South Africa, to export livestock to South Africa. This new requirement will be effective from 1 April 2024 and also mandates that livestock must be marked with the Namibian ‘N-character’ at the time of export. Importers must obtain a permit from the Livestock Improvement Office in South Africa before applying for an RSA Veterinary import permit, as per a letter dated 5 April 2024,” LLPB said.

Namibia exports beef to Norway, China, Botswana, South Africa, Ghana, and Angola.



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FOR ENTRIES

The Sustainable Development Advisory Council (SDAC), in cooperation with the Environmental Investment Fund of Namibia (EIF), will host the fourth edition of the Sustainable Development Awards on 19 June 2024.

Hurry! The deadline for entries is **Friday, 19 April 2024 at 13:00.**

Find the application form on www.sustainable-development-awards.eif.org.na/form

TransNamib appoints new CEO

Desmond Ernst Van Jaarsveld has been appointed as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of TransNamib, effective from 17 April 2024.

He replaces Johnny Smith, who resigned from the rail company in February last year to join Grindrod Rail.

Van Jaarsveld, who has over 30 years of professional experience in various industries, including over 25 years at senior executive leadership levels within the transportation, logistics, and distribution sectors within the Southern Africa region, is the former Managing Director of DP World.

Van Jaarsveld holds a Master of Science and Bachelor of Science (Honours) degrees from the University of Stellenbosch. He has completed a Management Development Programme with the University of Stellenbosch Graduate Business School, among other various management and coaching certificates.

“Desmond Van Jaarsveld is an excellent addition to TransNamib, and on behalf of the board of directors, I extend my congratulations to him for taking on this important role. TransNamib and rail infrastructure play a critical role in positioning Namibia as a logistics leader in the region, and we are confident that Mr. Van Jaarsveld will lead TransNamib towards sustainable growth,” TransNamib Chairman Theo Mberirua said.

“He has proven his fit for the role for the current time and current challenges



that TransNamib faces. He comes with an impressive history of success leading major national and international companies in demanding times. I am confident that his leadership of TransNamib will further strengthen our industry and benefit the company.”

Mberirua also expressed gratitude to interim CEO Webster Gonzo, who has served in the role since last year.

“I would like to extend our gratitude to Mr. Webster Gonzo for his tremendous work with the Board to ensure the continuity of TransNamib’s operations during this period. His efforts have been invaluable, and they have positioned our new CEO to lead an organization that is well-prepared to represent the interests of our shareholders and the Namibian nation,” he said.



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Namibia faces shortage of Labour Inspectors



The Ministry of Labour, Industrial Relations and Employment Creation has only 68 Labour Inspectors in place, out of a budgeted 163 positions that need to be filled.

“The structure caters for 163 Labour Inspectors combined to conduct inspections concerning both Basic Conditions of employment and Occupational Safety and Health. However, only 68 positions are filled, leaving 95 positions vacant. Out of these, 62 positions are not funded due to limited budgetary provisions, and 33 positions are in the process of being filled as a result of labour turnover,” Labour Minister Uutoni Nujoma said.

He said due to these limitations, Labour Inspectors could only conduct a total of 2,250 workplace inspections countrywide. Of these, 1,544 labour inspections were to verify compliance with basic conditions of employment, and 706 inspections were to verify compliance with occupational

health and safety standards as well as the safety of dangerous machinery.

This has resulted in the Ministry recovering only N\$1.8 million on behalf of complainants from non-compliant employers.

“A further challenge hampering the delivery of services is the limited, aged, and worn-out fleet. This can leave Labour Inspectors, Arbitrators, and Employment Officers utilising one vehicle for the whole regional office, while some regional offices remain without any vehicle to enable these staff members to carry out this important national mandate,” the minister said.

In addition to inspections, the Minister also said the Ministry’s Arbitrators handled a total of 5,612 labour cases in 2023.

Through conciliation and arbitration processes, 2,818 disputes were successfully resolved, with the remaining 2,794 on track for finalisation.

Bank Windhoek appoints Shikage as Strategic Communication Specialist

Bank Windhoek has appointed Wetumwene Shikage as the Bank's Strategic Communication Specialist in the Marketing and Corporate Communication Services (MCCS) department, effective Friday, 1 March 2024.

In her new role, Shikage will support the Strategic Communication Manager in collating and writing content for internal and external communication.

“She will use internal tools and channels to maximize Bank Windhoek’s internal communication effectiveness and ensure consistent messaging, imagery, and identity. She will achieve this approach by working closely with stakeholders to execute Bank Windhoek’s internal communication efforts,” said Bank Windhoek’s Executive Officer of Marketing and Corporate Communication Services, Jacqueline Pack.

Pack added that Shikage's key role is to ensure that communication messaging is of a high standard, accurate, engaging, and aligned with the Bank's strategy.

“Her skillset also includes project management, copywriting, stakeholder engagement, event planning, and public relations. She has worked with corporate and youth brands on projects that aim to assist Namibian youth in determining and defining their career choices and interests,” said Pack.



Shikage who is in her final year at the Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST), working toward a Bachelor's Degree in English and Linguistics, has over five years of experience compiling print and digital media content for the media industry.

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Govt needs N\$60m for Oshakati Cancer Treatment Centre

The Ministry of Health and Social Services (MoHSS) says it needs N\$60 million to construct a specialised bunker to house the necessary nuclear technology equipment to establish a fully functional cancer treatment centre at Oshakati.

According to MoHSS Minister Kalumbi Shangula, the only existing radiotherapy centre is in Windhoek. This poses a challenge for patients who must travel long distances to receive treatment. “We do have the equipment, but it needs to be housed in what we call a bunker. This is a significant expense, in the region of N\$60 million,” he explained. Shangula also expressed concern over the increasing number of cancer cases in Namibia. He emphasised the importance of making cancer treatment

technology more accessible to Namibians.

“The number of cancer cases in Namibia is on the rise, and it’s a significant concern for the Ministry. Therefore, we are doing everything possible to ensure that our people can access the technology that is already available globally,” he said.

Shangula further explained that Namibia has been utilising nuclear technology for diagnosing and staging cancer. This is crucial as it helps determine the best course of treatment for each patient. He added that nuclear technology is also used in agriculture for tasks such as checking groundwater and disinfecting food.

“There is a wide application of nuclear technology both in the health sector and in other areas of socio-economic development in Namibia,” he said.

This announcement comes as Namibia could potentially become a hub for nuclear energy production. Companies such as Rosatom Central and Headspring Investments are considering constructing nuclear plants in Namibia.

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By Robert Smith

Charting the course: Key trends shaping organizational strategies in 2024

In the dynamic landscape of modern business, change management remains a steadfast pillar guiding organisations through tumultuous shifts and transformative endeavours. As we reflect on the strides made in the past year, marked by unprecedented global challenges and accelerated digital transformations, it becomes increasingly apparent that the winds of change continue to blow with unrelenting force.

Looking ahead to 2024, businesses are poised to embark on a journey that demands not just adaptation but proactive anticipation of evolving trends. From integrating advanced technologies to prioritising employee well-being amidst organisational flux, the realm of change management stands at the precipice of a new era, where agility, empathy, and innovation intertwine to sculpt the future of organisational resilience and success.

As we embark on this journey through the shifting tides of change management in 2024, it's crucial to acknowledge the pivotal role of staying attuned to emerging trends. With businesses and organisations rapidly evolving in response to myriad influencing factors, the imperative to anticipate and adapt to change has never

been more pressing. This year presents a unique opportunity to delve into the factors shaping the world of change management and explore the strategies, technologies, and approaches that will guide organisations through the turbulence of transformation. Through a series of several articles, we will delve into the top trends of 2024 and uncover the insights that will equip change management practitioners, business leaders, and enthusiasts with the tools they need to navigate the ever-evolving landscape effectively.

1. Organisational Agility and Redefining Work Structures:

The rise of remote and hybrid work models has fundamentally transformed how organisations operate, prompting a re-evaluation of traditional work structures and methodologies. In response to this shift, organisations are increasingly embracing organisational agility and redefining their work structures to adapt to the changing landscape.

One key aspect of this trend is the move towards collaborative networks of self-managing teams. Rather than relying on rigid hierarchical structures, organisations are flattening their hierarchies and

organisational success. This paradigm shift underscores the growing awareness among employers that the mental and emotional health of their workforce directly impacts overall performance and effectiveness.

At the forefront of navigating this shift are mid-level managers who play a pivotal role in balancing empathetic leadership with meeting increased business objectives. These managers are tasked with fostering a supportive and inclusive work environment while simultaneously driving performance and achieving organisational goals.

This requires a delicate balancing act that highlights the importance of emotional intelligence and empathetic digital management.

Empathetic leadership involves understanding and addressing the needs, concerns, and emotions of employees, demonstrating genuine care and concern for their well-being.

Mid-level managers must cultivate empathy in their interactions with team members, actively listening to their concerns, providing support and encouragement, and fostering a sense of belonging and psychological safety within the team.


Moreover, as business objectives become increasingly demanding, mid-level managers must navigate the

delicate balance between empathetic leadership and meeting performance targets.

This requires the ability to effectively prioritise tasks, delegate responsibilities, and provide constructive feedback, all while maintaining a supportive and empathetic demeanour.

In the digital age, where remote work and digital communication are prevalent, empathetic digital management becomes especially crucial. Mid-level managers must leverage technology to facilitate meaningful connections and foster a sense of community among team members, despite physical distance.

This may involve utilising video conferencing platforms for face-to-face interactions, implementing virtual team-building activities, and providing additional support and resources for employees struggling with



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remote work challenges.

Ultimately, by prioritising employee well-being and embracing empathetic leadership, mid-

level managers can create a positive and supportive work environment that fosters engagement, resilience, and organisational success.

Through their efforts, organisations can nurture a culture of empathy, compassion, and collaboration, driving performance and innovation in today’s dynamic and ever-changing workplace landscape

In the upcoming articles of this series, we will delve deeper into the remaining organizational trends of 2024, focusing on the Demographic Shifts in the Workforce, Adoption of Emerging Technologies and AI, as well as Sustainability and Compliance.

By exploring these crucial aspects, we aim to provide a comprehensive understanding of the evolving landscape of organizational strategies in 2024 and equip readers with valuable insights to navigate the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead. Stay tuned for more insights and analysis in the subsequent articles.

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Bringing stories closer to home: MultiChoice Namibia’s renewed commitment to local entertainment

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From the premium experience of DStv to the accessibility of GOTv and the on-demand delights of Showmax, MultiChoice Namibia (MCN) has crafted a holistic ecosystem to cater to its customers diverse entertainment tastes and needs.

MCN emphasised on these points and its commitment to local content at its Table Talk event hosted in Windhoek on Wednesday, 10 April 2024 under the theme ‘Content All Around You’.

“The team has outdone itself this year, taking our value offer to new heights, using the latest technology to enhance accessibility, boosting the number of platforms we offer as we develop our hyperlocal strategy of authentic African content for Namibian audiences,” remarked MultiChoice Namibia Managing Director, Roger Gertze.

“Our customers are at the heart of our business, and everything we do is about delivering enhanced experiences for them, and content that entertains, informs, inspires, and reflects their hopes, dreams and aspirations,” Gertze added.

As the biggest funder of local content in Namibia, MCN Board Chairperson, Mona-Lisa Jakobs touched on Ombura, the second phase of the MultiChoice Namibia local content project which will this year produce 6 films, 1 documentary and 1 lifestyle series which will be released on the DStv, GOTv and Showmax platforms later this year.

Jakobs also highlighted upcoming and exciting new content from kykNET, Mzansi Magic, M-Net, sports, and shared a refresher of the anti-piracy conversation that MCN is currently championing.

From the roar of the crowd to the thrill of victory, DStv puts customers right in the heart of the sporting spectacle, while GOTv democratising access to premium sports content, making it accessible to all.

And when it’s time to unwind and indulge in some on-demand entertainment, DStv Stream, GOTv Stream and Showmax Add to Bill are go-to destinations where local content is king. This includes local sports on NTV, educational content through One Africa Television, the latest updates on NBC and so much more.

“Bringing Namibia the best TV in the world, at the best prices to creating innovative, digital, self-service products that save you time and money, MultiChoice Namibia strives to create products and services that are convenient for customers” added Jakobs.

MultiChoice is more than just a provider of leading Namibian pay-TV entertainment experiences, it is a trusted companion on a journey of discovery and delight. MultiChoice Africa – where every experience is crafted with care and designed to elevate your entertainment to new heights.

PNWA donates over 10,000 pairs of shoes since 2022

Project Never Walk Alone (PNWA) says since inception in 2022 donated 10,169 shoes to disadvantaged schools in eight regions.

This comes as the project kicked off its 2024 shoe donation drive by delivering 169 pairs to the Monica Geingos Junior Secondary School in Otjiwarongo. The shoes were sponsored by the former First Lady as well.

“Students were treated to a live performance by Twazis and walked away with new shoes, boosting their confidence. The PNWA team is now set to travel to Mariental on the 18th of April to distribute more shoes.” a release by the non-profit read.

The release also said the project’s next stop will be in the Zambezi where they plan to donate over 1,800 pairs.

Beverley Naris, Manager of Logistics & Events at PNWA, expressed her gratitude to all the project’s partners for their generous contributions.



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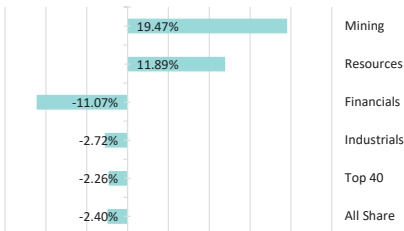
Commodities

Spot Gold	2350.48
Platinum	971.00
Palladium	1034.44
Silver	28.48
Uranium	88.75
Brent Crude	89.60
Iron Ore	107.48
Copper	9334.96
Natural Gas	1.72
Lithium	14.95

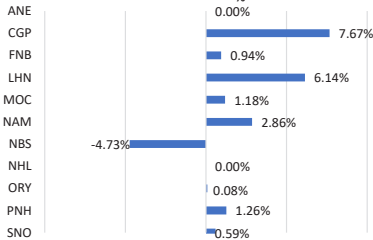
Currencies

USD/ZAR	18.9957
EUR/ZAR	20.2068
GBP/ZAR	23.6983
USD/CNY	7.2387
EUR/USD	1.0640
GBP/USD	1.2476
USD/RUB	93.5593
CPI	4.46%
Repo Rate	7.75%
Prime Rate	11.50%

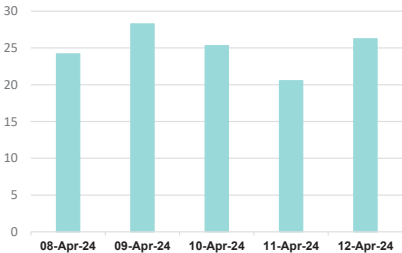
JSE Indices: Year to date movement %



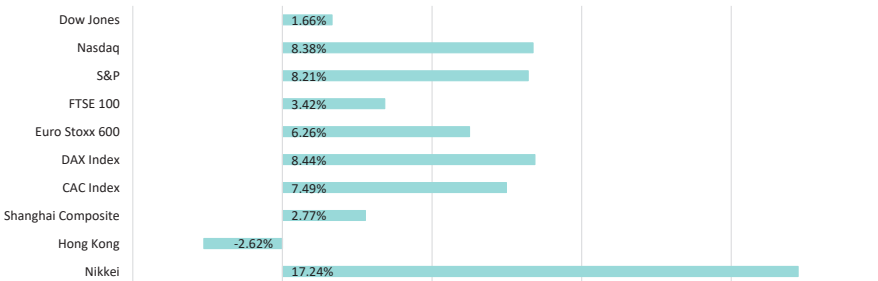
NSX Local Stocks: Year to date price movement %



JSE ALL SHARE VALUE TRADED (ZAR BILLIONS)



Global Indices: Year to date movement %



*Prices as at 15:49, 15-Apr-2024