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Local Bourse Edges Higher in New Month: NGX-ASI Climbs by 0.21%

Key Market Indicators	Units	Today	Previous Day	% Change
The All -Share Index	Basis Points	201,703.55	201,287.78	↑ 0.21%
Total Market Cap.	₦ Trillion	129.81	129.21	↑ 0.46%
Total Volume Traded	Million	815.48	855.41	↓ -4.67%
Total Value Traded	₦ Million	33,289.72	27,032.29	↑ 23.15%
Deals		52,641	53,016	↓ -0.71%

The Nigerian equity market opened the month in positive territory, as key performance indicators showed mixed outcomes. The NGX-ASI increased by 0.21%, while the Market Capitalization gained 0.46%. The mixed performances of these indicators can be attributed to the additional listing of 5,067,396,400 ordinary shares of 50 Kobo each of VFD Group, as well as listing of 23,182,887,000 Ordinary Shares of 50 Kobo each arising from FCMB Group Plc's Public Offer of 16,000,000,000 Ordinary Shares of 50 Kobo each at ₦10.00 per Share. Specifically, the market index (All-Share Index) added 415.77 basis points in today's trading session, reflecting a 0.21% increase to close at 201,703.55. Likewise, Market Capitalization gained ₦599.41 billion, representing a growth of 0.46%, settling at ₦129.81 trillion. The positive performance was triggered by sustained bargain hunting in selective medium and blue-chip stocks across key market sectors, as investors continue to position for dividend payouts.

However, the Total Volume of trades declined by -4.67% while the Total Value traded, on the other hand, increased by +23.15%. Approximately 815.48 million units valued at ₦33,289.72 million were transacted across 52,641 deals. As regards volume, WEMABANK generated 9.56% to emerge the most traded, followed by GTCO (9.06%), ACCESSCORP (7.73%), FIRSHOLDCO (7.31%), and ZENITHBANK with 6.11%. On value traded, GTCO generated 26.97% of the total value of trade, thereby making it the highest traded on the exchange.

Meanwhile, on the best performers' chart, INTENEGINS led by generating +9.91%, then trailed by RTBRISCOE (+8.81%), MBENEFIT (+7.58%), ZENITHBANK (+7.52%), GTCO (+7.37%), CILEASING (+6.92%), and fifteen others. A total of forty-one (41) stocks depreciated. With a price depreciation of -10.00% each, OMATEK and NESTLE topped the worst performers' chart, followed by FTNCOCOA (-9.97%), CHAMS (-9.79%), MAYBAKER (-9.74%), TIP (-9.52%), and SOVRENINS (-9.22%). Hence, the market breadth closed on a negative note as there were 21 gainers and 41 losers.

Finally, the market sectoral performance was positive today as three of the five major market sectors appreciated. The Banking sector increased by +3.21%, followed by the Insurance sector (+0.23%), and the Industrial goods sector (+0.01%). The Consumer goods sector and the Oil & Gas sector declined by -1.56% and -0.05% respectively.

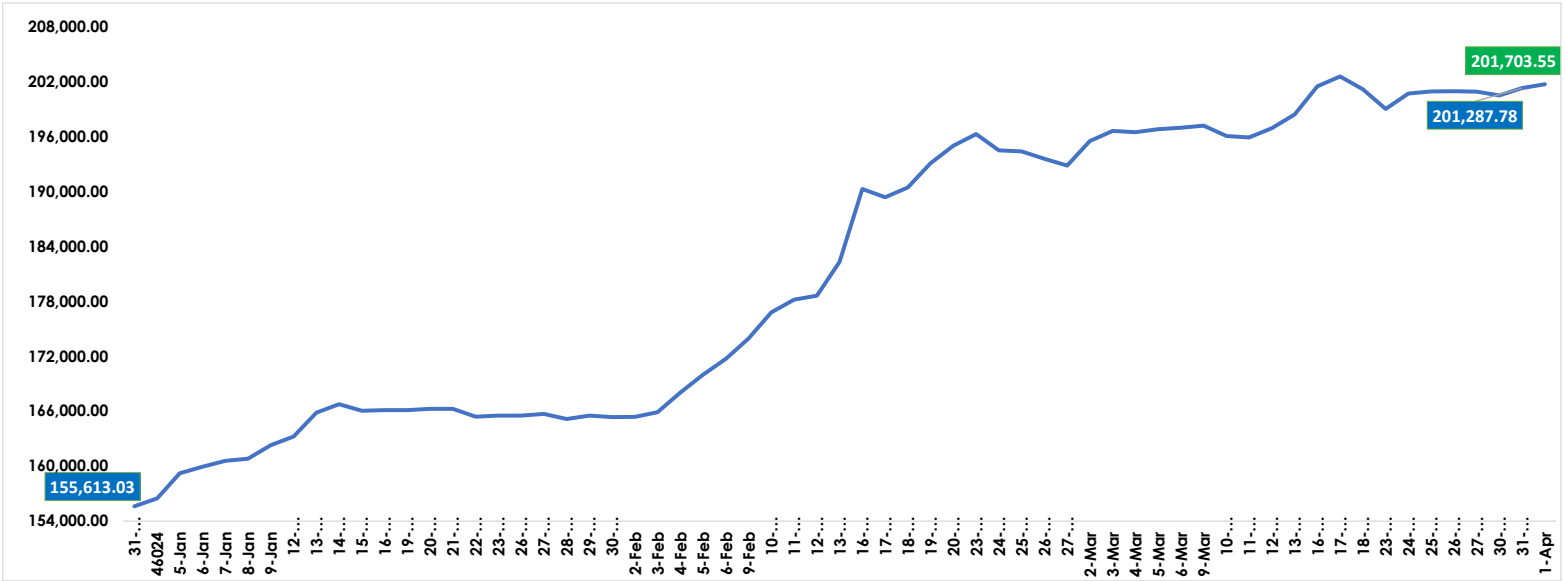
Best 10 Performers	OPEN (₦)	Close (₦)	%Change
INTENEGINS	3.23	3.55	9.91%
RTBRISCOE	9.65	10.50	8.81%
MBENEFIT	4.09	4.40	7.58%
ZENITHBANK	95.80	103.00	7.52%
GTCO	112.65	120.95	7.37%
CILEASING	6.50	6.95	6.92%
CAVERTON	6.00	6.40	6.67%
STERLINGNG	7.50	8.00	6.67%
MANSARD	15.21	16.00	5.19%
AFRIPRUD	13.60	14.00	2.94%

Worst 10 Performers	OPEN (₦)	Close (₦)	%Change
OMATEK	2.20	1.98	-10.00%
NESTLE	3395.00	3055.50	-10.00%
FTNCOCOA	5.92	5.33	-9.97%
CHAMS	4.39	3.96	-9.79%
MAYBAKER	38.00	34.30	-9.74%
TIP	21.00	19.00	-9.52%
SOVRENINS	2.17	1.97	-9.22%
ROYALEX	1.64	1.49	-9.15%
FTGINSURE	1.23	1.12	-8.94%
MCNICHOLS	7.31	6.70	-8.34%

Top 10 Traders By Volume	Sector	Volume (Units)	% of Mkt Volme
WEMABANK	Banking	77,753,377	9.56%
GTCO	Banking	73,660,224	9.06%
ACCESSCORP	Banking	62,885,424	7.73%
FIRSHOLDCO	Banking	59,431,140	7.31%
ZENITHBANK	Banking	49,728,437	6.11%
NSLTECH	Services	49,479,030	6.08%
STERLINGNG	Banking	35,054,284	4.31%
UBA	Banking	34,779,591	4.28%
MBENEFIT	Financial services	31,392,871	3.86%
VERITASKAP	Financial services	22,580,522	2.78%

Top 10 Traders By Value	Sector	Value (₦)	% of Mkt Value
GTCO	Banking	8,967,262,838.20	26.97%
ZENITHBANK	Banking	5,152,240,589.25	15.49%
FIRSHOLDCO	Banking	2,972,826,189.50	8.94%
WEMABANK	Banking	2,026,467,289.25	6.09%
ACCESSCORP	Banking	1,635,491,713.15	4.92%
UBA	Banking	1,609,756,617.90	4.84%
ARADEL	Oil & Gas	1,359,897,208.20	4.09%
MTNN	Telecom	1,142,133,673.40	3.43%
NESTLE	Consumer goods	624,932,251.90	1.88%
PZ	Consumer goods	492,033,225.95	1.48%

NGX-ASI Performance (YTD)



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Market Performance History		Sector Indices		A-Day Change	YTD % Change
A-Day Change	↑ 0.21%	NGX-30	↑	0.25% ↑	29.10%
Week-on-Week	↑ 0.39%	Banking	↑	3.21% ↑	26.70%
Month-to-Date	↑ 4.60%	Consumer Goods	↓	-1.56% ↑	7.96%
Quarter-to-Date	↑ 29.62%	Industrial Goods	↑	0.01% ↑	54.61%
Year-to-Date	↑ 29.62%	Insurance	↑	0.23% ↑	3.78%
52-Weeks High	202,559.57	Oil & Gas	↓	-0.05% ↑	64.14%
52-Weeks Low	103,851.88				

Economic Indicators	Today	Previous Day	A-Day Change	YTD % Change	NTB True Yield	Closed	A-day Change
Exchange Rate - I&E (₺/\$)	1386.72	1383.58	↑	0.23% ↑	4.08%	1-Month	0.00% ↓ -16.12%
Exchange Rate - Parallel (₺/\$)	1410.00	1410.00	→	0.00% ↑	4.41%	3-Month	0.00% ↓ -16.45%
Monetary Policy Rate (MPR)	26.50%	26.50%	→	0.00% ↓	-0.50%	6-Month	0.00% ↓ -17.40%
Crude Oil Price (\$/Barrel)	100.86	107.49	↓	-6.17% ↑	63.68%	9-Month	0.00% ↓ -18.63%
Foreign Reserve (\$'bn)	49.30	49.44	↓	-0.29% ↑	8.34%	12-Month	0.00% ↓ -19.09%
Inflation Rate	15.06%	15.06%	→	0.00% ↑	0.61%		

Note : -Crude oil (Brent) and Foreign Exchange price represents spot price as at the time this report was prepared
 -Foreign reserves figures have two-day lag
 -Inflation figure as at February 2026
 -NTB True Yield have a day's lag

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