

Monday, April 20, 2026

Equity Market Commences New Week in Green as NGX-ASI Gains 0.39%

Key Market Indicators	Units	Today	Previous Day	% Change
The All -Share Index	Basis Points	218,015.78	217,167.57	↑ 0.39%
Total Market Cap.	₦Trillion	140.37	139.83	↑ 0.39%
Total Volume Traded	Million	959.29	1,258.15	↓ -23.75%
Total Value Traded	₦Million	48,413.65	54,353.49	↓ -10.93%
Deals		75,297	56,923	↑ 32.28%

The Nigerian equity market opened the new week in positive territory, as key market performance indicators (the NGX-ASI and Market Capitalization) both appreciated by 0.39%. The market sustained the upward momentum from the previous week, driven by continued buying interest and bargain hunting in mid-cap and blue-chip stocks across all key market sectors, with the most contribution from the Banking sector. Notable gainers were ACCESSCORP, UBA, FIRSTHOLDCO, ARADEL, WAPCO, among others. Consequently, the market index (All-Share Index) added 848.21 basis points in today's trading session, reflecting a 0.39% increase to close at 218,015.78. Likewise, Market Capitalization gained ₦546.12 billion, representing a growth of 0.39%, settling at ₦140.37 trillion.

However, the Total Volume of trades and the Total Value traded declined by -23.75% and -10.93% respectively. Approximately 959.29 million units valued at ₦48,413.65 million were transacted across 75,297 deals. As regards volume, ACCESSCORP generated 9.33% to emerge the most traded, followed by FIRSTHOLDCO (7.14%), ZENITHBANK (5.59%), LASACO (5.47%), and UBA with 5.35%. On value traded, ZENITHBANK generated 13.81% of the total value of trade, thereby making it the highest traded on the exchange.

Meanwhile, on the best performers' chart, NAHCO and UNIONDICON led by generating +10.00% each, then trailed by FIDELITYBK (+9.98%), TRANSEXPR (+9.92%), ACCESSCORP (+9.87%), FCMB (+9.54%), SUNUASSUR (+8.93%), and twenty-nine others. A total of thirty-four (34) stocks depreciated. With a price depreciation of -10.00%, LIVINGTRUST and STANBIC topped the worst performers' chart, followed by TRANSPOWER (-9.97%), ABBEYBDS (-9.88%), GUINEAINS (-8.80%), SOVRENINS (-8.76%), and ACADEMY (-8.50%). Hence, the market breadth closed on a positive note, as there were 36 gainers and 34 losers.

Finally, the market sectoral performance was positive today as all five major market sectors increased. The Banking sector appreciated by +2.56%, followed by the Oil & Gas sector (+0.75%), the Consumer goods sector (+0.38%), the Industrial goods sector (0.35%), and the Insurance sector (+0.004%).

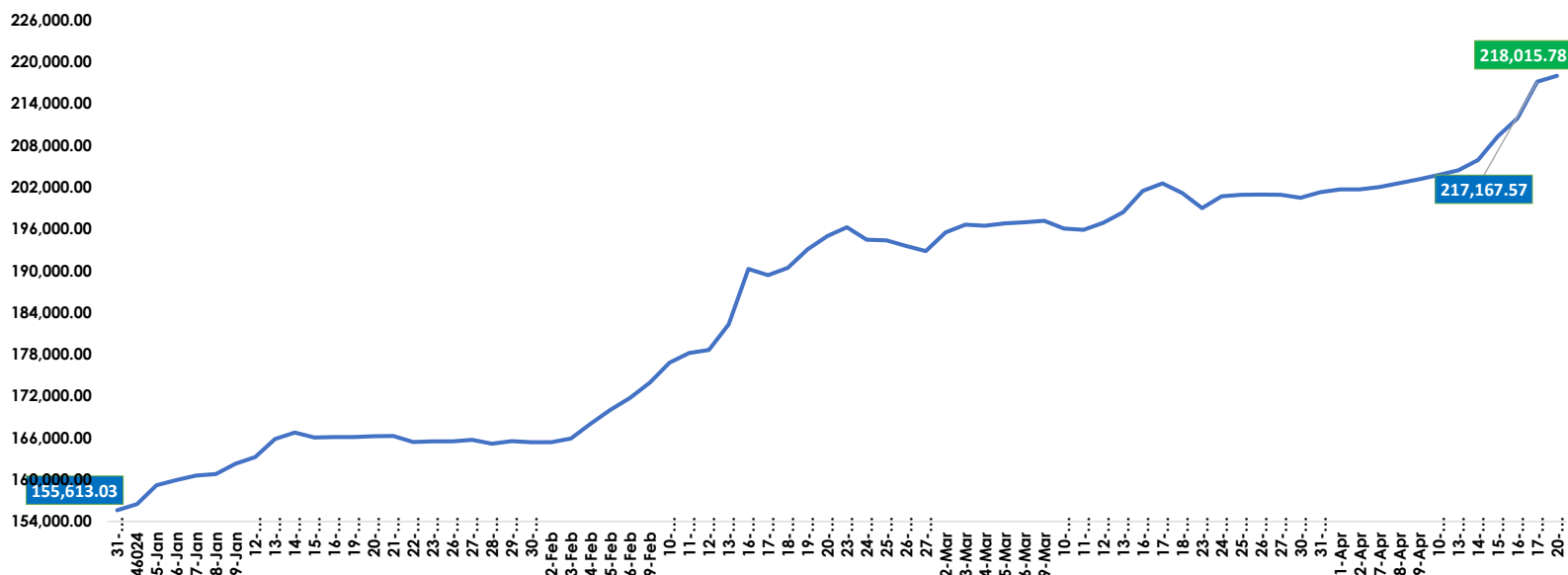
Best 10 Performers	OPEN (₦)	Close (₦)	%Change
NAHCO	220.00	242.00	10.00%
UNIONDICON	16.50	18.15	10.00%
FIDELITYBK	20.05	22.05	9.98%
TRANSEXPR	6.05	6.65	9.92%
ACCESSCORP	29.90	32.85	9.87%
FCMB	12.05	13.20	9.54%
SUNUASSUR	4.48	4.88	8.93%
STERLINGNG	7.85	8.55	8.92%
MCNICHOLS	6.90	7.50	8.70%
UBA	48.00	52.00	8.33%

Worst 10 Performers	OPEN (₦)	Close (₦)	%Change
LIVINGTRUST	4.10	3.69	-10.00%
STANBIC	188.55	169.70	-10.00%
TRANSPOWER	302.90	272.70	-9.97%
ABBEYBDS	8.10	7.30	-9.88%
GUINEAINS	1.25	1.14	-8.80%
SOVRENINS	2.17	1.98	-8.76%
ACADEMY	7.65	7.00	-8.50%
CUTIX	3.40	3.15	-7.35%
AFRIPRUD	14.00	13.00	-7.14%
TANTALIZER	3.97	3.70	-6.80%

Top 10 Traders By Volume	Sector	Volume (Units)	% of Mkt Volume
ACCESSCORP	Banking	91,647,287	9.33%
FIRSTHOLDCO	Banking	70,169,145	7.14%
ZENITHBANK	Banking	54,928,477	5.59%
LASACO	Financial services	53,756,917	5.47%
UBA	Banking	52,569,294	5.35%
STERLINGNG	Banking	50,071,250	5.10%
FCMB	Banking	49,808,969	5.07%
JAPPAULGOLD	Oil & Gas	40,593,208	4.13%
FIDELITYBK	Banking	35,776,004	3.64%
JAIZBANK	Banking	32,282,779	3.29%

Top 10 Traders By Value	Sector	Value (₦)	% of Mkt Value
ZENITHBANK	Banking	7,004,199,016.30	13.81%
ARADEL	Oil & Gas	6,696,032,011.90	13.21%
MTNN	Telecom	5,450,554,158.90	10.75%
FIRSTHOLDCO	Banking	4,778,716,139.25	9.43%
GTCO	Banking	3,646,112,393.60	7.19%
WAPCO	Industrial	3,210,453,079.90	6.33%
ACCESSCORP	Banking	2,975,596,691.40	5.87%
UBA	Banking	2,652,871,472.95	5.23%
NAHCO	Services	1,216,469,061.35	2.40%
DANGCEM	Industrial	1,074,405,524.00	2.12%

NGX-ASI Performance (YTD)



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Market Performance History			Sector Indices		A-Day Change		YTD % Change	
A-Day Change	↑	0.39%	NGX-30	↑	0.44%	↑	40.18%	
Week-on-Week	↑	6.63%	Banking	↑	2.56%	↑	52.96%	
Month-to-Date	↑	13.06%	Consumer Goods	↑	0.38%	↑	12.81%	
Quarter-to-Date	↑	40.10%	Industrial Goods	↑	0.35%	↑	58.37%	
Year-to-Date	↑	40.10%	Insurance	↑	0.00%	↑	0.50%	
52-Weeks High		218,015.78	Oil & Gas	↑	0.75%	↑	99.43%	
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 (₪/\$)	1343.64	1342.3	↑	0.10%	7.06%	16.08%	↑ 0.02%
Exchange Rate - Parallel (₪/\$)	1385.00	1390.00	↓	-0.36%	6.10%	16.28%	↑ 0.15%
Monetary Policy Rate (MPR)	26.50%	26.50%	⇒	0.00%	-0.50%	17.10%	↓ -0.03%
Crude Oil Price (\$/Barrel)	94.75	90.99	↑	4.13%	53.77%	18.23%	↑ 0.01%
Foreign Reserve (\$'Bn)	48.65	48.68	↓	-0.06%	6.91%	18.85%	↓ -0.01%
Inflation Rate	15.38%	15.38%	↓	0.00%	0.93%		

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 March 2026
- NTB True Yield have a day's lag

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