

Wednesday, April 22, 2026

NGX-ASI Advances by 0.61% as Investors Maintain Positive Sentiment

Key Market Indicators	Units	Today	Previous Day	% Change
The All -Share Index	Basis Points	219,586.20	218,249.81	↑ 0.61%
Total Market Cap.	₦Trillion	141.38	140.52	↑ 0.61%
Total Volume Traded	Million	683.68	842.48	↓ -18.85%
Total Value Traded	₦Million	36,167.35	44,862.36	↓ -19.38%
Deals		51,694	61,617	↓ -16.10%

The Nigerian equity market closed trading activities for today on a bullish note, as key market performance indicators (the NGX-ASI and Market Capitalization) both appreciated by 0.61%. With the Banking sector leading the charge, the uptick was largely driven by continued bargain hunting and buying interest in some fundamentally solid midcap and blue-chip stocks, across all major market sectors. Notable gainers included ACCESSCORP, UBA, VITAFOAM, DANGSUGAR, PZ, among others. Consequently, the market index (All-Share Index) added 1,336.39 basis points in today's trading session, reflecting a 0.61% increase to close at 219,586.20. Likewise, Market Capitalization gained ₦860.89 billion, representing a growth of 0.61%, settling at ₦141.38 trillion.

That said, market activities were down today as the Total Volume of trades and the Total Value traded declined by -18.85% and -19.38% respectively. Approximately 683.68 million units valued at ₦36,167.35 million were transacted across 51,694 deals. As regards volume, FIRSTHOLDCO generated 11.23% to emerge the most traded, followed by UBA (8.10%), ACCESSCORP (7.68%), GTCO (5.48%), and JAPAUFGOLD with 4.42%. On value traded, FIRSTHOLDCO generated 16.03% of the total value of trade, thereby making it the highest traded on the exchange.

Meanwhile, on the best performers' chart, CAP, TRANSCOHOT, and 3 others led by generating +10.00% each, then trailed by NASCON (+9.85%), SOVRENINS (+9.52%), MULTIVERSE (+8.82%), FIRSTHOLDCO (+8.45%), PZ (+8.22%), and twenty-one others. A total of twenty-eight (28) stocks depreciated. With a price depreciation of -10.00%, NEIMETH topped the worst performers' chart, followed by ABBEYBDS (-9.85%), LIVINGTRUST (-8.94%), ABCTRANS (-8.65%), HMCALL (-6.23%), and TANTALIZER (-5.71%). Hence, the market breadth closed on a positive note, as there were 31 gainers and 28 losers.

Finally, the market sectoral performance was positive today as all five major market sectors increased. The Banking sector appreciated by +2.03%, followed by the Insurance sector (+1.07%), the Consumer goods sector (+0.42%), the Industrial goods sector (0.15%), and the Oil & Gas sector (+0.02%).

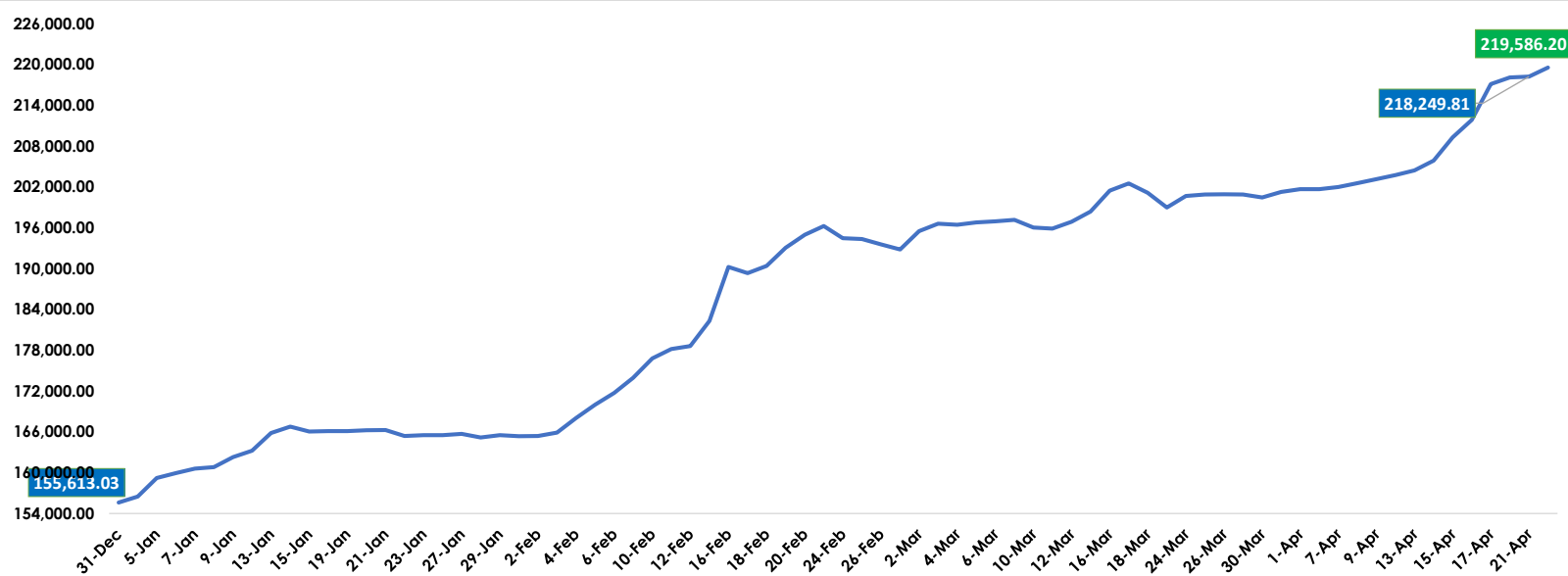
Best 10 Performers	OPEN (₦)	Close (₦)	%Change
CAP	100.00	110.00	10.00%
TRANSCOHOT	203.00	223.30	10.00%
UACN	110.00	121.00	10.00%
VITAFOAM	130.00	143.00	10.00%
TRANSEXP	7.20	7.92	10.00%
NASCON	171.60	188.50	9.85%
SOVRENINS	1.89	2.07	9.52%
MULTIVERSE	23.80	25.90	8.82%
FIRSTHOLDCO	71.00	77.00	8.45%
PZ	78.50	84.95	8.22%

Worst 10 Performers	OPEN (₦)	Close (₦)	%Change
NEIMETH	10.00	9.00	-10.00%
ABBEYBDS	6.60	5.95	-9.85%
LIVINGTRUST	3.69	3.36	-8.94%
ABCTRANS	6.24	5.70	-8.65%
HMCALL	3.85	3.61	-6.23%
TANTALIZER	3.68	3.47	-5.71%
MCNICHOLS	7.50	7.15	-4.67%
CHAMS	3.35	3.20	-4.48%
ROYALEX	1.70	1.63	-4.12%
UPL	5.20	5.00	-3.85%

Top 10 Traders By Volume	Sector	Volume (Units)	% of Mkt Volume
FIRSTHOLDCO	Banking	76,643,658	11.23%
UBA	Banking	55,258,385	8.10%
ACCESSCORP	Banking	52,429,163	7.68%
GTCO	Banking	37,385,890	5.48%
JAPAUFGOLD	Oil & Gas	30,166,627	4.42%
UCAP	Financial services	24,029,880	3.52%
AIICO	Insurance	21,089,655	3.09%
FCMB	Banking	20,795,971	3.05%
ZENITHBANK	Banking	20,552,598	3.01%
VERITASKAP	Financial services	20,181,789	2.96%

Top 10 Traders By Value	Sector	Value (₦)	% of Mkt Value
FIRSTHOLDCO	Banking	5,782,642,485.80	16.03%
GTCO	Banking	4,875,130,348.20	13.52%
UBA	Banking	2,832,762,495.15	7.85%
ZENITHBANK	Banking	2,613,775,952.70	7.25%
ARADEL	Oil & Gas	2,433,095,814.60	6.75%
MTNN	Telecom	2,280,115,013.10	6.32%
WAPCO	Industrial	1,993,548,446.80	5.53%
ACCESSCORP	Banking	1,620,516,163.50	4.49%
STANBIC	Banking	1,291,677,922.00	3.58%
NGXGROUP	Financial services	831,677,308.20	2.31%

NGX-ASI Performance (YTD)



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Market Performance History			Sector Indices		A-Day Change		YTD % Change	
A-Day Change	↑	0.61%	NGX-30	↑	0.57%	↑	41.01%	
Week-on-Week	↑	4.91%	Banking	↑	2.03%	↑	54.03%	
Month-to-Date	↑	13.88%	Consumer Goods	↑	0.42%	↑	12.87%	
Quarter-to-Date	↑	41.11%	Industrial Goods	↑	0.15%	↑	61.20%	
Year-to-Date	↑	41.11%	Insurance	↑	1.07%	↑	1.76%	
52-Weeks High		219,586.20	Oil & Gas	↑	0.02%	↑	99.29%	
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 (₪/\$)	1350.74	1349.67	↑	0.08%	6.57%	16.08%	↑ 0.02%
Exchange Rate - Parallel (₪/\$)	1380.00	1390.00	↓	-0.72%	6.44%	16.28%	↑ 0.15%
Monetary Policy Rate (MPR)	26.50%	26.50%	⇒	0.00%	-0.50%	17.10%	↓ -0.03%
Crude Oil Price (\$/Barrel)	99.22	95.09	↑	4.34%	61.02%	18.23%	↑ 0.01%
Foreign Reserve (\$'Bn)	48.54	48.62	↓	-0.16%	6.68%	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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