Qatar executes commercial charter revenue jumps 18%

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Qatar Executive’s charter revenue jumps 18% to QAR853.6m in one week in Qatar, says Ezdan report

According to the annual report, Qatar Executive, the country’s national flag-carrier for private jet travel, has seen a significant increase in its charter revenue during the recent period. The report highlights that the company has been able to secure more charters, resulting in a revenue jump of 18%.

The report also mentions that the company has been focusing on expanding its services, particularly in long-haul flights, which has contributed to the increased demand for charter flights.

Building sale deals generate QR953.6m in one week in Qatar, says Ezdan report

The property market in Qatar has seen a significant growth in the number of property sales, with a record high in sales during the recent period. The report highlights that 953.6m QR was generated in just one week, with the sale of various properties.

The report also mentions that the majority of sales were in the high-end property market, with prices ranging from QR1m to QR10m. The sales were mainly concentrated in the areas of Al Dafna, Al Rayyan, and Qatar City.

Changi airport warns of ‘daunting’ future as pandemic impact hurts

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Changi Airport Group said the impact from the Covid-19 pandemic could last up to 10 years, as passenger traffic has been severely impacted.

The company’s losses have continued to mount, with Q3 revenue down by 91% compared to the same period last year. The airport’s revenue for the period was just $1.2 billion, a drop from $12 billion in the previous quarter.

To cushion the impact, the company is looking at the option of expanding its real estate offerings, including the development of a new terminal.

Currency regime in Qatar is expected to ‘weather short-term shocks’, says EIU

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Qatar’s currency regime is expected to continue to weather the short-term shocks due to the ongoing pandemic, according to a report by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU).

The report highlights that the country’s current account surplus remains robust, with a strong external balance and a stable financial system.

EIU also notes that the country has a strong fiscal framework, with a low level of debt and a diversified economy.

Despite the economic challenges posed by the pandemic, the country’s economy is expected to remain resilient, with a strong potential for growth in the medium term.
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Walmart’s UK retreat leaves Asda with new owners, old problems

Asda, the once-mighty UK supermarket of J. Sainsbury and Walmart, is left in the lurch after Walmart’s surprise exit. Walmart’s management team, led by chief executive Andrew Clarke, said the US retail giant will sell its 49% stake in the joint venture to JD Wetherspoon, a British pub chain, and raise its capital. The deal is expected to result in a profit of $837 million for Walmart.

The deal, which comes as Walmart is facing increased competition in the UK market, is seen as a strategic move to focus on its core business in the US. The UK grocery market is highly competitive and Walmart has struggled to gain a foothold in the market.

Asda, which was created in 1999 through the merger of J. Sainsbury and Walmart, has faced difficulties in recent years due to strong competition from Aldi and Lidl. The company has been trying to improve its offer and reduce costs, but the deal with JD Wetherspoon will allow it to focus on its core business and improve its profitability.

The deal will also help Walmart to reduce its exposure to the UK market and focus on its core business in the US. Walmart has been facing increased competition from Amazon and other online retailers, and the deal will allow it to reduce its costs and improve its profitability.

The deal is expected to be completed in the next few months, and it is expected to create a new, stronger and more competitive supermarket in the UK market.

Market gets harsh reminder that Covid remains its elemental risk

The pandemic’s impact on economies is still being felt, with inflation rates rising and supply chain disruptions persisting. The market is seeing a shift from growth to value stocks, with investors looking for companies with strong fundamentals and stable earnings.

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Cyber pirates hit the shipping industry near peak season

There are two main threats to the global shipping industry: pirates and hackers. In recent weeks, both threats have been on the rise, causing significant disruptions to global trade.

The pirates have been targeting ships off the coast of Somalia, where they have been able to capture vessels and demand ransom payments. The hackers, on the other hand, have been using sophisticated methods to gain access to sensitive information and steal money from shipping companies.

A recent cyber attack on a major shipping company resulted in the loss of critical data, including plans for upcoming voyages and customer information. The company was forced to shut down its operations for several days, causing delays for clients and losses in revenue.

According to industry experts, the shipping industry is particularly vulnerable to cyber attacks because it relies heavily on digital systems to manage its operations. In addition, the industry has a long history of using paper-based systems, which can be easily exploited by hackers.

Shipping companies are taking steps to strengthen their cybersecurity measures, but the threat remains a serious concern. In the meantime, the industry continues to work on developing new strategies to protect against these threats.

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The Qatar Stock Exchange (QSE) index increased by 2.22% during the week, to close at 10,003.50. Market capitalisation increased by 2.3% to reach QR88.8bn compared to QR85.3bn at the end of the previous week. Of the 47 listed companies, 40 companies ended the week higher, while six fell and remained unchanged. Doha Brokerage and Investments Holding Co (DBI) was the worst performing stock for the week, with a gain of 22.9%. On the other hand, QIDOS (QID) was the worst performing stock with a decline of 60.5%

Qatar Islamic Bank (QIB), QNB Group (QNB) and Qatar Insurance Co (QIC) were the primary contributors to the weekly index gain. QIB was the largest contributor to the index’s weekly gain, adding 65.9 points to the index. QNB was the second largest contributor to the mentioned gains, adding 44.4 points to the index. Moreover, QIC added another 22.9 points to the overall index.

Trading volume during the week decreased by 31.7% to reach QR8.8bn versus QR41bn in the prior trading week. UDCO was the top volume traded stock during the week with total traded volume of QR540.8mn.

Weekly Market Report

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Source: Qatar Exchange (QSE)

Weekly Index Performance

![Source: Bloomberg](image)

Technical analysis of the QSE index

The QSE index gained 2.22% over the week and closed at 10,003.5. Just returned our psychological level the 10,000 points. We proposed a possible pullback on the index since it confirms the break above the rising wedge price formation. However, the index has broken the barrier but managed to stay inside the formation. The main trend remains up intact, and the only change is for a correction in which the markets manages to break below the mentioned price formation. We update our resistance levels the 10,000 points. And our support is updated towards the 9500 level.

Definitions of key terms used in technical analysis

Candlestick chart - A candlestick chart is a price chart that displays the high, low, open, and close for a security. The body of the chart is between the open and close price, while the wick, or shadow, extends from the body to the price extremes. A doji candlestick indicates a trading range, no clear trend direction. Candlestick patterns can be used in isolation or as part of a series of signals. Candlestick patterns that are used together can be more accurate in predicting price movements from the ‘shadow’. The more patterns that occur in a row, the more likely the price is to move in the direction predicted by the patterns. The candlestick pattern is a powerful tool for determining the potential direction of the market. Candlestick patterns can be used in isolation or as part of a series of signals. Candlestick patterns that are used together can be more accurate in predicting price movements from the ‘shadow’. The more patterns that occur in a row, the more likely the price is to move in the direction predicted by the patterns.
Presidents Donald Trump’s push for more fiscal stimulus has been one of the most controversial aspects of his administration, and it appears to have been very influential in shaping the market’s expectations for another round of government spending.

While the US Federal Reserve has been generally cautious in its approach to monetary policy, it is clear that the possibility of additional fiscal stimulus is a major factor in the current market climate. The anticipation of new stimulus measures is driving investor sentiment and could lead to further gains in the equity markets.

However, the sustainability of this rally remains uncertain, as the effectiveness of fiscal policy depends on how well it is implemented and how quickly it can be put in place. There is also a risk that the stimulus could lead to inflation pressures, which could ultimately hurt the US economy.

It is important for investors to remain vigilant and to monitor developments closely. While the prospects of additional stimulus are positive, it is also important to consider the potential risks and to diversify investments accordingly.

In conclusion, the current market environment is characterized by high uncertainty, and investors should be prepared for a range of possible outcomes. The potential for further gains in equity markets is likely to remain, but the sustainability of this rally will depend on how well the stimulus measures are implemented and how quickly they can be put in place.

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**Analysts see better chance for US stimulus breakthrough**

**Biden victory could weigh on Wall Street’s gains**

By [Author’s Name]

The US stock market has been grappling with a range of uncertainties, including the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, economic reopening plans, and the possibility of additional fiscal stimulus. While the market has been volatile, there are signs that a Biden victory could bring a new sense of stability and a stronger chance of additional stimulus.

Biden’s victory is seen as a significant win for the US economy, as he is known for his pro-growth policies and his commitment to addressing social and economic issues. If Biden wins, the market could see a surge in optimism, leading to higher stock prices and potentially lower interest rates.

However, there are also risks associated with a Biden victory, including the possibility of increased government spending and higher taxes, which could lead to inflation pressures. There is also a risk that the market could overreact to the news, leading to a correction in the near term.

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**Forget Amazon: In Europe, small caps are pandemic’s biggest winners**

By [Author’s Name]

While Amazon and similar companies have continued to benefit from the pandemic, smaller companies in Europe have also been performing well. These companies, which are often overlooked by investors, have been able to adapt quickly to the changing market conditions and have been able to grow their businesses.

For example, a company like [Company Name], which focuses on [Industry], has seen a significant increase in demand for its products. The company has been able to increase its sales and profits, leading to higher stock prices and a strong performance on the stock exchange.

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**Bank of France governor warns about government spending**

By [Author’s Name]

The Bank of France governor, [Name], has warned about the potential risks of excessive government spending. He has said that if government spending is not carefully managed, it could lead to inflation pressures and higher interest rates, which could hurt the economy.

The governor has also emphasized the importance of fiscal discipline and the need to ensure that government spending is sustainable in the long term. He has called for a cautious approach to government spending and for a focus on ensuring that the economy remains strong and stable.

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US set to continue as ‘economic powerhouse’ regardless of November 3 poll results: QNB

The US is set to continue being an economic powerhouse that will sustain its position across the globe, regardless of the election results tomorrow, according to a weekly economic report released yesterday by QNB Group. This comes on the back of a weak US dollar, high inflation, and low business activity in the US, amid the continuing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The QNB report, released by the bank’s head of research, said that the US dollar is expected to remain strong in the short term, mainly due to the expected strong US economy and the Federal Reserve’s aggressive monetary policy. However, the report added that the US dollar could face some pressure in the medium term due to the presidential election and the potential for more fiscal stimulus.

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