

Did You Know?



Every minute of downtime outage costs Facebook approximately \$24,420. The "prolonged" outage that lasted for 19 minutes in August 2014 cost the company almost \$427,000 – and you thought you were pissed when Facebook goes down.



BFC CURRENCIES EXCHANGE RATE

COUNTRY/CURRENCIES	BUY	SELL
AUSTRALIA	0.3074	0.3038
BANGLADESH	0.00493	0.00467
CANADA	0.3064	0.3021
DENMARK	0.0617	
EGYPT	0.0234	0.0217
EURO	0.4437	0.4395
HONGKONG	0.04983	0.04943
INDIA	0.00605	0.00591
INDONESIA	0.00003074	0.00002900
IRAN TUMAN	0.000323	
IRAQI DINAR	0.000304	
JAPAN	0.00352	0.003450
JORDAN	0.5350	0.5351
KOREA	0.00038632	
KUWAIT	1.249	1.249
MALAYSIA	0.0909	0.0902
NEW ZEALAND	0.2838	0.2824
NORWAY	0.0488	
NEPAL	0.00389	0.00367
OMAN	0.97962	0.98327
PAKISTAN	0.00369	0.00359
PHILIPPINES	0.00774	0.00743
QATAR	0.10381	0.10376
SAUDI ARABIA	0.10058	0.10066
SINGAPORE	0.2805	0.2785
SOUTH AFRICA	0.03050	0.03040
SRI LANKA	0.00270	0.00246
SWEDISH	0.0486	
SWITZERLAND	0.4054	0.4006
SYRIA	0.001740	0.0018
TAIWAN	0.012700	
THAILAND	0.011410	0.011430
TURKEY	0.1135	
UNITED KINGDOM	0.5015	0.4967
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	0.102810	0.102810
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	0.37780	0.37800
YUAN	0.056800	0.056800

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GULF INTERBANK RATES

COUNTRY	1 US DLR	1 UK STG	1 SFR	100 YEN
BAHRAIN	0.3770	0.5738	0.3950	0.3368
KUWAIT	0.2855	31.9589	0.2991	0.2550
OMAN	0.3849	0.3673	0.4033	0.3438
QATAR	3.6420	3.4759	3.8160	3.2535
UAE	3.6730	3.5055	3.8485	3.2812
SAUDI	3.7500	3.5790	3.9292	3.3500



Qatar continues rally, SABIC boosts Saudi

Dubai
Qatar's stock market continued rebounding yesterday from lows hit after its diplomatic rift with neighbouring Arab states, while strength in top petrochemical producer Saudi Basic Industries buoyed Saudi Arabia.

The Qatari index rose 0.4 per cent to 9,542 points. It had closed at 9,924 points on June 4, just before the crisis erupted, and has rebounded more than 10pc from its low at the start of July.

Doha Bank gained 2.0pc after reporting its first-half net profit rose to 716 million riyals (\$197m) from 708m riyals year ago, as operating income gained 4.8pc.

Drilling rig provider Gulf International Services added 3.5pc and telecommunications company Ooredoo surged 2.8pc.

Elsewhere, Saudi Arabia's index rose 0.4pc as Saudi

Basic Industries climbed 1.1pc to 99.90 riyals. Morgan Stanley raised the stock to overweight from equal-weight and lifted its price target to 122 riyals from 86 riyals.

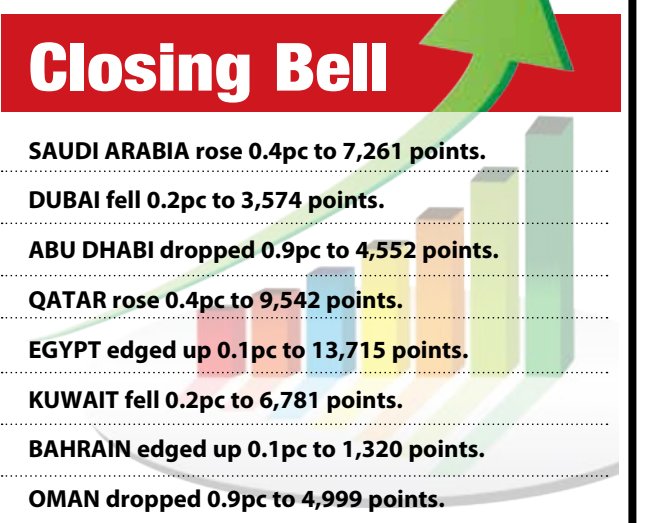
Alinma Bank, the most heavily traded stock, stayed strong after Wednesday's better-than-expected quarterly earnings, adding a further 3.7pc.

Tihama Advertising jumped 5.8pc after announcing the sale of its entire stake in Ad Art Median Co for 4m riyals (\$1.1m).

Dubai's index edged down 0.2pc as Amlak Finance soared 14.3pc and was the most heavily traded stock after real estate developer DAMAC said it was partnering with Amlak to sell second homes to customers. DAMAC fell 2.0pc.

Shuaa Capital soared its 15pc daily limit after saying it had executed an agreement to acquire Integrated Capital

Closing Bell



- SAUDI ARABIA rose 0.4pc to 7,261 points.
- DUBAI fell 0.2pc to 3,574 points.
- ABU DHABI dropped 0.9pc to 4,552 points.
- QATAR rose 0.4pc to 9,542 points.
- EGYPT edged up 0.1pc to 13,715 points.
- KUWAIT fell 0.2pc to 6,781 points.
- BAHRAIN edged up 0.1pc to 1,320 points.
- OMAN dropped 0.9pc to 4,999 points.

Facebook to test news story paywalls: report

San Francisco
Facebook will test limiting the number of published news stories that can be read for free on its Instant Articles platform for premium publishers, US media reported on Wednesday.

The leading social network has become a major source of news for people, triggering complaints by publishers that they lose control and revenue when their stories are shared free at Facebook.

A paywall is under construction in Facebook's Instant Articles section where the social network has agreements with select outlets to publish directly to the platform, according to a story



Representational image initially published online at *TheStreet*.

with Google's AMP that also optimizes content from select media for mobile web browsing.

Facebook head of news partnerships Campbell Brown said at a digital publishing conference in New York on Tuesday that the social network is responding to publishers' concerns with the move, *TheStreet* reported.

Facebook in October will begin testing a feature that limits to 10 the number of stories that can be accessed in its "Instant Articles" section and guides readers to publisher home pages to consider buying subscriptions, according to media reports.

The service was launched two years ago and competes