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## Another Volatile Morning in Global Markets

### 1. Today's Trading Playbook

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#### KEY THEMES

Global markets kicked off the week on a very jittery notion, affected by the surging cases of Omicron in Europe and the United States, which spooked investor worries. Investors are afraid that re-imposing restrictions on economic activity in major regions is a strong possibility. U.S. equity futures slipped notably in early Monday trading. Meanwhile, Brent oil prices are now trading near USD71/bbl, down 3-4% as the market tries to assess any potential lower demand for fuel products. Other equity markets, including Asian shares, were down for pretty much the same reason. We mentioned here before late November that volatility in global markets is to be expected as investors around the globe slowly get a grasp of the expected impact from the new COVID-19 variant. We note that since then readings of the S&P500 Volatility Index [**VIX**] have been scoring their highest levels in almost eleven months.

*Now, on to the top news and analysis for the day.*

### 2. TOP NEWS & ANALYSIS

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#### MACRO NEWS

**Suez Canal revenues reached USD6bn from the beginning of the year until mid-December.** ([Economy Plus](#))

**Saudi electronics retailer "Extra" plans to spend EGP1bn to open in Egypt,** marking the company's first expansion outside the GCC region. ([CNBC Arabia](#))

#### CORPORATE NEWS

**Elsowedy Electric's [SWDY] subsidiary Rowad Modern Engineering (51% owned by SWDY) signed two contracts.** The first contract is with Emaar Misr for Development [**EMFD**] to construct Mividia Office Park project for a total of EGP996mn. Meanwhile, the second contract is with New Giza to construct New Giza Hospital, with a total project value of EGP602mn. (Company disclosures: [1](#), [2](#))

**Cleopatra Hospital Group's [CLHO] board of directors has approved a bid from CI Capital Holding [CICH] to acquire up to 26.2% of CLHO's shares.** ([Company disclosure](#))

**Eastern Company [EAST] decided to halt production at "Muharram Bek" cigarette factory for the time being until further notice due to high levels of inventory.** ([Company disclosure](#))

**Three major tobacco companies have reportedly chosen not to bid for a license to manufacture cigarettes.** International tobacco producers, namely **JTI-Nakhla Tobacco**, **British American Tobacco Egypt**, and **Al Mansour International Distribution Company** will not be taking part in the renewed tender from the **Industrial Development Authority (IDA)**. ([Akhbar-Elyom](#))

## GLOBAL NEWS

**Russia, the world's largest wheat exporter, is considering imposing higher export tariffs if wheat prices reach USD375/ton,** with a bigger hike proposed if prices reach USD400/ton. ([Regulation Russia](#))

**The U.S. dollar hovered near its highest point in seventeen months against major peers on Monday** after Federal Reserve officials signaled a first pandemic-era interest rate increase could come as early as March. ([Reuters](#))

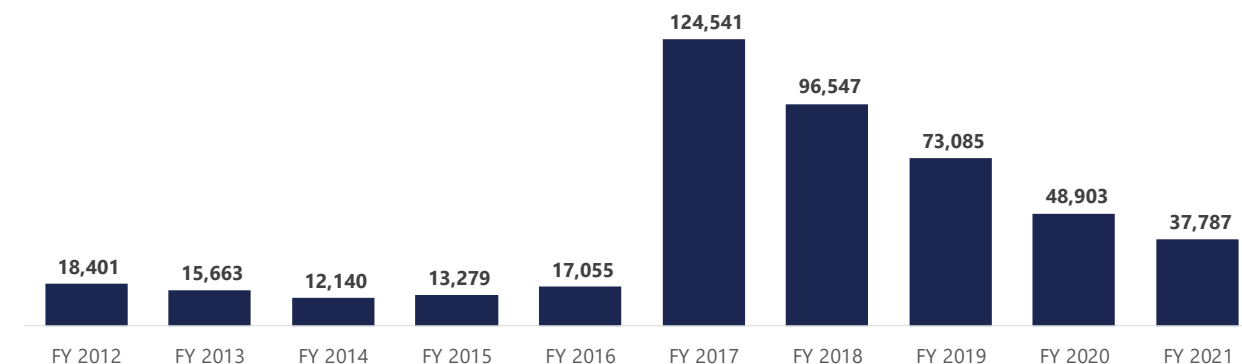
**Oil prices slumped by more than 2% on Monday as surging cases of Omicron, COVID-19 variant, in Europe and the United States stoked investor worries** that new restrictions on businesses to combat its spread may hit fuel demand. ([Reuters](#))

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Public Investments on Electricity in The Last 10 Years (EGPmn)



Source: Ministry of Planning and Economic Development.

The public investments on electricity reached its peak in FY2017. After that, total spending started to decrease until it reached EGP37.8bn in FY2021.

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Current equity market cap (EGPbn)						Equity turnover (EGPmn): Last, ytd avg.			
733.8						703.5      1,178.6			

\* As of market close, except for commodities and currencies at 8.3am CLT. Change in Treasuries is in basis points.

Source: Bloomberg, CBE.

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[Find out](#) how your favorite stocks compare to the rest of the market.

## 6. KEY DATES

DATE	TICKER	TYPE	EVENT
20-Dec-21	RAYA	OGM	Approving the financial statements and the proposed dividends.
22-Dec-21	EGCH	OGM	Approving the financial statements ending 30 Jun. 2021.
22-Dec-21	EGCH	EGM	Amending articles of the bylaws.
23-Dec-21	PACH	OGM	Approving the financial statements and the proposed dividends.
26-Dec-21	AIH	Lawsuit	A court session discussing legal disputes relevant to the company.
27-Dec-21	ORAS	EGM	Approving the potential acquisition of an equipment distribution business.
30-Dec-21	ABUK	Cash dividend	Date for paying out a dividend of EGP1.00/share (2nd round).
30-Dec-21	MICH	Cash dividend	Date for paying out a dividend of EGP0.50/share (2nd round).
30-Dec-21	EGTS	OGM	Approving the financial statements and other agenda items.
1-Jan-22	ALCN	OGM	Approving the financial statements and other agenda items.
1-Jan-22	ALCN	EGM	Approving the company's draft articles of association.
1-Jan-22	CSAG	OGM	Approving its 2021 financials and discussing a dividend distribution.
1-Jan-22	CSAG	EGM	Approving the company's draft articles of association.
2-Jan-22	EGTS	Lawsuit	A court session discussing legal disputes relevant to the company.
3-Jan-22	AREH	EGM	Amending articles 4 and 33 of the bylaws.
9-Jan-22	PORT	EGM	Amending article No. 2 of the company's bylaws.
10-Jan-22	ODIN	EGM	Amending Articles No. 3 & 4 of the company's bylaws.
12-Jan-22	CCRS	OGM	A board reshuffle.
20-Jan-22	ARCC	EGM	Discussing changes to the bylaws.

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8-Dec-21	<a href="#">MACROView – For Stormy Days, Eyes on the Ball</a>
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