

## ZSE sustains rising momentum...

	Previous	Current	Change	%Change	YTD %
<b>Industrial</b>	146.80	153.33	6.5300	4.45	6.09
<b>Mining</b>	70.22	70.98	0.7600	1.08	21.31

The ZSE sustained its rising momentum this week in the back of buoyant demand amidst constrained supply. The benchmark Industrial Index surged 4.45% to consolidate its positive year to date return that closed at 6.09% as it ended the week pegged at 153.33pts. Gains were also seen in the resources counters with the Mining Index charging 1.08% for the week to 70.98pts and bringing up its year to date return of 21.31%. The market has seen firming demand in recent weeks spurred by growing interest in equities as an alternative investment destination following the capping of interest rates by the central bank coupled with the uncertainties created by the introduction of bond notes to mitigate shortage of hard currency in the economy. Sellers remained elusive in the market despite firming prices due to lack of competitive alternative investment options.

### Weekly Risers

RISERS	PRICE	% Change
MEIK.ZW	0.1870	24.25
ECO.ZW	0.2457	22.54
PWS.ZW	0.0235	11.90
ZPI.ZW	0.0120	8.11
FBC.ZW	0.1075	7.50
ZIMP.ZW	0.0075	7.14
ZIMR.ZW	0.0150	7.14
ZBFH.ZW	0.1600	6.67
OKZ.ZW	0.0660	6.45
DLTA.ZW	0.9300	4.79

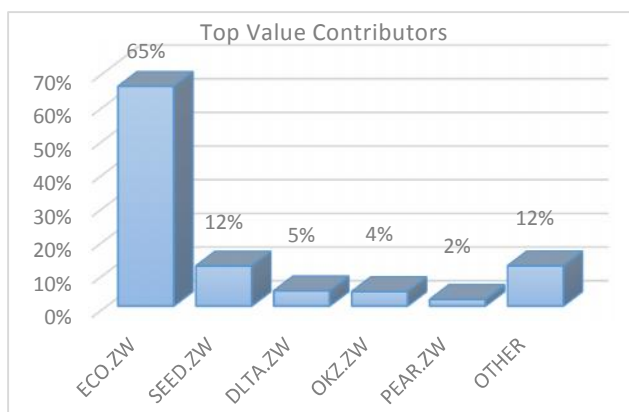
It was another overly bullish week on the ZSE as the market bourse seemingly got set on a run of its own. Twenty three counters closed the week in the black compared to a mere two fallers setting a positive market breadth for the week. Meikles led the market charge with a 24.2% rise for the week after management advised shareholders that the long outstanding debt issue with the central bank has been resolved while, performance for the first three months was much improved. Resultantly, the diversified group closed at \$0.1870 and even touched an Intra week high of \$0.1940. Telecoms group, Econet enjoyed a bullish run as well charging 22.54% for the week and ending pegged at \$0.2457 while, Power speed surged 11.90% to \$0.0235 as demand resurged. Property concern ZPI was up 8.11% at \$0.0120 as financial services group FBCH put on 7.5% and closed the week at \$0.1075. News group Zimpapers was up 7.14% at \$0.0075 in a rare trade for the group. Insurance group ZHL added 7.14% and closed at \$0.0150 while, ZBFH extended its rising momentum with a 6.67% lift that took it to a high of \$0.1600. Retail group OKZIM was up 6.45% at \$0.0660 ahead of the release of its full year results to March 2017. Delta anchored the market's gains with a 4.79% lift to \$0.9300 amidst firming demand.

### Weekly Fallers

FALLERS	PRICE	% Change
BIND.ZW	0.0290	3.33
FML.ZW	0.0750	1.57

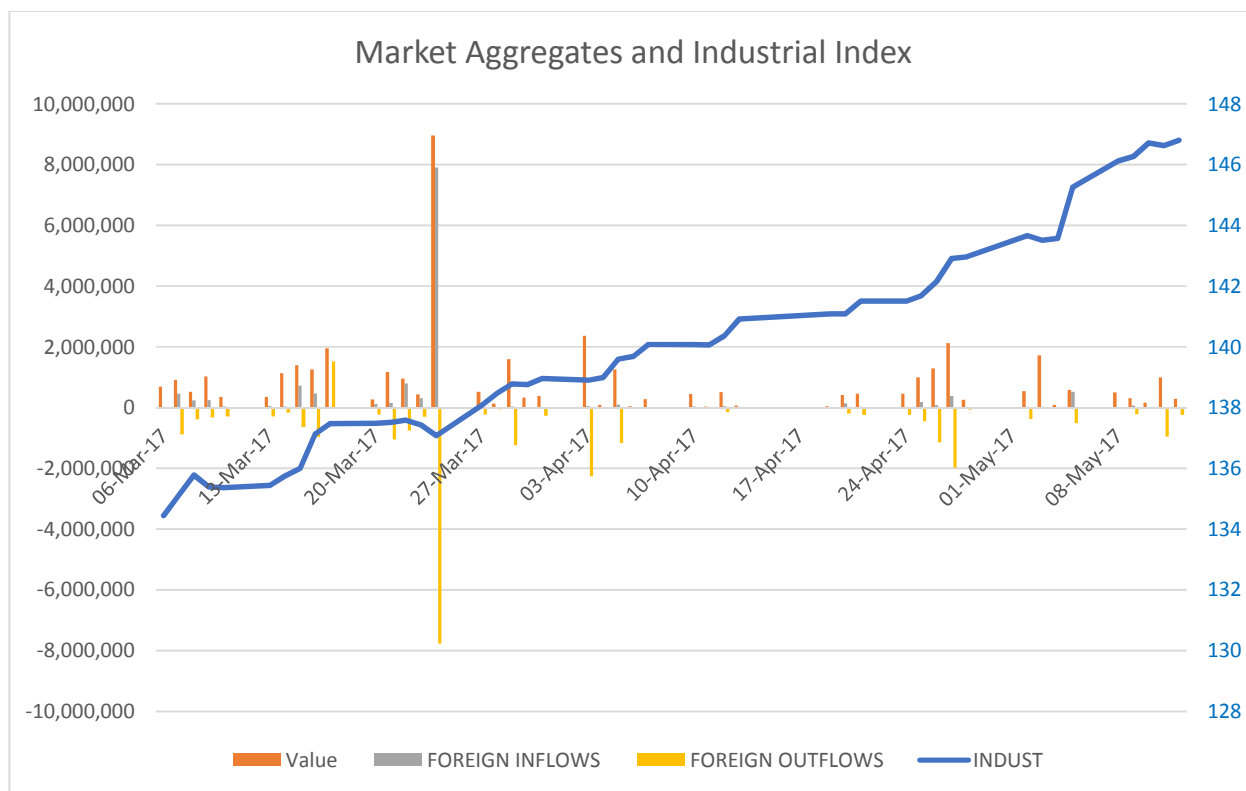
The two shakers for the week emerged to be Mining house Bindura and insurance group FML. Bindura was in a 3.33% slide that took it to \$0.0290 as the group advised board and committee changes. Insurance group FML came off 1.57% and settled at \$0.0750 on profit taking.

Econet trades highlights the market ...



	Previous	Current	Change	%Change
Values	2,231,674.60	6,903,057.53	4,671,382.93	209.32
Volumes	44,332,738.00	42,246,254.00	2,086,484	4.71

The market saw a better trading week with Econet emerging as the highlight of the trading week. The market spend went up 20% and closed at \$6.9m driven mainly by Econet where 65% of the market liquidity as supply emerged on profit taking. Other notable trades for the week were seen in SeedCo which accounted for 12% of the weekly outturn. Volumes of the week were marginally down shedding 4.71% to \$42.2m shares as Econet again drove the aggregate after claiming 45% of the total as other notable volumes were exchanged in ZPI - 20%, OKZIM - 11% and Pearl with 9%.



**In the News****Meikles, Govt agree on debt resolution**

Zimbabwe Stock Exchange-listed group Meikles Limited has reached an agreement with government over a Reserve Bank of Zimbabwe debt issue, which has been outstanding for two decades.

<https://www.newsday.co.zw/2017/05/18/meikles-govt-agree-debt-resolution/>

**NAMPAK profit down 56.6%**

NAMPAK Zimbabwe Limited experienced a 56,62% drop in profit after tax to \$838 000 on the back of depressed demand in the plastics and metals segment through their subsidiaries.

<https://www.newsday.co.zw/2017/05/18/nampak-profit-drop-566/>

**ASA appoints Murangari and Masunda**

ASA Resources has appointed David Murangari as its new non-executive chairman of the board to clean the mess after the group was recently engulfed in a scandal amounting to \$15 million.

<https://www.newsday.co.zw/2017/05/18/asa-appoints-murangari-masunda/>

**No offer yet for Meikles-Moxon**

THE Meikles family, the majority shareholder in Meikles Africa Ltd, will consider an offer to sell its shareholding should it be made, a representative of the family said.

<https://www.theindependent.co.zw/2017/05/19/no-offer-yet-meikles-moxon/>

**Upbeat Nestle invests US\$ 30m in Zim**

GLOBAL food and beverage manufacturer Nestlé has remained steadfast despite economic headwinds that have threatened the viability of business in Zimbabwe with local management indicating plans for further investment in the country.

<https://www.theindependent.co.zw/2017/05/19/upbeat-nestle-invests-us30m-zim/>

**RTG turns to owners for US\$25m bailout**

TROUBLED hospitality group, the Rainbow Tourism Group (RTG), has tabled a US\$25 million cash call as it seeks to stabilise its balance sheet after paying US\$11,3 million to regional lenders in the past four years.

<http://www.financialgazette.co.zw/rtg-turns-to-owners-for-us25m-bailout/>

**Fresh war erupts at CFI Holdings**

PROPERTY magnate, Nicholas van Hoogstraten is pushing for an extraordinary general meeting (EGM) at CFI Holdings Limited to resolve a dispute that emerged two years ago over the sale of Langford Estates.

<http://www.financialgazette.co.zw/fresh-war-erupts-at-cfi-holdings/>

**RTG pursues capital bank**

HOSPITALITY concern, the Rainbow Tourism Group (RTG), is in hot pursuit of the failed Capital Bank to recover US\$1,9 million trapped in the failed financial institution. <http://www.financialgazette.co.zw/rainbow-tourism-group-pursues-capital-bank/>

**Vingirai ousted from ZB Financial Holdings board**

NICHOLAS Vingirai's return to high finance suffered a dramatic setback when ZB Financial Holdings shareholders voted against his re-election to the board following a charged confrontation with institutional investor National Social Security Authority (NSSA) at Friday's annual general meeting.

<http://www.financialgazette.co.zw/nicholas-vingirai-ousted-from-zb-financial-holdings-board/>

**CBZ targets \$20m growth in loans**

CBZ Holdings Limited is targeting to grow its loan book by \$20 mln this year, amid expectations that its huge stock of sovereign paper will give it access to more lines of credit. <http://www.herald.co.zw/cbz-targets-20m-growth-in-loans/>

**April inflation up 0.48pc**



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The year-on-year inflation rate continued on an upward trend in April, gaining 0.27 percentage points to close the month at 0.48% as the International Monetary Fund recommended a halt to excessive Government expenditure which it said could fuel inflation. <http://www.herald.co.zw/april-inflation-up-048pc/>

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