



# OPPORTUNITY

PRIVATE CAPITAL

## Economic Snapshot November 2021

### LOCAL HIGHLIGHTS & LOWLIGHTS

- All-Share Index on 15 Nov: breaks 70,000
- All-Share YTD return: 18.77%
- Market PE ratio: 12.29
- USD/ZAR currently at R15.25/\$,
- South Africa 10Y Government Bond yield: Current 9.435%

(Data: Bloomberg; Sharenet ; [www.tradingeconomics.com](http://www.tradingeconomics.com) )

### NEWS

- Richemont and Shoprite's strong performances have helped to lift the All-Share index to above 70,000 for the first time.
- Distell will delist from the JSE after being acquired by Heineken. Distell is estimated to produce 1 in 6 bottles of wine and almost 80% of the brandy in SA.
- The total aggregate loss of the SOE's is estimated at R28b for 2020, after losing 'only' R8b in 2019.
- The 23 November deadline for municipal coalition talks is fast approaching after more than 60 municipalities did not find an outright winner.
- It is speculated that Russia carried out its first anti-satellite weapons test, causing what the US military refers to as a "debris-generating event".

### The alternative alternatives

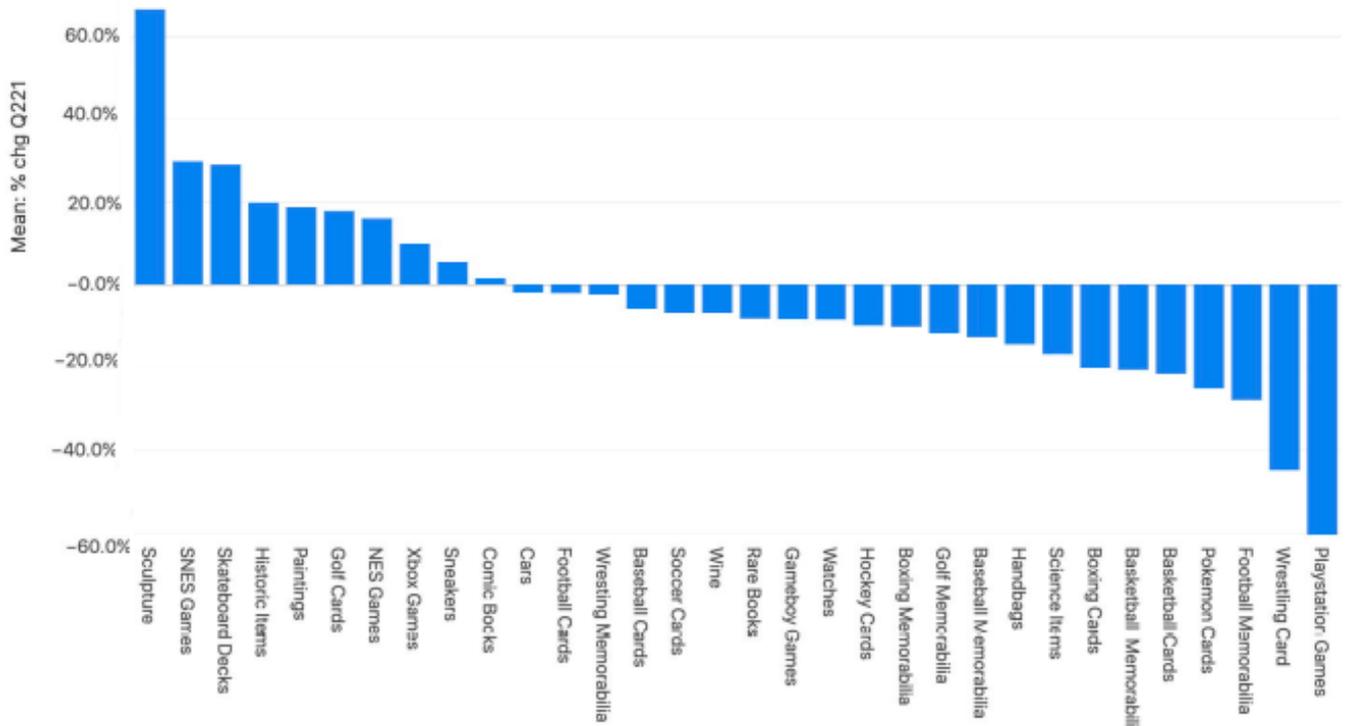
When hearing the term 'alternative asset classes', most people will be aware that it refers to often non-listed, often more risky, and often illiquid investments that sit outside of the broad assets found in a typical portfolio. The alternative asset groups are normally associated with the traditional private equity, venture capital and 'angel-investing' opportunities.

But these days you can monetise basically anything, and the trend has picked up speed over the last few years; investors now have access to a plethora of very alternative assets, each with a measurable index. These 'assets' range from PlayStation games and collectable handbags through to sculptures, art, and vintage cars.

And this new market has been very busy during the past calendar year: There were a total of 118 IPOs in the second quarter of 2021 alone, happening across 28 different asset classes. Of these IPOs, collectable assets accounted for more than \$10m to contribute to a total of over \$19m worth of assets IPO'd (Collectable's unfortunately underperformed the greater market due to a focus on sports cards and memorabilia.) And as in any other industry, the players come and go, with a house called Mythic Market shutting their doors and newcomers Rares and Vint reported to have launched.

Those in the know expect the good performance from secondary asset classes like comics and game cartridges to continue, while the market has shown renewed interest in less volatile assets like cultural items, toys, and books. Art & culture items have also shown strong returns while investors lost interest in weaker asset classes, like sports cards, sports memorabilia, and game trading cards. It will be interesting to see how big this industry becomes!

## GRAPH OF THE MONTH: 2021 performance of the alternative assets



Source: <https://alternativeassets.club/>

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