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#### **WEEKLY COMMENTARY**

Canada's Inflation eased for the first time in four months in August, in line with market expectations. Annualized Inflation decelerated to 2.8% but remained close to the near seven-year high of 3.0% attained in July. The downward movement was attributable to a slowdown in the rate of increase in gasoline prices.

The Bank of Canada (BoC) has increased interest rates four times since July 2017 and has reiterated that it will need to continue gradually raising rates in an attempt to keep the inflation rate in line. As a result August's reading which came out above the Central Bank's 2.0% target for the seventh consecutive month has boosted the likelihood that the Bank of Canada will raise rates in October.

## **Currency Markets**

International Currency Market									
Currency	21 <b>-S</b> ep	I4-Sep	<b>DoD</b> % Δ	<b>WoW</b> % ∆	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ			
EUR: USD	1.1749	1.1625	-0.24%	1.07%	-2.13%	-1.61%			
GBP: USD	1.3072	1.3068	-1.45%	0.03%	-3.26%	-3.74%			
USD: CAD	1.2916	1.3036	0.10%	-0.92%	2.74%	4.78%			
USD: JPY	112.59	112.06	0.09%	0.47%	-0.09%	0.10%			

	Local Foreign Currency Market									
C	urrency	21 <b>-S</b> ep	<b>20-S</b> ep	14-Sep	<b>DoD</b> % Δ	WoW % ∆	YTD% ∆			
US	D:JMD	136.31	136.56	136.74	-0.18%	-0.32%	9.05%			
GB	P:JMD	179.07	180.69	178.67	-0.89%	0.23%	7.21%			
CA	AD:JMD	105.35	105.79	105.75	-0.42%	-0.38%	8.16%			

### **Global Interest Rates**

Rates	21 <b>-S</b> ep	14-Sep	DoD Δ bps	WoW ∆ bps	YTD Δ bps	YoY Δ bps
10 Year US Treasury Bond	3.06%	3.00%	0.02	6.69	65.28	78.63
10 Year UK Gilt	1.55%	1.53%	-3.20	2.30	36.30	18.60
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	5.03%	5.04%	-1.30	-0.40	59.30	57.80
5 Year US Treas- ury Bond	2.95%	2.90%	-0.48	4.52	73.85	106.23
5 Year UK Gilt	1.14%	1.13%	-3.40	1.60	42.40	37.00

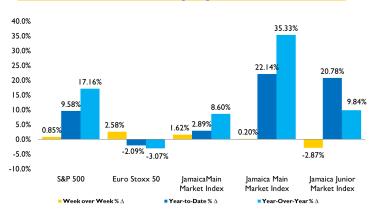
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## **Local Equity Market**

BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS									
AI	ADVANCERS DECLINERS								
BIL	51.33%	▲ ECL	-22.28%						
CAC	38.27%	MEEC	-10.90%						
ROC	28.57%	DTL	-10.07%	•					

JSE Main Market activity resulted from trading in 36 stocks of which 17 advanced, 15 declined and 4 traded firm. Market volume amounted to 34,948,117 units valued at over \$602,382,198.16. JSE Junior Market activity resulted from trading in 38 stocks of which 13 advanced, 22 declined and 3 traded firm. Market volume amounted to 40,723,259 units valued at over \$219,421,435.45.

## **Global Equity Indices**



Upcoming Week:	Septemb	er 24-	28, 2018	
Report	Country	Period	Forecast	Prior
GDP QoQ	UK	2Q F	0.004	0.004
GDP YoY	UK	2Q F	0.01	0.01
Initial Jobless Claims	US	22-Sep	210k	201k
FOMC Rate Decision (Upper Bound)	US	26-Sep	2.25%	2.00%
GDP Annualized QoQ	US	2Q T	4.20%	4.20%
Conf. Board Consumer Confidence	US	Sep	132.00	133.40
Personal Income	US	Aug	0.40%	0.30%
Personal Spending	US	Aug	0.30%	0.40%

## LOCAL STOCK RECOMMENDATIONS

				52 WEEK RANGE VALUATION STATISTICS						JNFM's Recommendation			
COMPANY NAME	SYMBOL	Sep-21-2018	YTD%	High \$	Low	Price/ Earning Ratio	Book Value Per Share	Price/Book	Return on Equity %	T12M Dividend	T12M Dividend Yield	Potential upside/ downside	Recommendation
MAIN MARKET		<b>—</b> •		•	, ,		<b>—</b>		70				
FINANCE													
JMMB Group Ltd	JMMBGL	33.46	49.44%	34.50	21.00	13.89	15.48	2.16	15.55%	0.47	1.40%	-14.49%	HOLD
NCB Financial Group Ltd	NCBFG	111.87	12.57%	130.00	84.01	10.89	54.01	2.07	19.02%	2.70	2.41%	2.12%	HOLD
Scotia Group Jamaica Ltd	SGJ	63.74	21.04%	64.00	44.06	14.87	35.06	1.82	12.22%	1.89	2.97%	-7.78%	HOLD
Victoria Mutual Investments Ltd	VMIL	3.75	15.74%	4.85	3.01	18.72	1.66	2.26	12.07%	0.02	0.53%	4.00%	HOLD
MANUFACTURING													
Wisynco Ltd	WISYNCO	8.83	-27.86%	13.81	8.70	14.44	2.32	3.81	26.39%	0.06	0.68%	30.46%	STRONG BUY
CONGLOMERATE													
Sagicor Group Jamaica Ltd	SJ	39.35	10.60%	42.00	33.00	13.14	17.62	2.23	17.00%	1.24	3.15%	-6.40%	HOLD
REAL ESTATE													
Sagicor Real Estate X Fund Ltd	XFUND	11.63	-22.47%	17.50	10.61	9.68	10.36	1.12	11.60%	0.14	1.20%	60.28%	STRONG BUY
JUNIOR MARKET													
FINANCE													
Access Financial Services Ltd	AFS	48.00	31.76%	56.00	32.00	17.70	9.24	5.20	29.36%	0.96	2.00%	20.67%	BUY
Lasco Financial Services Ltd	LASF	5.25	-0.76%	6.60	3.60	23.06	1.16	4.52	19.59%	0.08	1.52%	18.86%	BUY
MANUFACTURING													
Lasco Manufacturing Ltd	LASM	3.89	2.91%	4.77	3.30	23.07	1.12	3.48	15.08%	0.04	0.98%	-2.06%	HOLD
SERVICES													
Elite Diagnostic Limited	ELITE	3.16	58.00%	3.50	2.60	51.41	1.08	2.93	5.70%	0.00	0.00%	-8.86%	HOLD
RETAIL													
Caribbean Producers Jamaica Ltd	CPJ	6.00	33.93%	7.15	3.60	21.91	2.69	2.23	10.17%	0.06	1.00%	30.83%	STRONG BUY
Jetcon Corp Ltd	JETCON	4.02	-16.42%	5.00	3.50	14.97	0.89	4.54	30.30%	0.11	2.61%	11.94%	HOLD
LEISURE													
Main Event Entertainment Group	MEEG	5.56	5.30%	8.00	4.45	15.83	1.84	3.02	19.10%	0.00	0.00%	12.77%	HOLD

NCB Financial Group Ltd. - The NCB Financial Group (NCBFG) achieved net profit of J\$20.95B for the year-to-date second quarter ending June 30, 2018, an increase of 42.35% over the prior year. NCBFG continues to place emphasis on strategic initiatives in restructuring its core business by seeking opportunities to grow organically and inorganically throughout the Caribbean by utilizing technology to improve efficiency and enhance profitability.

JMMB Group Ltd. - During the the first quarter ended June 30th , 2018 (Q1 2019), JMMBGL's net profit increased by 56% year-over-over to J\$956.6M for the corresponding period of 2017 as result of a 8.00% increase in net interest income relative to the prior period. JMMB continues to remain focused on operationalizing their commercial bank and increasing their crossing-selling efforts. In alignment with JMMB's strategy to provide customized financial solutions they continue to see growth in their off-balance sheet products.

Jetcon Corporation Ltd.— Jetcon's financial performance declined during the second quarter ended June 30th, 2018 (Q2). Jetcon's Net profit for the quarter fell over 12% YoY, moving from J\$42.90M in Q2 2017 to J\$38.4M, in Q2 2018.

Pan Jam Investment Limited - Net profit for the quarter ended March 31, 2018 (Q1 2018) amounted to \$827M, an improvement relative to the \$830M recorded in Q1 2017. Pan-Jam continues to benefit from its 31.5% investment in Sagicor Group and increased property income.

Sagicor Real Estate X Fund - XFUND reported net profit attributable to shareholders for the YTD second quarter ending June 30th, 2018 was \$770.2M, 2% lower than June 2017's YTD net profit of \$785.2M. Despite this lower quarterly performance, the optimistic outlook for travel & Tourism sector in 2018 bodes well X Fund.

Access Financial Services - Net profit for the first quarter ended June 30, 2018 increased to J\$216.72M from J\$188.46M when compared to the corresponding period last year. During the period under review net operating income marginally declined which was tempered by a decline in operating expenses by 11%.

Kingston Wharves Ltd. - KWL has been aggressively upgrading its facilities, seeking to integrate its logistics services and expanding its range of cargo services. For the quarter ended March 31, 2018, net profit increased by 11% or \$36 million, to \$368M from \$332M in QI 2017.

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## **JN MUTUAL FUNDS**

September 20, 2018

JN Mutual Funds	NAV Price	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)
Global Diversified Income	J\$13.1378	22.30%	11.83%	2.97%
Global Equity	J\$13.3457	21.40%	14.85%	0.00%
Global Fixed Income	J\$11.4522	9.70%	6.78%	4.77%
Global Money Market (US\$)	US\$10.0544	0.86%	0.54%	0.95%
Global Fixed Income (US\$)	US\$9.9062	-	-0.94%	4.09%
Local Money Market	J\$10.3322	4.78%	3.32%	2.27%

	Global Money Market Fund	Local Money Market Fund	Global Fixed Income Funds	Global Diversified Income Fund	Global Equity Fund
Objective	To preserve capital whilst	To preserve capital whilst	To achieve an attractive total	To provide long-term	To provide long-term capital
	providing US dollar (US\$)	providing Jamaican Dollar	return through capital injection and	investment growth through	growth and risk
	money market returns	(J\$) money market returns	income growth. This is offered	exposure to a diversified	diversification.
			through two separate Funds:	range of asset classes.	
			(i) A Jamaican dollar (J\$) and		
			(ii) A US dollar (US\$) fund.		
Strategy	To invest in local and global	To invest in local and global	To invest in regional, sovereign	To invest in fixed income,	To invest in the shares of
J,	money market instruments	money market instruments	debt securities, local and	high dividend yielding stocks,	local and international
	for safety, liquidity and	for safety and liquidity and	international corporate bonds.	REITs and structured products	companies which offer
	yield.	yield			strong growth possibilities
					and consistent income

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