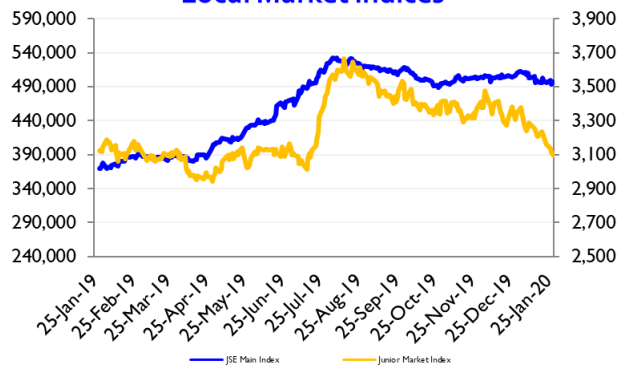


## US Federal Reserve Holds Policy Rate at 1.75%

The United States' (US) Federal Reserve (Fed) decided at today's FOMC policy meeting to hold the policy rate steady at 1.75%. However, the special reserve rate charged by the Fed to banks on balances exceeding the highest penalty-free band has been changed from 1.5% to 1.6%. The Fed indicated that the reason not to change the policy rate is a combination of the continued strength of the labour market and the moderate pick-up in economic activity in the country. Business fixed investment and exports, however, remained weak despite household spending rising at a moderate rate. The Committee indicated that the monetary policy stance to hold the rate is appropriate to support sustained economic growth, strong labour market conditions, and inflation returning to the Fed's 2% target.

We believe that while the easing of trade tensions has brought some level of stability back to the market, new developments such as the coronavirus outbreak stand to threaten economic activities in the US and slow global growth. Since the outbreak, several large multinational corporations have indicated that their bottom-line earnings could be affected. This development is therefore likely to weigh on the Fed's decision at the next policy meeting scheduled for March 18, 2020.

### Local Market Indices



### Foreign Exchange Market

Currency	29-Jan	28-Jan	DoD % Δ	YTD % Δ
USD:JMD	140.91	140.79	0.09%	6.29%
GBP:JMD	182.28	182.13	0.08%	6.2%
CAD:JMD	104.78	109.74	-4.52%	4.6%

### Caribbean & Latam

- Bank lending and the financial health of borrowers in Brazil ended 2019 on a positive note, central bank figures on Wednesday showed, as default ratios and lending spreads fell against a backdrop of strong credit growth.

### USA & Canada

- The U.S. goods trade deficit rose sharply in December as imports rebounded and businesses became more cautious on accumulating inventory, prompting some economists to cut their fourth quarter economic growth estimates.

### Europe

- The United Kingdom leaves the European Union an hour before midnight on Friday, casting off into an uncertain Brexit future that also challenges Europe's post-World War Two project of forging unity from the ruins of conflict.

### Asia

- China's economic growth may drop to 5% or even lower due to the coronavirus outbreak, possibly pushing policymakers into introducing more stimulus measures, a government economist said in remarks published on Wednesday.

### Local Equity Market

Stock Index	Today's close	DoD Δ	DoD% Δ	YTD % Δ	YoY% Δ
JSE Combined Index	490,447.12	3,055.82	0.63%	-2.93%	31.38%
JSE Index	496,795.98	3,479.77	0.71%	-2.57%	34.61%
All Jamaican Composite Index	545,580.51	3,933.74	0.73%	-2.55%	34.69%
JSE Select Index	12,684.18	137.92	1.10%	-2.91%	34.43%
Junior Market Index	3,098.16	-12.88	-0.41%	-7.49%	-0.70%

### BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS

ADVANCERS		DECLINERS	
GK	11.73%	DCOVE	-13.70%
CBNY	9.09%	VMIL	-10.50%
MDS	6.51%	KLE	-9.80%

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference shares) resulted in trading of 68 stocks, of which 29 advanced, 31 declined and 8 traded firm.

### International Markets

International Equity Markets				
Index	29-Jan	DoD % Δ	YTD % Δ	YoY % Δ
S&P 500	3,273.91	-0.07%	1.34%	24.01%
Dow Jones	28,734.45	0.04%	0.69%	16.90%
FTSE All Share	4,157.33	0.07%	-0.93%	10.43%
Euro Stoxx 50	3,736.36	0.46%	-0.23%	18.49%
Nikkei 225	23,379.40	0.71%	-1.17%	13.14%
MSCI World Index	567.40	0.00%	0.38%	17.77%

International Currency Market				
Currency	29-Jan	DoD % Δ	YTD % Δ	YoY % Δ
EUR: USD	1.1005	-0.15%	-1.85%	-3.74%
GBP: USD	1.3012	-0.12%	-1.85%	-0.41%
USD: CAD	1.3205	0.38%	1.66%	-0.48%
USD: JPY	109.06	-0.08%	0.41%	-0.31%

Global Interest Rates				
Rates	29-Jan	DoD Δbps	YTD Δbps	YoY Δbps
10-Year US Treasury Bond	1.58%	-8.00	-34.00	-113.00
10-Year UK Gilt	0.52%	-3.00	-30.00	-75.00
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	3.84%	1.00	-1.00	-140.00

Commodities				
Commodity	29-Jan	DoD % Δ	YTD % Δ	YoY % Δ
Crude Oil	53.15	-0.62%	-12.95%	-0.30%
Gold	1,577.30	0.65%	3.96%	20.24%
Silver	17.57	0.57%	-1.57%	10.94%
Aluminium	1,752.00	0.00%	-3.20%	-7.40%



# Mutual Funds

**JN MUTUAL FUNDS**

January 28, 2020

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JN Mutual Funds	NAV Price	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)
<b>Global Diversified Income</b>	J\$14.3692	11.97%	-1.59%	1.99%
<b>Global Equity</b>	J\$17.3276	35.87%	-4.16%	0.00%
<b>Global Fixed Income</b>	J\$12.1298	5.44%	1.22%	5.57%
<b>Global Money Market (US\$)</b>	US\$10.2843	2.07%	0.20%	2.78%
<b>Global Fixed Income (US\$)</b>	US\$10.3562	3.51%	0.20%	2.44%
<b>Local Money Market</b>	J\$10.6696	2.79%	0.30%	3.35%

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

With a suite of six investment portfolios, each with a distinct financial profile, JN Mutual Funds offers a premium opportunity for investors to align their personal financial strategy with their goals, time horizons and risk profile.

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