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# **Global Manufacturing Expanded at Slightly Slower Pace in November 2021**

The J.P. Morgan Global Manufacturing Purchasing Managers Index (PMI), measuring global business activity in the manufacturing sector, was 54.2 in November and marginally lower than the 54.3 recorded in October. Of the 30 nations for which the latest data were available, 26 saw expansions, but four (China, Brazil, Mexico, and Myanmar) recorded a contraction. The improvement was attributable to an increase in output, new orders, employment, and stocks of purchases. However, vendor delivery times also lengthened sharply, reflecting the ongoing severe strain being experienced across global supply chains. In addition to this, inflationary price pressures remained elevated during November despite input costs and output charges easing. Nevertheless, the outlook for the global manufacturing sector remained positive in November as companies forecast that production would be higher in the year ahead. They also anticipate that the number of headwinds such as disruptions caused by supply chain issues and COVID-19 to lessen in the coming year.

The latest COVID-19 Omicron variant is a potential threat to industrial production worldwide and can lead to higher inflationary pressures. The manufacturing sector's outlook remains clouded in light of this and the uneven global recovery and vaccination. These impending disruptions to supply and consumer demand will likely add pressure on the sector's business activity in the months ahead.



## **Foreign Exchange Market**

Currency	2-Dec	I-Dec	DoD % $\Delta$	<b>YTD%</b> $\Delta$
USD:JMD	156.28	156.54	-0.16%	9.56%
GBP:JMD	210.50	208.40	1.01%	8.7%
CAD:JMD	123.51	122.15	1.11%	10.9%

### **Caribbean & Latam**

Most Latin American currencies firmed on Thursday, although sentiment remained fragile on uncertainty over the Omicron coronavirus variant, and as economic worries rose with data showing Brazil sank into a recession in the third quarter.

#### USA & Canada

Stocks have moved sharply higher over the course of the trading day on Thursday, largely offsetting the substantial pullback seen in the previous session. The major averages have all moved to the upside, with the Nasdaq rejoining its counterparts in positive territory after fluctuating early the day.

#### Europe

European stock indexes opened lower on Thursday, reversing gains from the previous session as a lack of information about the Omicron variant of COVID-19 left markets volatile, and as investors also bet on faster Fed tapering.

#### Asia

Most Asian currencies eased and stocks advanced on Thursday, amid some caution among investors as they assessed the potential economic fallout from the Omicron coronavirus variant, while the South Korean won firmed on increased bets of a rate hike.

Local Equity Market								
Stock Index	Today's close	DoD $\Delta$	<b>DoD%</b> $\Delta$	<b>YTD %</b> $\Delta$	<b>ΥοΥ%</b> Δ			
JSE Combined Index	393,160.50	-6,478.30	- <b>1.62</b> %	0.18%	0.27%			
JSE Index	388,423.38	-6,677.31	<b>-1.69</b> %	-1.82%	-2.13%			
All Jamaican Composite Index	428,044.57	-7,919.02	-1.82%	-1.26%	-1.61%			
JSE Select Index	9,572.35	-129.03	-1.33%	-1.75%	-2.51%			
Junior Market Index	3,347.13	-29.07	-0.86%	26.62%	33.65%			

BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS								
	ADVANCERS		DECLINERS					
ECL	15.57%		INDIES	-13.51%				
138SL	12.54%		SCIJA	-12.45%				
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Today's combined market activity (excluding preference and deferred shares) resulted in trading of 83 stocks, of which 28 advanced, 49 declined and 6 traded firm.

## **International Markets**

International Equity Markets						Int	ernation	al Currency	y Market	
Index	2-0	Dec	<b>DoD % A</b>	<b>YTD%</b> $\Delta$	<b>ΥοΥ%</b> Δ	Currency	2-Dec	<b>DoD % A</b>	<b>YTD% Δ</b>	<b>ΥοΥ%</b> Δ
S&P 500	4,57	7.10	1.42%	21.86%	24.75%	Gurrency	1000			TOT N A
Dow Jones	34,6	39.79	1.82%	13.18%	15.91%	EUR: USD	1.13	-0.18%	-7.50%	<b>-6.73</b> %
FTSE All Share	4,06	3.89	-0.62%	10.62%	11.30%	GBP: USD	1.33	0.17%	<b>-2.69</b> %	-0.47%
Euro Stoxx 50	4,10	8.02	-1.70%	15.63%	16.66%		1.20	0.00%	0 ( 49/	0.07%
Nikkei 225	27,7	53.37	-0.65%	1.13%	3.55%	USD: CAD	1.28	-0.09%	0.64%	-0.87%
MSCI World Index	729	9.85	0.72%	12.93%	16.54%	USD: JPY	113.17	0.35%	9.61%	8.38%
	Glo	bal In	terest Rate	es			Co	ommoditie	5	
Rates		2-Dec	: DoD ∆bp	s YTD Abps	YoY ∆bps	Commodity	2-Dec	<b>DoD % A</b>	YTD% $\Delta$	<b>ΥοΥ%</b> Δ
10 -Year US Treasury	Bond	1.44%	4.06	53.11	50.83	Crude Oil	66.97	2.14%	38.03%	47.90%
		0.81%	-0.90	61.40	45.70	Gold	1,768.73	-0.73%	-6.83%	-3.42%
10-Year UK Gilt						Silver	22.40	0.37%	-15.17%	-7.07%
GOJ 2025 Global Bor	nd	4.03%	-0.90	57.70	17.20	Aluminium	2,600.00	-2.42%	31.35%	26.52%

Sources: Bloomberg, Reuters, Jamaica Stock Exchange, Bank of Jamaica, Jamaica Observer, Jamaica Gleaner, Nasdaq, Investing.com

Mutual Funds

## **JN MUTUAL FUNDS**

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Yield

12 Months YTD Growth (Estimated Yearly **JN Mutual Funds NAV Price Growth Rate** Rate Income) **Global Diversified Income** \$13.9292 1.47% 0.64% 2.14% **Global Equity** \$15.3899 2.98% 2.22% 0.00% **Global Fixed Income** \$13.2298 4.10% 4.53% 4.85% Global Money Market (US\$) 3.51% 3.19% US\$10.9568 2.44% Global Fixed Income (US\$) US\$11.2898 4.81% 2.51% 3.15% Local Money Market \$11.5748 4.78% 4.93% 4.26% **Global Money Market Local Money Market Global Diversified Global Fixed Income Funds Global Equity Fund** Fund Fund Income Fund To preserve capital whilst To preserve capital whilst To achieve an attractive total To provide long-term To provide long-term capital Objective providing US dollar (US\$) providing Jamaican Dollar return through capital injection and investment growth through growth and risk exposure to a diversified diversification. money market returns (|\$) money market returns income growth. This is offered through two separate Funds: range of asset classes. (i) A Jamaican dollar (J\$) and (ii) A US dollar (US\$) fund. To invest in local and global To invest in fixed income, Strategy To invest in local and global To invest in regional, sovereign To invest in the shares of money market instruments money market instruments debt securities, local and high dividend yielding stocks, local and international REITs and structured products for safety, liquidity and for safety and liquidity and international corporate bonds. companies which offer yield yield. strong growth possibilities and consistent income

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