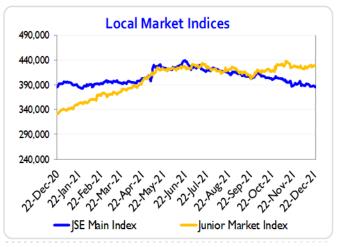
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US Third Quarter GDP Revised Upward to 2.3%

The United States (US) Gross Domestic Product (GDP) for the third quarter of 2021 (July to September), was 2.3%, up from the 2.1% second estimate. This estimate was higher than market expectations for no change at 2.1% but remained lower than the 6.7% growth recorded in the previous quarter. The updated expansion primarily reflects upward revisions to personal consumption expenditures (PCE) and private inventory investment and partly offset by a downward revision to exports. Imports, which are a subtraction in the calculation of GDP, were revised down. The increase in private inventory investment reflected increases in wholesale trade, led by nondurable goods industries, and in retail trade, led by motor vehicles and parts dealers. Within services, increases were widespread, with the largest contributions coming from "other" services (mainly international travel) and transportation services. The decrease in goods primarily reflected a decline in spending on motor vehicles and parts.

The third-quarter real GDP advance estimated growth rate in the United States was the slowest since the first quarter of 2020, before the pandemic. Notwithstanding, growth is still being forecasted for the fourth quarter. However, given that the fast-spreading Omicron variant emerged in the last week of November, the question now is how much this will slow the US economy in the last weeks of 2021 and into the first quarter of the New Year.



Foreign Exchange Market

Currency	22-Dec	21-Dec	DoD % Δ	YTD% Δ
USD:JMD	154.74	154.67	0.05%	8.48%
GBP:JMD	206.77	207.16	-0.19%	6.8 %
CAD:JMD	120.27	119.65	0.52%	8.0%

Caribbean & Latam

 Latin American currencies firmed against the dollar on Wednesday, while the region's stock markets were mixed as investors assessed economic risks from the fast-spreading Omicron variant of coronavirus.

USA & Canada

 The Conference Board released a report on Wednesday showing U.S. consumer confidence improved by much more than expected in the month of December.

Europe

 European equities edged slightly higher on Wednesday, with markets optimistic that the Omicron coronavirus variant would only have a limited economic fallout, even as global cases surged and more countries announced restrictions.

<u>Asia</u>

 Asian share markets were broadly up on Wednesday as the risk appetite of global investors rises heading into year-end, despite the surging number of Omicron COVID-19 variant cases around the world.

10-Year UK Gilt

GOI 2025 Global Bond

4.06%

-4.80

60.70

Local Equity Market								
Stock Index	Today's close	DoD Δ	DoD% Δ	YTD % Δ	ΥοΥ% Δ			
JSE Combined Index	391,052.58	-516.07	-0.13%	-0.35%	2.28%			
JSE Index	385,698.46	-676.11	-0.17%	-2.51%	0.05%			
All Jamaican Composite Index	426,641.23	-382.47	-0.09%	-1.59%	1.02%			
JSE Select Index	9,605.11	-26.32	-0.27%	-1.41%	1.84%			
Junior Market Index	3,389.66	11.26	0.33%	28.23%	31.96%			

BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS							
	ADVANCERS	DECLINERS					
TJHUSD	18.31%		XFUND	-12.97%			
CAC	10.00%		PURITY	-10.45%			
ISP	10.00%		SOS	-8.11%			

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference and deferred shares) resulted in trading of **89** stocks, of which **44** advanced, **33** declined and **12** traded firm.

International Markets

In	iterna	tional E	quity Mar	kets		Int	ernationa	al Currency	y Market	
Index	22-	Dec	DoD % A	YTD% 🛆	ΥοΥ% Δ	Currency	22-Dec	DoD % Δ	YTD% Δ	ΥοΥ% Δ
S&P 500	4,69	96.56	I.02%	25.04%	27.37%					
Dow Jones	35,7	53.89	0.74%	16.82%	19.12%	EUR: USD	1.1333	0.43%	-7.23%	-6.82 %
FTSE All Share	4,17	3.84	0.70%	13.62%	14.36%	GBP: USD	1.34	0.75%	-2.25%	0.01%
Euro Stoxx 50	4,21	7.06	1.01%	18.70%	20.57%	USD: CAD	1.28	-0.60%	0.87%	-0.56%
Nikkei 225	28,5	62.21	0.16%	4.07%	8.04%	USD: CAD	1.20	-0.00%	0.07%	-0.30%
MSCI World Index	74	3.76	1.00%	15.09%	17.38%	USD: JPY	114.12	0.02%	10.53%	10.11%
	Glo	obal Int	erest Rate	s			Co	mmodities	5	
Rates		22-Dec	DoD Abp	s YTD Abps	YoY ∆bps	Commodity	/ 22-Dec	DoD % A	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ
10 -Year US Treasury	Bond	1.45%	-0.85	54.00	53.68	Crude Oil	72.93	2.54%	50.31%	55.10%
		0.89%	1.30	68.90	70.30	Gold	1,803.73	0.81%	-4.98 %	-3.07%

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

54.20

Silver

Aluminium

22.81

2,824.50

1.28%

2.56%

-13.62%

42.69%

-9.45%

41.54%



JN MUTUAL FUNDS

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December 21, 2021

JN Mutual Funds		NAV Pri	ce	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)	
Global Diversified Income		e J\$13.918	86	l.99%	0.56%	2.18%	
Global	Equity	J\$15.189	95	3.33%	0.89%	0.00%	
Global Fixed Income		J\$13.266	60	4.80%	4.81%	4.82%	
Global Money Market (US\$)		S\$) US\$10.97	775	3.48%	3.38%	2.43%	
Global Fixed Income (US\$)		\$) US\$11.32	272	3.20%	2.85%	3.14%	
Local Money Market		J\$11.572	25	4.79%	4.91%	4.24%	
	Global Money Market Fund	Local Money Market Fund	í (10b)		Global Diversified Income Fund	Global Equity Fund	
Objective	To preserve capital whilst providing US dollar (US\$) money market returns	To preserve capital whilst providing Jamaican Dollar (J\$) money market returns	return incon throu (i) A J	thieve an attractive total n through capital injection and ne growth. This is offered gh two separate Funds: amaican dollar (J\$) and US dollar (US\$) fund.	To provide long-term investment growth throug exposure to a diversified range of asset classes.	To provide long-term capital growth and risk diversification.	
Strategy	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	debt	vest in regional, sovereign securities, local and national corporate bonds.	To invest in fixed income, high dividend yielding stoc REITs and structured prod	ks, local and international	

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