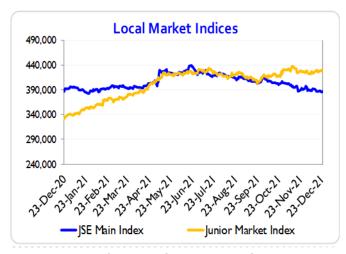


US Durable Goods Orders Increased in November

According to the United States (US) Census Bureau, new orders for manufactured durable goods rose by 2.5% in November which was above market expectations for a 1.5% increase and was higher than the upward revision of October's data of 0.1%. November's increase was mainly attributable to the transportation equipment segment, which was up by 6.5% after falling by 0.3% in October. Meanwhile, shipments for durable goods increased by 0.7% in November which was lower than the 1.7% rise recorded in October. New orders for manufactured durable goods and shipments, excluding transportation, increased by 0.8% and 0.5% respectively. New orders for capital goods increased by 5.5%, while shipments rose by 0.4%. Core capital goods which exclude volatile sectors like transportation and defense, declined 0.1% in November, the first time since February.

Given the strong demand which exists as economies reopen, businesses could continue to ramp up investment in 2022. However, given the emergence of the new Omicron variant, businesses and capital expenditure plans are highly uncertain for the first weeks of the year. As a result, we anticipate that new orders could be constrained during this period.



Foreign Exchange Market

Currency	23-Dec	22-Dec	DoD % Δ	YTD% Δ
USD:JMD	154.61	154.74	-0.09%	8.38%
GBP:JMD	206.68	206.77	-0.04%	6.7%
CAD:JMD	120.67	120.27	0.33%	8.3%

Caribbean & Latam

 Latin American stocks joined a global rally on Thursday as investors cheered signs that the Omicron variant may not be as severe as feared, while the Mexican peso hit a more than one-month high versus the dollar.

USA & Canada

 First-time claims for U.S. unemployment benefits came in flat in the week ended December 18th, according to a report released by the Labor Department on Thursday.

Europe

 European shares hit a two-week high on Thursday as investor sentiment improved on signs the impact of the Omicron coronavirus variant may not be as severe as feared.

Asia

 A global share rally continued in Asian trading on Thursday and the safe haven dollar slid as markets welcomed signs that the Omicron variant of COVID-19 might be less severe than feared, as well as robust U.S. economic data.

Local Equity Market

Stock Index	Today's close	DoD Δ	DoD% ∆	YTD % ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ
JSE Combined Index	391,534.44	481.86	0.12%	-0.23%	1.99%
JSE Index	386,440.38	741.92	0.19%	-2.32%	-0.20%
All Jamaican Composite Index	427,418.38	777.15	0.18%	-1.41%	0.75%
JSE Select Index	9,611.48	6.37	0.07%	-1.35%	0.94%
Junior Market Index	3,368.74	-20.92	-0.62%	27.44%	31.25%

BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS					
ADVANCERS DECLINERS					
XFUND	25.99%		TJHUSD	-14.29%	
138 S L	7.32%		HONBUN	-13.82%	
AFS	7.16%		СРЈ	-11.51%	4

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference and deferred shares) resulted in trading of 83 stocks, of which 34 advanced, 37 declined and 12 traded firm.

International Markets

International Equity Markets						
Index	23-Dec	DoD % Δ	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ % Δ		
S&P 500	4,734.09	0.80%	26.04%	28.29%		
Dow Jones	36,021.85	0.75%	17.69%	19.56%		
FTSE All Share	4,194.71	0.50%	14.18%	13.95%		
Euro Stoxx 50	4,265.86	1.16%	20.08%	20.53%		
Nikkei 225	28,798.37	0.83%	4.93%	8.57%		
MSCI World Index	748.95	0.76%	15.89%	17.76%		

International Currency Market						
Currency	23-Dec	DoD % A	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ % Δ		
EUR: USD	1.1335	0.08%	-7.21%	-6.99%		
GBP: USD	1.34	0.46%	-1.87%	-0.59%		
USD: CAD	1.28	-0.20%	0.67%	-0.30%		
USD: JPY	114.42	0.28%	10.82%	10.48%		

Global Interest Rates						
Rates	23-Dec	DoD ∆bps	YTD ∆bps	YoY ∆bps		
10 -Year US Treasury Bond	1.49%	4.12	57.95	54.97		
10-Year UK Gilt	0.92%	3.60	72.50	63.60		
GOI 2025 Global Bond	4.04%	-2.20	58.50	58.50		

Commodities							
Commodity	23-Dec	DoD % Δ	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ % Δ			
Crude Oil	73.89	1.55%	52.29%	53.55%			
Gold	1,808.14	0.25%	-4.75%	-3.46%			
Silver	22.88	0.30%	-13.34%	-10.42%			
Aluminium	2,824.50	0.00%	42.69%	40.80%			

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



JN MUTUAL FUNDS



December 22, 2021

JN Mutual Funds		NAV Pri	ice	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield Estimated Yearly Income)	
Global Diversified Income		e J\$13.89	65	1.68%	0.40%	2.24%	
Global	Equity	J\$15.15	10	3.21%	0.63%	0.00%	
Global	Fixed Income	J\$13.26	63	4.72%	4.82%	4.83%	
Global	Money Market (U	S\$) US\$10.97	785	3.49%	3.39%	2.44%	
Global Fixed Income (US\$)		\$) US\$11.32	270	3.23%	2.85%	3.12%	
Local Money Market		J\$11.57	78	4.85%	4.96%	4.28%	
Global Money Market Local Money Marke		Local Money Market Fund	Glob	al Fixed Income Funds	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	returr incom throu (i) A J	hieve 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 through exposure to a diversified range of asset classes.	To provide long-term capita 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 s	vest in regional, sovereign securities, local and national corporate bonds.	To invest in fixed income, high dividend yielding stocks REITs and structured produc		

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