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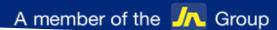
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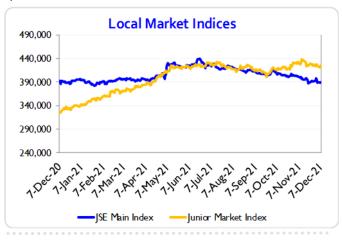




# **US Job Growth Falls Below Market Expectations in November 2021**

The United States (US) Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) reported a 210,000 increase in non-farm payroll in November 2021, which was lower than the revised 546,000 job gain in October and below market forecasts for 550,000 new jobs. Professional and business services added 90,000 jobs; the transportation and warehousing industry added 50,000 jobs, and the construction and manufacturing industry each added 31,000 jobs. However, the overall job gain was tempered by job losses of 20,000 and 25,000 in retail trade and government industries, respectively. Despite only modest employment growth and job losses, the unemployment rate fell by 0.4 percentage points to 4.2% in November, a 21month low.

US non-farm employment has increased by 18.5 million since April 2020 but is still down by 3.9 million or 2.6% from the pre-pandemic level in February 2020. However, the newest and powerful Omicron COVID-19 variant threatens this improvement in the labour market. The new variant adds uncertainty to the short-term economic outlook and threatens to derail the country's growth path. If this new variant becomes more serious, it has the ability to stifle job growth, further disrupt global chains, lead to inflationary pressures, and influence the US Federal Reserve's future monetary policy decisions.



## Foreign Exchange Market

Currency	7-Dec*	6-Dec	DoD % $\Delta$	YTD% ∆
USD:JMD	155.62	155.87	-0.17%	9.09%
GBP:JMD	206.65	205.55	0.53%	6.7%
CAD:JMD	123.18	124.17	-0.80%	10.6%

<sup>\*</sup>Using Midday Rates

#### Caribbean & Latam

Brazil's real and the Chilean peso led gains across Latin American markets on Tuesday as liquidity-boosting measures by China helped support sentiment, while data also showed inflation appeared to be cooling in the two countries.

### **USA & Canada**

Wall Street's main indexes rallied strongly on Tuesday, with the Nasdaq surging 3% as investors piled onto beaten-down quality technology stocks, while Intel jumped after plans to take its self-driving car unit public.

#### **Europe**

European stocks closed on a strong note on Tuesday, extending gains from the previous session, as worries about the impact of the Omicron variant of the coronavirus eased, and data showed a surprisingly strong German industrial output growth in October.

Asian stocks edged higher on Tuesday on receding worries about the impact of the Omicron variant while Chinese markets gained after the central bank there eased monetary poli-

## **Local Equity Market**

Stock Index	Today's close	<b>DoD</b> Δ	DoD% ∆	YTD % ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ
JSE Combined Index	393,910.15	1,041.22	0.27%	0.38%	2.09%
JSE Index	389,095.41	707.19	0.18%	-1.65%	-0.26%
All Jamaican Composite Index	429,828.08	596.89	0.14%	-0.85%	0.54%
JSE Select Index	9,575.18	14.29	0.15%	-1.72%	-0.15%
Junior Market Index	3,359.97	39.13	1.18%	27.11%	34.30%

BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS							
	ADVANCERS			DECLINERS			
CABROKERS	13.60%		PURITY	-18.00%			
sos	11.79%		PROVEN	-7.82%			
MEEG	10.27%		EFRESH	-5.10%	-		

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference and deferred shares) resulted in trading of 77 stocks, of which 43 advanced, 24 declined and 10 traded firm.

#### **International Markets**

International Equity Markets					International Currency Market				
Index	7-Dec	DoD % $\Delta$	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ	Currency	7-Dec	DoD % ∧	<b>YTD%</b> ∧	
S&P 500	4,684.58	2.02%	24.72%	26.89%	Currency	7-500	<b>DOD</b> 70 A	110% 4	
Dow Jones	35,742.05	1.46%	16.78%	18.86%	EUR: USD	1.1259	-0.23%	-7.83%	
FTSE All Share	4,178.76	1.49%	13.75%	13.07%	GBP: USD	1.32	-0.20%	-3.16%	
Euro Stoxx 50	4,276.20	3.36%	20.37%	21.14%	USD: CAD	1.27	-0.78%	-0.54%	
Nikkei 225	28,455.60	1.89%	3.69%	7.19%	OSD: CAD	1.27	-0.78%	-0.54%	
MSCI World Index	745.48	2.14%	15.35%	17.87%	USD: JPY	113.61	0.11%	10.03%	

Global Interest Rates					Commodities				
Rates	7-Dec	DoD ∆bps	YTD ∆bps	YoY ∆bps	Commodity	7-Dec	DoD % $\Delta$	YTD% ∆	<b>ΥοΥ</b> % Δ
10 -Year US Treasury Bond	1.48%	4.26	56.36	55.40	Crude Oil	71.98	3.58%	48.35%	57.30%
10.37	0.73%	-0.80	53.30	44.70	Gold	1,784.59	0.33%	-5.99%	-4.19%
10-Year UK Gilt				Silver	22.52	0.61%	-14.69%	-8.01%	
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	3.97%	-3.10	52.20	32.30	Aluminium	2,628.50	1.56%	32.79%	30.32%

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



# **JN MUTUAL FUNDS**



December 6, 2021

JN Mutual Funds		NAV Pri	ice	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)	
Global Diversified Income		e J\$13.92	58	0.91%	0.61%	2.14%	
Global	Equity	J\$15.22	17	1.11%	1.10%	0.00%	
Global	Fixed Income	J\$13.23	15	4.28%	4.54%	4.85%	
Global	Money Market (U	<b>S\$)</b> US\$10.9	62 I	3.52%	3.24%	2.44%	
Global Fixed Income (US\$)		\$) US\$11.30	089	4.55%	2.68%	3.15%	
Local Money Market		J\$11.57	J\$11.5767		4.90%	4.26%	
	Global Money Market Fund	Local Money Market Fund		oal 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	viding Jamaican Dollar return		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 :	nvest in regional, sovereign securities, local and national corporate bonds.	To invest in fixed income, high dividend yielding stock: REITs and structured produc		

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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