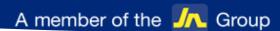
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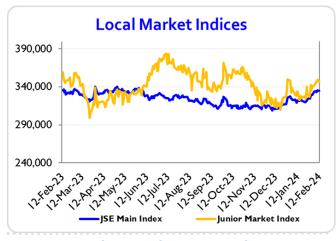




# Mixed US consumer price revisions leave slowing inflation trend intact

The United States (US) monthly consumer prices rose less than initially thought in December, but the overall inflation revisions were mixed, and did not shift expectations on the timing of an anticipated interest rate cut from the Federal Reserve this year. The annual revisions published by the Labor Department also showed the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increasing slightly more than previously reported in October and November. Prices excluding the volatile food and energy components were unrevised, after rounding, from October through December. All told, the revisions did not materially alter the path of inflation, which is moderating after surging in 2022.

The CPI rose by 0.2% in December instead of 0.3% as reported last month, the revisions of the CPI data published by the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) showed. But data for November was to show the CPI increasing by 0.2% rather than 0.1% as previously estimated. The CPI gained 0.1% in October. Prices were previously reported to have been unchanged in October. The three -month annualized increase in the CPI was revised up to a 1.9% rate from a 1.8% pace. The revisions emanated from the recalculation of seasonal adjustment factors, the model used by the government to strip out seasonal fluctuations from the data. This routine procedure, which the BLS undertakes every year, covered data from January 2019 through December 2023. The year-on-year data, which is not seasonally adjusted, was unrevised.



### Foreign Exchange Market

Currency	12-Feb	9-Feb	DoD % $\Delta$	YTD% $\Delta$
USD:JMD	157.47	157.51	-0.02%	1.63%
GBP:JMD	198.11	199.93	-0.91%	0.32%
CAD:JMD	117.46	117.41	0.04%	-0.37%

#### Caribbean & Latam

 Mexican headline inflation should stabilize and return to a downward trend, the governor of the Bank of Mexico, Victoria Rodriguez, said in an interview with El Financiero published on Monday.

#### **USA & Canada**

 The benchmark S&P 500 index advanced slightly on Thursday but traded close to the 5,000-point milestone, as investors reacted to earnings reports, a roughly in-line jobs report and remarks from policymakers on interest rate cuts.

### **Europe**

 Euro zone bond yields fell on Monday after rising sharply last week, with dovish comments from a European Central Bank (ECB) official helping sooth the market.

#### **Asia**

 New bank loans in China jumped by more than expected to an alltime high in January, as the central bank moved to shore up the sputtering economy, reinforcing expectations for more stimulus in the coming months.

### **Local Equity Market**

Stock Index	Today's close	DoD $\Delta$	DoD% ∆	YTD % ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ
JSE Combined Index	347,546.01	-563.01	-0.16%	2.47%	-0.24%
JSE Index	334,783.44	-467.96	-0.14%	2.79%	-0.11%
All Jamaican Composite Index	370,745.49	-775.69	-0.21%	1.02%	-2.28%
JSE Select Index	8,250.76	11.12	0.13%	1.61%	0.14%
Junior Market Index	3,833.36	-14.17	-0.37%	-0.39%	-1.57%

BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS							
ADVANCERS DECLINERS							
SALF	10.93%	<b></b>	VMIL	-12.81%			
BRG	8.35%		SILUS	-8.00%			
TROPICAL	6.72%		EPLY	-6.49%			

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference and deferred shares) resulted in trading of **93** stocks, of which **33** advanced, **45** declined and **15** traded firm.

### **International Markets**

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Index	I2-Feb	DoD % $\Delta$	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ	Currency	12-Feb	DoD % ∆	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ
S&P 500	5,021.92	-0.09%	5.29%	21.38%	EUR: USD	1.0773	-0.10%	-2.41%	0.47%
Dow Jones	38,797.38	0.33%	2.94%	13.29%	GBP: USD	1.24	0.030/	0.700/	4.0.40/
FTSE All Share	4,141.81	0.12%	-2.13%	-4.69%	GBF: USD	1.26	0.02%	-0.79%	4.04%
Euro Stoxx 50	4,746.35	0.65%	4.97%	11.91%	USD: CAD	1.35	-0.05%	1.59%	0.91%
Nikkei 225	36,897.42	0.00%	28.15%	34.53%	USD: IPY	149.31	0.01%	5.86%	12.75%
MSCI World Index	748.36	0.06%	2.94%	14.73%	- · · · ·				

Global Interest Rates					Commodities				
Rates	12-Feb	DoD ∆bps	YTD ∆bps	YoY ∆bps	Commodity	12-Feb	DoD % $\Delta$	YTD% ∆	<b>YoY</b> % ∆
10 -Year US Treasury Bond	4.17%	-1.00	29.00	47.00	Crude Oil	77.02	0.23%	7.49%	-3.89%
	4.06%	-3.00	52.00	66.00	Gold	2,020.23	-0.20%	-2.07%	9.00%
10-Year UK Gilt					Silver	22.69	0.34%	-4.64%	3.18%
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	6.56%	1.00	252.00	-16.00	Aluminium	2,227.00	0.50%	-6.59%	-7.69%



## **JN MUTUAL FUNDS**



February 9, 2024

JN Mutual Funds	NAV Price	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)
Global Diversified Income	J\$13.5982	5.66%	0.89%	3.06%
Global Equity	J\$14.6008	2.42%	1.01%	0.00%
Global Fixed Income	J\$15.1509	9.14%	1.31%	7.20%
Global Money Market (US\$)	US\$11.5941	1.40%	0.39%	3.50%
Global Fixed Income (US\$)	US\$11.5016	0.01%	0.40%	3.29%
Local Money Market	J\$13.2248	8.67%	1.44%	7.38%

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