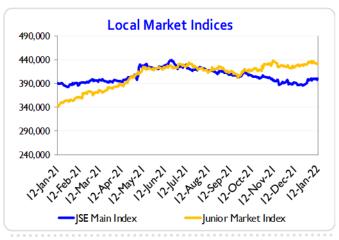


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US 12-Month Inflation increased to 7.0% in December

The United States (US) Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) today, reported that inflation increased by 0.5% month-over-month in December and 7.0% when compared with December 2020. This marked the sixth time in the last nine months, inflation rose by 0.5% month-over-month and the largest 12-month increase since 1982. Price increases in housing and used cars and trucks were the largest contributors to the inflation rate, with 0.4% and 3.5% increases in price compared with the previous month, respectively. Food prices also continued to increase, though the 0.5% jump in prices is not as high as increases seen in previous months.

The disruptions to the global supply chain caused by the COVID-19 pandemic are still impacting shortages and driving up prices of goods, from cars to food items and furniture. Today's inflation report shows the 12-month CPI rising to an almost 40-year high. Although it was not unexpected, the inflation data add fuel to argument that the US Federal Reserve may need to move faster than originally thought, to get ahead of inflation expectations, with more aggressive rate hikes starting as early as in March 2022.



Foreign Exchange Market

Currency	I2-Jan	l I-Jan	DoD % Δ	ΥΤΟ% Δ
USD:JMD	155.39	155.13	0.16%	0.19%
GBP:JMD	211.29	211.56	-0.13%	0.5%
CAD:JMD	123.79	123.04	0.62%	0.8%

Caribbean & Latam

 Most Latin American currencies rose on Wednesday as hopes of more stimulus in China drove up commodity prices, while the dollar slumped after U.S. inflation data came in as expected.

USA & Canada

 U.S. stock indexes rose on Wednesday after consumer prices data that largely met expectations eased some concerns about faster-than-expected interest rate hikes, with megacap technology stocks offering the biggest boost.

Europe

 European stocks are seen opening a tad higher on Wednesday after data showed China's consumer and factory-gate inflation growth both eased last month, giving policymakers scope to cut interest rates.

<u>Asia</u>

 Most of emerging Asia's stocks and currencies rose on Wednesday after the Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell sounded less hawkish than expected overnight, with the South Korean won jumping for a third day on growing rate hike bets.

Local Equity Market

Stock Index	Today's close	DoD Δ	DoD% ∆	YTD % ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ
JSE Combined Index	405,142.75	3,172.17	0.79%	1.00%	4.51%
JSE Index	400,565.67	3,210.20	0.81%	1.11%	2.64%
All Jamaican Composite Index	443,165.13	2,908.68	0.66%	1.10%	3.59%
JSE Select Index	10,003.34	102.50	1.04%	1.22%	4.67%
Junior Market Index	3,420.49	19.83	0.58%	-0.23%	28.76%

	BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS					
ADVANCERS DECLINERS						
AMG	15.97%		KREMI	-8.38%		
ROC	14.84%		VMIL	-6.43%		
MTL	9.79%		MEEG	-5.92%		

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference and deferred shares) resulted in trading of **86** stocks, of which **40** advanced, **29** declined and **17** traded firm.

International Markets

International Equity Markets						
Index	12-Jan	DoD % Δ	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ		
S&P 500	4,726.43	0.28%	-0.83%	24.34%		
Dow Jones	36,290.32	0.11%	-0.13%	16.81%		
FTSE All Share	4,270.79	0.68%	1.49%	11.93%		
Euro Stoxx 50	4,316.39	0.81%	0.42%	19.50%		
Nikkei 225	28,765.66	1.92%	4.82%	2.14%		
MSCI World Index	754.07	0.86%	-0.10%	14.31%		

International Currency Market						
Currency	12-Jan	DoD % A	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ % Δ		
EUR: USD	1.1449	0.72%	0.69%	-6.21%		
GBP: USD	1.37	0.55%	1.32%	0.34%		
USD: CAD	1.25	-0.58%	-1.07%	-1.64%		
USD: JPY	114.54	-0.66%	-0.47%	10.39%		

Global Interest Rates						
Rates	I 2-Jan	DoD ∆bps	YTD ∆bps	YoY ∆bps		
10 -Year US Treasury Bond	1.73%	-0.17	22.39	60.49		
10-Year UK Gilt	1.14%	-3.00	16.90	78.80		
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	4.08%	-1.40	63.30	24.70		

Commodities						
Commodity	I 2-Jan	DoD % Δ	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ % Δ		
Crude Oil	82.75	1.88%	10.03%	55.52%		
Gold	1,827.21	0.31%	-0.11%	-1.49%		
Silver	23.20	1.82%	-0.48%	-9.25%		
Aluminium	2,982.50	0.42%	6.23%	47.69%		

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



JN MUTUAL FUNDS



January 7, 2022

JN Mutu	ual Funds	NAV Pri	ce (12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield Estimated Yearly Income)
Global I	Diversified Incom	e J\$14.272	29	3.14%	0.88%	2.18%
Global I	Equity	J\$15.456	66	3.32%	-1.61%	0.00%
Global I	Fixed Income	J\$13.259	94	4.46%	-0.06%	4.82%
Global I	Money Market (U	S\$) US\$10.99	947	3.49%	0.06%	2.43%
Global I	Fixed Income (US	\$) US\$11.32	287	2.92%	-0.11%	3.14%
Local M	loney Market	J\$11.607	70	5.00%	0.19%	4.24%
	Global Money Market Fund	Local Money Market Fund	Global	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	return th income g through t (i) A Jama	ve an attractive total rough capital injection and rowth. This is offered two separate Funds: aican dollar (J\$) and dollar (US\$) fund.	To provide long-term investment growth through 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 secu	t in regional, sovereign urities, local and onal corporate bonds.	To invest in fixed income, high dividend yielding stocks REITs and structured produc	

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