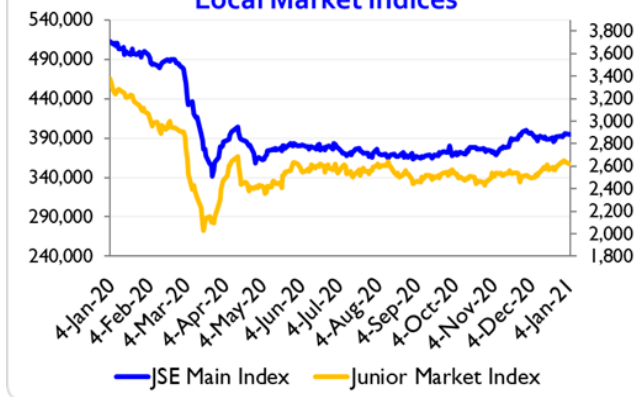


Jamaica's Fiscal Balance Above Budget for April to November 2020

The Government of Jamaica's Central Government Summary Accounts for April to November 2020 shows a fiscal deficit of J\$76.5 billion, which was 5.8% or J\$4.7 billion better than the budgeted deficit of J\$81.2 billion. This "better than budgeted" performance was attributed to a combination of higher-than-expected revenues and lower than budgeted expenditures (above the line). The improved revenues mainly stemmed from higher than anticipated international trade taxes. Expenditures (above the line) declined as a result of reduced recurrent and capital programme expenditure but tempered by the increased interest expense. The primary balance, which is the fiscal balance net of interest (debt) obligations, was reported at J\$5.6 billion and was higher than the budgeted amount by J\$6.1 billion. Below the fiscal line, loan receipts were up 23.6% or J\$30.7 billion above the budget, while amortization was generally in line.

Entering 2020, Jamaica had reported fiscal surpluses in more than 10 consecutive quarters, record low unemployment, high level of Net International Reserves, record low interest rates and overall a solid macro-economic position. However, the emergence of the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in a negative impact on business activities, particularly the services sector, and have led to substantial drop in the government's revenue collections. As a result, the fiscal year's budget was revised and the debt to gross domestic product (GDP) target of 60% was delayed by two years. The recent heavy rains and associated floods, which have damaged many homes and destroyed many roads are also likely to be reflected in increased spending over the ensuing months and will put further strain on Jamaica's fiscal situation. Nonetheless, the relatively strong fiscal position in which Jamaica entered 2020 puts it in a good position to weather the short-term economic shocks triggered by the COVID-19 pandemic and the recent natural disaster, even to this point.

Local Market Indices



Foreign Exchange Market

Currency	4-Jan	31-Dec	DoD % Δ	YTD % Δ
USD:JMD	142.68	142.65	0.02%	7.63%
GBP:JMD	193.17	193.67	-0.25%	12.6%
CAD:JMD	110.93	111.41	-0.43%	10.8%

Caribbean & Latam

- Chile's peso outpaced its peers on Monday after economic activity was seen expanding in November, while other Latin American stocks and currencies marked a strong start to 2021 on optimism over an economic recovery.

USA & Canada

- A global stock index fell on Monday, the first trading day of the new year, pulling back after recent gains to record highs, and the U.S. dollar was near flat.

Europe

- European shares rallied in the first trading session of the year on Monday, as a landmark Brexit trade deal and coronavirus vaccination campaigns across the continent bolstered expectations of a strong economic rebound.

Asia

- Emerging Asia's currencies began the new year on the front foot as investors bet that a vaccine-led recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic would keep the dollar subdued, with the Indonesian rupiah climbing to a more than six-month high.

Local Equity Market

Stock Index	Today's close	DoD Δ	DoD % Δ	YTD % Δ	YoY % Δ
JSE Combined Index	391,239.10	-1,196.82	-0.31%	-22.33%	-22.33%
JSE Index	394,583.57	-1,031.36	-0.26%	-22.42%	-22.42%
All Jamaican Composite Index	432,445.60	-1,075.49	-0.25%	-22.57%	-22.57%
JSE Select Index	9,693.61	-49.18	-0.50%	-25.43%	-25.43%
Junior Market Index	2,620.19	-23.19	-0.88%	-21.07%	-21.07%

BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS

ADVANCERS		DECLINERS	
KLE	14.78%	CHL	-14.34%
FIRSTROCKUSD	14.32%	AFS	-12.09%
ROC	10.53%	EPLY	-10.25%

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference and deferred shares) resulted in trading of 81 stocks, of which 36 advanced, 35 declined and 10 traded firm.

International Markets

International Equity Markets					International Currency Market				
Index	4-Jan	DoD % Δ	YTD % Δ	YoY % Δ	Currency	4-Jan	DoD % Δ	YTD % Δ	YoY % Δ
S&P 500	3,700.65	-1.48%	-1.48%	14.40%	EUR: USD	1.2252	0.29%	0.29%	9.78%
Dow Jones	30,223.89	-1.25%	-1.25%	5.55%	GBP: USD	1.357	-0.73%	-0.73%	3.72%
FTSE All Share	3,724.50	1.38%	1.38%	-12.07%	USD: CAD	1.2778	0.42%	0.42%	-1.72%
Euro Stoxx 50	3,564.39	0.33%	0.33%	-5.54%	USD: JPY	103.15	-0.10%	-0.10%	-4.57%
Nikkei 225	27,258.38	-0.68%	-0.68%	15.23%					
MSCI World Index	646.30	0.00%	0.00%	14.03%					
Global Interest Rates					Commodities				
Rates	4-Jan	DoD Δbps	YTD Δbps	YoY Δbps	Commodity	4-Jan	DoD % Δ	YTD % Δ	YoY % Δ
10 -Year US Treasury Bond	0.91%	0.00	0.00	-88.00	Crude Oil	47.36	-2.39%	-2.39%	-24.89%
10-Year UK Gilt	0.17%	-3.00	-3.00	-57.00	Gold	1,942.86	2.34%	2.34%	25.17%
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	3.45%	0.00	0.00	-38.00	Silver	27.23	3.15%	3.15%	50.79%
					Aluminium	2,031.50	2.63%	2.63%	11.38%



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JN MUTUAL FUNDS

December 31, 2020

JN Mutual Funds	NAV Price	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)
Global Diversified Income	J\$13.8411	-5.21%	-5.21%	2.26%
Global Equity	J\$15.0559	-16.73%	-16.73%	0.00%
Global Fixed Income	J\$12.6568	5.62%	5.62%	5.21%
Global Money Market (US\$)	US\$10.6183	3.45%	3.45%	3.73%
Global Fixed Income (US\$)	US\$11.0135	6.55%	6.55%	4.76%
Local Money Market	J\$11.0306	3.69%	3.69%	4.22%

	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	To achieve an attractive total return through capital injection and income growth. This is offered through two separate Funds: (i) A Jamaican dollar (J\$) and (ii) A US 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	To invest in regional, sovereign debt securities, local and international corporate bonds.	To invest in fixed income, high dividend yielding stocks, REITs and structured products	To invest in the shares of local and international companies which offer strong growth possibilities and consistent income

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