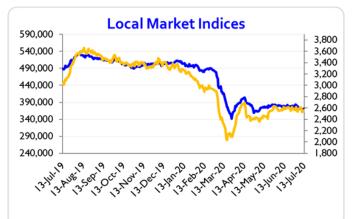
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# Jamaica's Inflation Rose by 0.1% in May 2020

According to the Statistical Institute of Jamaica (STATIN), Jamaica's inflation for May 2020 was 0.1% which was below the 0.2% increase recorded in April 2020. Data for both months reflect the new Consumer Price Index series using the 2017 household expenditure survey with a base price reference period of calendar year 2019. The increase in inflation for May was largely due to a 1.1% increase in the heavily weighted 'Food and Non-Alcoholic Beverages' division which rose mostly as a result of higher prices for agricultural produce such as cabbage, lettuce, and potato. The 'Housing, Water, and Electricity, Gas and Other Fuels' division also contributed to the increase in inflation with an increase of 1.5%, mainly due to higher electricity rates. However, the overall increase in May was tempered by declines in the 'Education' and 'Transport' divisions, which declined by 22.1% and 0.3%, respectively. Jamaica's inflation rate for the fiscal year-to-date and the calendar year-to-date was 0.1% and 1.7% respectively.

We believe that the usual drought-like conditions, experienced around this time of the year, coupled with the increased demand for essential items are likely to result in upward price pressures on key divisions in the upcoming months. However, the uptick in those categories are likely to be moderated by lower gas prices and other non-essential items that are impacted by lower demand as a result of the high unemployment due to COVID-19.



**Foreign Exchange Market DoD** %  $\Delta$ Currency 13-Jul 10-Jul **YTD%**  $\Delta$ USD:JMD 143.85 144.05 -0.14% 8.51% **GBP:JMD** 183.53 183.66 -0.07% 6.9% CAD: JMD 107.65 107.77 -0.11% 7.5%

#### **Caribbean & Latam**

Most currencies in Latin America started the week on the back foot amid increasing coronavirus cases in the region, while the Chilean peso rose ahead of a policy meeting later in the week.

#### USA & Canada

The S&P 500 and Nasdag ended lower on Monday, pulled down by Amazon, Microsoft and other recent big-name leaders of Wall Street's recent rally.

#### Europe

European shares rose on Monday as progress on a possible COVID-19 vaccine, some upbeat earnings reports and stimulus talks fed into hopes of an economic recovery from the coronavirus-induced downturn.

#### Asia

The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has revised downwards its growth projections for the Middle East and Central Asia as economies were hurt worse than expected by the double blow of lower oil prices and the coronavirus crisis.

Local Equity Market							
Stock Index	Today's close	DoD $\Delta$	<b>DoD%</b> $\Delta$	<b>YTD %</b> $\Delta$	<b>ΥοΥ%</b> Δ		
JSE Combined Index	369,329.29	4,055.40	1.11%	-27.70%	-23.18%		
JSE Index	371,524.90	4,127.75	1.12%	- <b>27.95</b> %	-23.60%		
All Jamaican Composite Index	407,095.57	4,442.47	1.10%	-28.08%	-23.76%		
JSE Select Index	9,143.46	56.62	0.62%	-30.45%	-26.69%		
Junior Market Index	2,556.00	23.92	0.94%	-24.39%	-17.43%		
	BEST AND W	ORST PERF	ORMERS				
ADVAI	NCERS		DE	CLINERS			
tTech 14.98	3%	S	ILUS	-13.04%			
SIL 12.50	0%	САВ	ROKERS	-8.64%			
CFF 9.52	%	II	NDIES	-6.76%			

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference shares) resulted in trading of **76** stocks, of which 41 advanced, 26 declined and 9 traded firm.

## **International Markets**

Ir	nternat	ional	Equity Ma	rkets		Int	ernation	al Currency	y Market	
Index	3-J	ul	<b>DoD % A</b>	<b>YTD%</b> $\Delta$	<b>ΥοΥ%</b> Δ	Currency	l 3-Jul	<b>DoD %</b> Δ	<b>YTD% Δ</b>	ΥοΥ%
S&P 500	3,155	.22	-0.94%	-2.33%	4.69%					Δ
Dow Jones	26,085	5.80	0.04%	-8.59%	-4.56%	EUR: USD	1.1343	0.38%	1.16%	0.65%
FTSE All Share	3,423	.06	I.29%	-18.43%	- <b> 6.4</b>  %	GBP: USD	1.2552	-0.55%	-5.32%	-0.16%
Euro Stoxx 50	3,350	.00	I.63%	-10.55%	-4.22%					
Nikkei 225	22,784	4.74	2.22%	-3.69%	5.07%	USD: CAD	1.3610	0.13%	4.77%	4.47%
MSCI World Index	541.	77	0.61%	-4.15%	2.13%	USD: JPY	107.25	0.30%	-1.25%	-0.61%
	Glob	al Int	erest Rate	s			Co	mmodities	;	
Rates		l 3-Jul	DoD 🛆 br	os YTD ∆bp	os YoY ∆bps	Commodi- ty	13-Jul	<b>DoD % A</b>	<b>YTD% A</b>	<b>ΥοΥ%</b> Δ
10 -Year US Treasury	Bond	0.62%	-2.00	-130.00	-150.00	Crude Oil	39.57	-2.42%	-35.19%	-34.28%
10-Year UK Gilt		0.19%	3.00	-63.00	-65.00	Gold	1,802.56	0.21%	18.80%	27.32%
GOJ 2025 Global Bon	d	4.72%	14.00	87.00	29.00	Silver	19.04	1.72%	6.66%	25.12%
						Aluminium	1,688.50	1.47%	<b>-6.7</b> 1%	-7.33%

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

# Mutual Funds

# **JN MUTUAL FUNDS**

**Fund Managers Ltd.** 

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JN Mutu	ual Funds	NAV Pr	ice	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)	
Global I	Diversified Income	e J\$13.55	545	-2.35%	-7.17%	2.27%	
Global I	Equity	J\$13.98	853	-13.36%	-22.65%	0.00%	
Global I	Fixed Income	J\$12.42	214	5.73%	3.66%	4.70%	
Global I	Money Market (US	<b>5\$)</b> US\$10.4	428	2.85%	1.74%	3.69%	
Global I	Fixed Income (US	<b>\$)</b> US\$10.3	459	0.99%	0.10%	5.20%	
Local M	loney Market	J\$10.84	J\$10.8486		1.98%	3.47%	
	Global Money Market Fund	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	return incom throug (i) A Ja	hieve an attractive total 6 through capital injection and 1e 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 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 s	vest in regional, sovereign ecurities, local and ational corporate bonds.	To invest in fixed income, high dividend yielding stocks REITs and structured produc		

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