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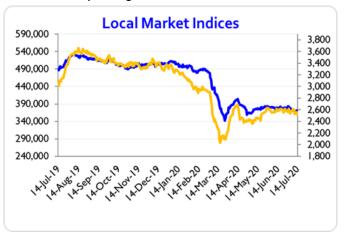
### **US' Inflation Rebounds in June 2020**

According to the US Bureau of Labor Statistics, inflation in June 2020 rose by 0.6% month over month, after falling for three consecutive months. The rebound in June's inflation was the largest gain since August 2012 and was above market expectations for a 0.5% rise. Driving the increase in June's inflation were the higher prices for gasoline and food, up 12.3% and 0.6%, respectively. The 12 months inflation rate also showed an increase of 0.6%. This outturn was largely a result of the 4.5% increase in the heavily weighted index, food, but was significantly reduced by the 12.6% decline in the energy index. Excluding food and energy, the inflation rate for June rose by 0.2% month over month and by 1.2% over the last 12 months.

We believe that inflation in the US may remain subdued in the upcoming months, given the high level of unemployment which exists and the recent rise in new coronavirus cases in many of the more densely populated states. This resurgence in COVID-19 cases, has led some states to either halt their reopening plans or tighten physical distancing measures. To stimulate the economy, the US Federal Reserve is likely to keep its policy rate low, continue its asset purchases and funnel loans to particularly small and medium sized (SME) firms through its various programmes. The US Federal Reserve will hold its next two-day monetary policy meeting on July 28-29, 2020, where they will discuss further steps that may be necessary to stimulate the US economy through these times.

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### Foreign Exchange Market

Currency	14-Jul	13-Jul	DoD % $\Delta$	YTD% $\Delta$
USD:JMD	144.05	143.85	0.14%	8.66%
GBP:JMD	183.20	183.53	-0.18%	6.7%
CAD:JMD	106.37	107.65	-1.20%	6.2%

#### Caribbean & Latam

 Most currencies in Latin America weakened on Tuesday, as a rise in COVID-19 cases globally and a flare-up in U.S.-China tensions kept investors away from riskier bets, even as data showed signs of economic improvement in Brazil.

#### **USA & Canada**

 Wall Street rose on Tuesday, led by energy and materials, as investors looked beyond a recent surge in coronavirus cases and rotated out Amazon and other recent strong performers.

#### **Europe**

 Coronavirus and the end-2020 Brexit deadline have left UK firms facing historic uncertainties, prompting many to find more flexible ways to protect their foreign exchange exposure

 even if these come at a higher initial cost.

#### **Asia**

 Asia's cash discounts for jet fuel narrowed on Tuesday as the contango structure for the prompt month spread tightened, while refining margins for the aviation fuel edged higher on weaker crude prices.

### **Local Equity Market**

Stock Index	Today's close	<b>DoD</b> Δ	DoD% ∆	YTD % ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ
JSE Combined Index	366,023.21	-3,306.08	-0.90%	-27.56%	-24.28%
JSE Index	368,317.40	-3,207.50	-0.86%	-27.77%	-24.81%
All Jamaican Composite Index	403,619.02	-3,476.55	-0.85%	-27.91%	-24.97%
JSE Select Index	9,055.41	-88.05	-0.96%	-30.69%	-27.35%
Junior Market Index	2,522.97	-33.03	-1.29%	-24.66%	-17.01%
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ADVAN	CERS		DE	CLINERS	
CAC 15.00	%		DTL	-12.18%	

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference shares) resulted in trading of **77** stocks, of which **27** advanced, **37** declined and **13** traded firm.

### **International Markets**

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International Equity Markets						
Index	I 4-Jul	DoD % $\Delta$	YTD% ∆	YoY% ∆		
S&P 500	3,197.52	1.34%	-1.03%	6.10%		
Dow Jones	26,642.59	2.13%	-6.64%	-2.52%		
FTSE All Share	3,417.14	-0.17%	-18.57%	-16.55%		
Euro Stoxx 50	3,321.39	-0.85%	-11.31%	-5.04%		
Nikkei 225	22,587.01	-0.87%	-4.52%	4.16%		
MSCI World Index	540.68	-0.20%	-4.35%	1.92%		

9.38%

8.33%

Global Interest Rates						
Rates	I4-Jul	DoD ∆bps	YTD ∆bps	YoY ∆bps		
10 -Year US Treasury Bond	0.62%	0.00	-130.00	-150.00		
10-Year UK Gilt	0.15%	-4.00	-67.00	-69.00		
GOI 2025 Global Bond	4.71%	-1.00	86.00	28.00		

International Currency Market							
Currency	l 4-Jul	DoD % A	YTD% ∆	<b>YοY%</b> Δ			
EUR: USD	1.14	0.49%	1.67%	1.15%			
GBP: USD	1.2553	-0.02%	-5.31%	-0.15%			
USD: CAD	1.3615	0.04%	4.81%	4.51%			
USD: JPY	107.24	-0.05%	-1.26%	-0.62%			

-10.09%

-9.21%

Commodities						
Commodi- ty	l 4-Jul	DoD % $\Delta$	YTD% ∆	<b>YoY</b> % ∆		
Crude Oil	40.47	0.92%	-33.72%	-32.79%		
Gold	1,809.36	0.37%	19.25%	27.80%		
Silver	19.22	0.74%	7.64%	26.26%		
Aluminium	1,690.00	0.09%	-6.63%	-7.24%		

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



## **JN MUTUAL FUNDS**



July 13, 2020

JN Mutu	ual Funds	NAV P	rice	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield Estimated Yearly Income)
Global Diversified Income		J\$13.66	533	-2.00%	-6.43%	2.27%
Global Equity		J\$14.12	264	-13.36%	-21.87%	0.00%
Global I	Fixed Income	J\$12.42	269	5.59%	3.70%	4.70%
Global Money Market (US\$)		<b>5\$)</b> US\$10.4	457	2.87%	1.77%	3.69%
Global Fixed Income (US\$)		US\$10.3	3548	1.13%	0.18%	5.20%
Local M	loney Market	J\$10.85	509	3.35%	2.00%	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	ar return through capital injection and		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	

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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