



Jamaica's Net Remittance Inflows Increased in July 2020

The Bank of Jamaica's (BOJ) Remittances Bulletin for July 2020 shows net remittances inflows increasing by 43.8% or US\$83.7 million to US\$274.7 million compared to the US\$191.0 million recorded in July 2019. This improvement is mainly reflective of an increase in inflows from remittance companies of US\$7.1 million or 43.6% and other remittances of US\$2.3 million or 6.3%, while remittance outflows decreased by US\$4.3 million or 19.2%. The United States of America (USA) remained Jamaica's largest source of remittances in July, followed by Canada, United Kingdom (UK), and the Cayman Islands, with a ratio of 67.0%, 11.1%, 10.8% and 7.3%, respectively. For the April to July period, net remittance inflows increased by 27.0% to close at US\$916.6 million when compared to the US\$722.0 million recorded in the corresponding period of last year.

Jamaica's net remittances has registered an increase year over year despite the deteriorating economic landscape in the countries contributing the lion's share of inflows to Jamaica. It is likely that the ease in lock-down measures and the generous governments' unemployment stimulus in these countries during the period were key drivers to the positive outturn. However, while remittance inflows have been very resilient thus far, the rise in COVID-19 cases continues to pose significant risks to the global economy and Jamaica's future remittance inflows. The ongoing uncertainty surrounding a second fiscal stimulus in the US, could stall recovery and result in higher unemployment levels, lower demand and reduced business activity in that country. This ultimately is a scenario, which we believe is likely to have negative spill over effects on Jamaica. Consequently, our outlook is that Jamaica's remittance inflows is likely to be subdued in subsequent months, based on these uncertainties.



Foreign Exchange Market

Currency	12-Oct*	9-Oct	DoD % Δ	YTD% Δ
USD:JMD	146.69	147.16	-0.32%	10.65%
GBP:JMD	189.50	189.70	-0.10%	10.4%
CAD:JMD	110.63	113.39	-2.44%	10.5%

^{*}Using Midday Rates

Caribbean & Latam

 Mexico's main stock exchange re-opened on Monday, after suspending operations before midday on Friday due to what it said was as an outage in the system used to process trading orders.

USA & Canada

 Global stocks scaled five-week highs on Monday on hopes that more government stimulus was coming and the world economy was on the mend, while the Chinese yuan retreated from a 17-month high after a policy move over the weekend.

Europe

 European shares hit a five-week high on Monday as optimism about a stable economic recovery in China and hopes of more U.S. fiscal stimulus helped offset concerns around surging COVID-19 cases across the continent.

<u>Asia</u>

 Copper touched a three-week high on Monday as demand from top consumer China and the threat of strikes by miners in Chile pushed prices closer to 27-month highs reached in September, though a strengthening yuan limited gains.

Local Equity Market

Today's close	DoD Δ	DoD% ∆	YTD % ∆	YoY% ∆
366,778.40	-1,854.83	-0.50%	-27.41%	-26.60%
369,677.88	-1,717.05	-0.46%	-27.50%	-26.54%
405,428.69	-1,413.26	-0.35%	-27.58%	-26.66%
9,025.23	-14.57	-0.16%	-30.92%	-30.84%
2,476.80	-25.69	-1.03%	-26.04%	-27.26%
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BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS									
ADVANCERS DECLINERS									
CFF	24.86%		MPCCEL	-20.12%					
AMG	15.53%		tTech	-19.06%					
MEEG	15.08%		SSLVC	-16.67%					

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference and deferred shares) resulted in trading of **76** stocks, of which **29** advanced, **38** declined and **9** traded firm.

International Markets

International Equity Markets								
Index	12-Oct	DoD % Δ	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ				
S&P 500	3,534.10	1.64%	9.39%	18.98%				
Dow Jones	28,837.52	0.88%	1.05%	7.54%				
FTSE All Share	3,374.54	-0.11%	-19.59%	-15.47%				
Euro Stoxx 50	3,298.12	0.76%	-11.94%	-7.61%				
Nikkei 225	23,558.69	-0.26%	-0.41%	8.07%				
MSCI World Index	591.64	1.20%	4.67%	13.53%				

International Currency Market										
Currency	12-Oct	DoD % A	YTD% ∆	YoY% Δ						
EUR: USD	1.1813	-0.11%	5.35%	6.98%						
GBP: USD	1.3066	0.23%	-1.44%	3.14%						
USD: CAD	1.3114	-0.05%	0.95%	-0.67%						
USD: JPY	105.35	-0.26%	-3.00%	-2.71%						

Global Interest Rates					Commodities				
Rates	12-Oct	DoD ∆bps	YTD ∆bps	YoY ∆bps	Commodity	I2-Oct	DoD % Δ	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ % Δ
10 -Year US Treasury Bond	0.77%	0.00	-115.00	-96.00	Crude Oil	39.53	-2.64%	-35.26%	-27.73%
10-Year UK Gilt	0.27%	-1.00	-55.00	-44.00	Gold	1,923.11	-0.38%	26.75%	29.15%
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	4.17%	0.00	32.00	15.00	Silver	25.11	-0.17%	40.66%	43.16%
					Aluminium	1,855.50	0.76%	2.51%	7.75%

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



JN MUTUAL FUNDS



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JN Muti	NAV Pı	rice	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)		
Global Diversified Income			522	-4.35%	-7.12%	2.69%	
Global I	Equity	J\$14.05	49	-17.89%	-22.27%	0.00%	
Global I	Fixed Income	J\$12.63	342	6.07%	5.42%	4.71%	
Global I	Money Market (US	S\$) US\$10.5	320	3.24%	2.61%	3.77%	
Global I	Fixed Income (US	US\$10.5	854	2.92%	2.41%	4.89%	
Local Money Market		J\$10.98	354	3.89%	3.26%	4.11%	
	Global Money Market Fund	Local Money Market Fund	Globa	al Fixed Income Funds	Global Diversified Income Fund	Global Equity Fund	
providing US dollar (US\$) providing Jamaican Dollar return the money market returns (J\$) money market returns income a through (i) A Jam		through capital injection and growth. This is offered htwo separate Funds: maican dollar (J\$) and JS 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.	noney market instruments money market instruments debt so or safety, liquidity and international for safety and liquidity and liquidit		est 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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