

## Weekly Market Recap

# Fed delivers expected rate cut; Powell says December rate cut not assured

A divided U.S. Federal Reserve cut interest rates by a quarter of a percentage point on Wednesday and announced it will restart limited purchases of Treasury securities after money markets showed signs that liquidity was becoming scarce, a condition the U.S. central bank has pledged to avoid. The 10-2 decision to lower the policy rate to a range of 3.75%-4.00% was expected by investors as a way for the Fed to temper any further decline in a job market policymakers worry may be losing steam. Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell said on Wednesday that U.S. central bank officials are struggling to reach a consensus about what lies ahead for monetary policy and that financial markets should not assume another interest-rate cut will happen at the end of the year.

The central bank used high rates over recent years to tame the outbreak in post-pandemic inflation, with tight monetary policy helping weigh on price pressures. However, recent rate cuts can be thought of as the Fed taking its foot off the brakes as it becomes more concerned with slowing labor-market dynamics. This does not mean the Fed is stepping on the gas, adding significant stimulus to the economy. Rather, we should think of policy as moving into cruise control, with rates reaching more neutral settings.

Global Equity Indices							
Index	31-Dec	24-Oct	31-0ct	WoW % Δ	YTD% Δ	ΥοΥ% Δ	
S&P 500	5,882	6,792	6,840	0.71%	16.30%	19.89%	
Euro Stoxx 50	4,896	5,675	5,662	-0.22%	15.65%	17.28%	
MXWD Index	841	1,001	1,006	0.49%	19.60%	20.90%	
JSE Index	335,795	323,843	322,821	-0.32%	-3.86%	2.48%	
Junior Market Index	3,735	3,464	3,435	-0.84%	-8.04%	-9.89%	
JSE Combined Index	347,896	334,491	333,305	-0.35%	-4.19%	1.45%	

	Global	Intere	st Rate	es				
Rates	31-0ct	24-Oct	DoD Δ bps	WoW Δ bps	YTD Δ bps	YoY Δ bps		
10 Year US Treasury Bond	4.08%	4.00%	-2.00	8.00	-49.00	-20.00		
10 Year UK Gilt	4.41%	4.43%	-1.00	-2.00	-16.00	-4.00		
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	5.60%	5.03%	1.00	57.00	156.00	-2.00		
5 Year US Treasury Bond	3.69%	3.61%	-3.00	8.00	-69.00	-47.00		
5 Year UK Gilt	3.88%	3.90%	-3.00	-2.00	-47.00	-44.00		
	Money Market Rates							
BoJ 30 day CD	5.94%	5.94%	0.00	0.00	-449.00	-393.00		
BoJ 90 day T-Bill	5.15%	5.20%	0.00	-4.03	-288.60	-305.52		
US 30 day Treasury Bill	3.83%	3.91%	0.00	-8.00	-29.00	-		

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#### **International Currency Market** WoW % DoD % 31-0ct 24-Oct YTD% Δ Currency YoY% Δ EUR: USD 1.1537 -0.77% 11.43% 6.00% 1.163 -0.24% GBP: USD 1.3152 1.33 0.01% -1.19% 5.08% 1.96% USD: CAD 1.401 1.4 0.17% 0.10% -2.60% 0.55% USD: JPY 153.99 152.86 -0.09% 0.74% -2.04% 1.29%

Country	Report	Due	Forecast	Prior
US	Change in Nonfarm Payrolls	7-Nov-25	220,000	229,000
US	Initial Jobless Claims	6-Nov-25	5.50%	5.50%
US	ISM Manufacturing	3-Nov-25	0.10%	0.30%
US	U. of Mich. Sentiment	7-Nov-25	3.40%	3.40%
UK	Bank of England Bank Rate	6-Nov-25	-0.10%	0.20%
UK	S&P Global UK Manufacturing PMI	3-Nov-25	4.30%	4.30%
CA	Unemployment Rate	7-Nov-25	5.00%	-11.70%
CA	Net Change in Employment	7-Nov-25	2.00%	0.90%

Local Foreign Currency Market								
Currency	31-Oct	30-Oct	24-Oct	DoD %	WoW % Δ	YTD% Δ		
USD:JMD	161.46	161.38	161.38	0.05%	0.05%	3.23%		
GBP:JMD	214.00	210.77	216.55	1.53%	-1.18%	10.22%		
CAD:JMD	117.33	115.42	116.02	1.65%	1.13%	7.25%		

### JN MUTUAL FUNDS

October 30, 2025

JN Mutual Funds	NAV Price	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)
Global Diversified Income	J\$13.6007	-1.19%	-2.19%	3.27%
Global Equity	J\$14.1337	-5.94%	-8.62%	0.00%
Global Fixed Income	J\$16.8381	5.75%	5.20%	6.83%
Global Money Market (US\$)	US\$11.7440	3.01%	2.78%	2.56%
Global Fixed Income (US\$)	US\$11.3533	3.19%	3.44%	3.03%
Local Money Market	J\$14.3286	6.20%	5.61%	7.20%



## Stock Recommendation list

Industry or Company	52 \	Week	CLose Price	CLose Price	P/E Ratio	P/B Ratio	T12M Dividend	Recommendation
	HIGH	LOW	31-0ct-25	31-Dec-24			Yield	
			Finance	е				
JMMB Group Ltd	24.00	17.00	17.98	22.31	3.41	0.63	1.67%	BUY
Proven Jamaica Ltd.	21.50	14.00	16.44	19.52	489.56	0.77	3.85%	BUY
Victoria Mutual Investments Ltd	3.05	1.55	2.31	2.52	266.75	1.13	2.29%	BUY
			Manufactu	ring				
A.S. Bryden & Sons Holdings Ltd	40.00	20.00	33.10	30.01	16.72	2.96	1.82%	BUY
Caribbean Cement Co Ltd	106.00	69.00	92.94	84.51	12.97	2.89	2.26%	BUY
Jamaica Broilers Group Ltd	*42.31	* 22.90	23.62	35.92	4.76	0.89	2.16%	HOLD
Seprod Ltd	92.40	75.10	82.00	87.17	26.85	1.99	0.74%	BUY
Wisynco Ltd	22.50	18.01	20.08	21.44	17.30	2.20	2.29%	BUY
			Conglome	rate				
Grace Kennedy Ltd	87.00	67.01	71.88	78.94	8.64	0.78	3.30%	BUY
Jamaica Producers Group	27.00	19.30	24.00	24.74	6.81	0.72	1.25%	BUY
Massy Holdings Limited	87.70	65.01	77.50	84.88	9.29	0.86	7.27%	BUY
			Leisure					
Supreme Ventures Ltd	26.50	16.00	18.23	24.73	23.46	10.65	3.06%	BUY
			Service	s				
Kingston Wharves Ltd	34.56	25.50	29.81	32.90	13.43	0.91	2.28%	BUY
Transjamaican Highway Limited	4.98	3.25	4.11	4.63	9.76	5.04	6.20%	BUY
			Real Esta	ite				
Eppley Caribbean Property Fund Ltd SCC	45.90	29.00	38.69	29.10	4.81	0.50	7.14%	BUY
Retail								
Fontana Ltd	10.50	7.60	9.00	8.11	19.25	3.65	2.78%	BUY
Stationery & Office Supplies	1.93	1.20	1.84	1.68	19.18	2.82	1.09%	BUY
			Food & Bev	erage				
Express Catering Ltd.	3.68	2.37	2.94	3.02	19.34	3.82	0.00%	BUY

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