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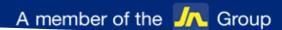
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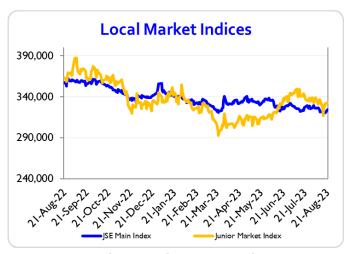




China's fiscal revenue slows as economy struggles

China's fiscal revenue rose 11.5% in the first seven months of 2023 from the same period a year earlier, but was slower than the 13.3% rise posted for the first six months, official data showed, amid signs the economy is losing momentum. Fiscal revenue totalled 13.9 trillion yuan (US\$1.92 trillion) from January-July, while fiscal expenditure grew 3.3% to 15.2 trillion yuan (US\$2.10 trillion), the finance ministry said in a statement on Monday.

In July, fiscal revenue rose 1.9% year on year, slowing from a 5.6% increase in June. Fiscal expenditure fell 0.8% in the same period, narrowing from a 2.5% decline a month earlier, according to Reuters calculations based on the ministry's data. The world's second-largest economy grew at a sluggish pace in the second quarter amid weak demand both at home and abroad, prompting top leaders to promise further policy support and analysts to downgrade their growth forecasts for the year. China's consumer sector fell into deflation in July, with analysts expecting price stagnation to persist for the next six to 12 months.



Foreign Exchange Market

Currency	21-Aug	18-Aug	DoD % ∆	YTD% Δ
USD:JMD	155.52	155.52	0.00%	2.28%
GBP:JMD	199.44	197.86	0.80%	9.53%
CAD:JMD	115.04	116.65	-1.39%	6.04%

Caribbean & Latam

 Most Latin American currencies slipped against a steady dollar on Monday as the latest stimulus measures from top crude and metals consumer China failed to impress, and traders awaited clues on future U.S. interest rates expected later this week.

USA & Canada

 The Dow closed lower Monday as weakness in consumer staples and energy offset an Nvidia-led rebound in tech despite a jump in Treasury yields to 16-year highs ahead of potential clues on monetary policy later this week.

Europe

 European shares snapped a four-day losing streak on Monday as energy and miners rose, tracking higher global commodity prices, while Danish drugmaker Novo Nordisk (NYSE:NVO) steered gains in the healthcare sector.

<u>Asia</u>

 Asian stocks stumbled on Monday after China delivered a smaller cut to lending rates than markets had counted on, continuing Beijing's run of disappointingly frugal stimulus steps.

Local Equity Market

Stock Index	Today's close	DoD Δ	DoD% Δ	YTD % Δ	ΥοΥ% Δ
JSE Combined Index	338,169.13	3,936.15	1.18%	-8.25%	-8.86%
JSE Index	324,224.20	4,153.40	1.30%	-8.90%	-9.23%
All Jamaican Composite Index	357,810.90	4,373.19	1.24%	-11.23%	-12.72%
JSE Select Index	8,197.14	139.13	1.73%	-7.86%	-11.60%
Junior Market Index	3,894.06	6.64	0.17%	-2.32%	-5.56%

BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS							
ADVANCERS DECLINERS							
BRG	7.80%		CABROKERS	-14.38%			
ECL	7.40%		ROC	-12.13%			
LASD	5.91%		138SL	-8.60%			

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference and deferred shares) resulted in trading of **94** stocks, of which **39** advanced, **38** declined and **17** traded firm.

International Markets

International Equity Markets					In	International Currency Market			
Index	21-Aug	DoD % Δ	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ	Currency	21-Aug	DoD % ∆	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ % Δ
S&P 500	4,399.77	0.69%	14.59%	6.33%	EUR: USD	1.0896	0.21%	1.78%	9.58%
Dow Jones	34,463.69	-0.11%	3.97%	4.23%	GBP: USD	1.20	0.17%	5.57%	8.40%
FTSE All Share	3,953.40	-0.22%	-2.99%	-4.43%	GBP: USD	1.28	0.17%	3.31%	8.40%
Euro Stoxx 50	4,224.87	0.28%	11.37%	15.49%	USD: CAD	1.35	-0.07%	-0.07%	3.74%
Nikkei 225	31,565.64	0.37%	9.63%	9.62%	USD: JPY	146.22	0.57%	11.52%	6.36%
MSCI World Index	669.11	0.35%	10.53%	5.30%					

Glo		Cor	nmodities					
Rates	21-Aug	DoD ∆bps	YTD ∆bps	YoY ∆bps	Commodity	21-Aug	DoD % Δ	YTD9
10 -Year US Treasury Bond	4.34%	9.00	47.00	133.00	Crude Oil	80.72	-0.65%	0.57
	4.73%	5.00	106.00	222.00	Gold	1,894.93	0.30%	3.89
10-Year UK Gilt					Silver	23.31	2.45%	-2.70
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	6.87%	3.00	283.00	126.00	Aluminium	2,144.00	0.33%	-9.84

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





JN MUTUAL FUNDS

August 18, 2023

JN Mutual Funds	NAV Price	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)
Global Diversified Income	J\$13.2509	2.01%	2.34%	3.17%
Global Equity	J\$13.8916	-5.44%	-4.73%	0.00%
Global Fixed Income	J\$14.6281	8.39%	6.13%	7.02%
Global Money Market (US\$)	US\$11.6501	3.96%	2.23%	4.37%
Global Fixed Income (US\$)	US\$11.6698	3.36%	2.00%	5.22%
Local Money Market	J\$13.0216	10.79%	7.85%	7.65%

	Global Money Market Fund	Local Money Market Fund	Global Fixed Income Funds	Global Diversified Income Fund	Global Equity Fund
Objective	To preserve capital whilst	To preserve capital whilst	To achieve an attractive total	To provide long-term	To provide long-term capital
	providing US dollar (US\$)	providing Jamaican Dollar	return through capital injection and	investment growth through	growth and risk
	money market returns	(J\$) money market returns	income growth. This is offered	exposure to a diversified	diversification.
			through two separate Funds:	range of asset classes.	
			(i) A Jamaican dollar (J\$) and		
			(ii) A US dollar (US\$) fund.		
Strategy	To invest in local and global	To invest in local and global	To invest in regional, sovereign	To invest in fixed income,	To invest in the shares of
37	money market instruments	money market instruments	debt securities, local and	high dividend yielding stocks,	local and international
	for safety, liquidity and	for safety and liquidity and	international corporate bonds.	REITs and structured products	companies which offer
	yield.	yield			strong growth possibilities
					and consistent income

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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