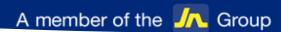
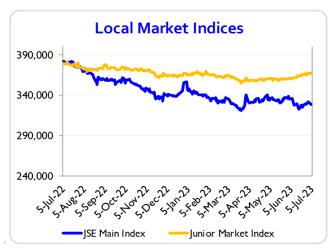
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China's services activity softens as recovery falters

China's services activity expanded at the slowest pace in five months in June, a private-sector survey showed on Wednesday, as weakening demand weighed on post-pandemic recovery momentum. The Caixin/S&P Global services Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) eased to 53.9 in June from 57.1 in May, the lowest reading since January when COVID-19 swept through the country after authorities ditched anti-virus curbs. The 50-point mark separates expansion from contraction in activity. The data broadly tracked the government's official PMI released last week and showed a slowdown in service sector activity as demand for in-person services weakened. After growing at a faster-than-expected pace in the first quarter, the world's second-biggest economy lost steam in April-June amid steepening deflation, high youth unemployment and sluggish foreign demand.

Business activity and new orders both expanded at notably slower rates last month than in May, the Caixin PMI showed. New export business growth also slowed but maintained a brisk pace. Services companies signalled a solid rise in input costs at the end of the second quarter, with the rate of inflation little changed from May, while prices charged by service providers rose marginally in June. Surprisingly, firm optimism towards the 12-month outlook strengthened, with companies expecting stronger economic conditions and greater amounts of new work to support growth. The rate of job creation in the services sector also edged up to a three-month high but remained mild overall. About half of employed Chinese work in the sector. Caixin/S&P's composite PMI, which includes both manufacturing and services activity, fell to 52.5 from 55.6 in May, marking the sixth straight month of expansion. China releases its second-quarter Gross Domestic Product (GDP) data and June activity indicators in mid-July.



Foreign Exchange Market

| Currency | 5-Jul | 4-Jul | DoD % Δ | YTD% Δ |
|----------|--------|--------|----------------|---------------|
| USD:JMD | 155.48 | 155.11 | 0.24% | 2.25% |
| GBP:JMD | 198.09 | 195.42 | 1.36% | 8.78% |
| CAD:JMD | 117.73 | 117.53 | 0.17% | 8.52% |

Caribbean & Latam

 Most Latin American currencies held onto small gains on Wednesday even as the dollar gained following minutes from the U.S. Federal Reserve's last meeting, with the Mexican and Colombian pesos leading the advance on higher oil prices.

USA & Canada

 U.S. crude oil gained about 3% on Wednesday, narrowing the price gap with global benchmark Brent in a post-holiday response to supply cuts announced on Monday by Saudi Arabia and Russia.

Europe

 The dollar index gained 0.3% in Wednesday trading largely viewed as a prelude to key U.S. data releases Thursday and Friday, aided somewhat by weaker than forecast euro zone PMI and PPI and risk-off flows fostered by China concerns, while Fed minutes merely affirmed existing hawkish expectations.

<u>Asia</u>

 Singapore's central bank warned on Wednesday of weak nearterm growth for one of Asia's top financial hubs and said its fight against rising prices was not yet over, even as it lowered its 2023 headline inflation forecast.

Local Equity Market

| Stock Index | Today's close | DoD Δ | DoD% ∆ | YTD % ∆ | ΥοΥ% Δ |
|------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------|---------|---------|
| JSE Combined Index | 342,836.95 | -489.22 | -0.14% | -6.99% | -13.43% |
| JSE Index | 328,377.50 | -487.98 | -0.15% | -7.73% | -14.05% |
| All Jamaican Composite Index | 364,684.10 | -1,461.79 | -0.40% | -9.53% | -16.66% |
| JSE Select Index | 7,934.52 | 5.77 | 0.07% | -10.81% | -19.41% |
| Junior Market Index | 3,980.64 | -3.70 | -0.09% | -0.15% | -7.78% |
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| BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----------|--|-------|-----------|--|--|
| | ADVANCERS | | | DECLINERS | | |
| CBNY | 19.35% | | CAC | -20.57% | | |
| SRFJMD | 11.21% | | ISP | -16.32% | | |
| GWEST | 10.75% | | MTLIA | -15.24% | | |

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference and deferred shares) resulted in trading of **94** stocks, of which **44** advanced, **40** declined and **10** traded firm.

International Markets

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|------------------|------------------------------|----------------|--------|--------|-------------------------------|--------|---------|--------|--------|
| Index | 5-Jul | DoD % Δ | YTD% ∆ | ΥοΥ% Δ | Currency | 5-Jul | DoD % ∆ | YTD% ∆ | ΥοΥ% Δ |
| S&P 500 | 4,446.82 | -0.20% | 15.82% | 16.06% | EUR: USD | 1.0854 | -0.23% | 1.39% | 5.73% |
| Dow Jones | 34,288.64 | -0.38% | 3.44% | 10.72% | GBP: USD | 1.27 | -0.08% | 5.13% | 6.33% |
| FTSE All Share | 4,055.33 | -0.98% | -0.49% | 4.95% | GBP: USD | 1.27 | -0.08% | 5.13% | 0.33% |
| Euro Stoxx 50 | 4,350.71 | -0.92% | 14.68% | 29.49% | USD: CAD | 1.33 | 0.46% | -1.99% | 1.93% |
| Nikkei 225 | 33,338.70 | -0.25% | 15.79% | 26.17% | USD: IPY | 144.67 | 0.14% | 10.33% | 6.49% |
| MSCI World Index | 682.09 | -0.46% | 12.67% | 14.11% | · J · · | | | | |

| Global Interest Rates | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------|----------|----------|----------|--|--|--|--|
| Rates | 5-Jul | DoD ∆bps | YTD ∆bps | YoY ∆bps | | | | |
| 10 -Year US Treasury Bond | 3.93% | 8.00 | 6.00 | 112.00 | | | | |
| 10-Year UK Gilt | 4.49% | 7.00 | 82.00 | 244.00 | | | | |
| GOJ 2025 Global Bond | 6.87% | 11.00 | 283.00 | 52.00 | | | | |

| Commodities | | | | | | | |
|-------------|----------|----------------|---------|----------------|--|--|--|
| Commodity | 5-Jul | DoD % Δ | YTD% ∆ | ΥοΥ % Δ | | | |
| Crude Oil | 71.92 | 3.05% | -10.39% | -27.72% | | | |
| Gold | 1,915.86 | -0.50% | 5.04% | 8.56% | | | |
| Silver | 23.13 | 0.71% | -3.45% | 20.37% | | | |
| Aluminium | 2,142.50 | -1.15% | -9.90% | -10.43% | | | |

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 | ual Funds | NAV Pr | ice | 12 Months Growth Rate | YTD Growth Rate | Yield Estimated Yearly Income) | |
|--------------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Global | Diversified Incom | e J\$13.36 | 61 | -0.25% | 3.23% | 2.99% | |
| Global | Equity | J\$14.45 | 18 | -3.24% | -0.89% | 0.00% | |
| Global | Fixed Income | J\$14.47 | 21 | 7.83% | 5.00% | 6.69% | |
| Global | Money Market (U | S\$) US\$11.6 | 120 | 4.15% | 1.90% | 4.16% | |
| | Fixed Income (US | • | 545 | 3.04% | 1.86% | 5.02% | |
| Local Money Market | | J\$12.83 | J\$12.8367 | | 6.32% | 7.68% | |
| | Global Money Market Fund | Local Money Market Fund | Glob | oal 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 throu (i) A J | chieve an attractive total n through capital injection and ne growth. This is offered Igh 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 | vest in regional, sovereign securities, local and national corporate bonds. | To invest in fixed income, high dividend yielding stocks REITs and structured produc | | |

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