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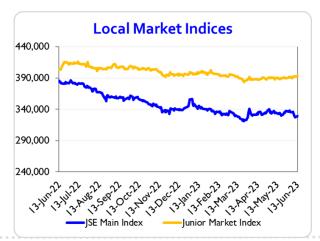


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## U.S. inflation eases to 4.0% in May as key Fed decision looms

Inflation in the U.S. rose at a slower pace yet again in May, potentially bolstering the case for the Federal Reserve to push pause on a long-standing policy tightening campaign later this week. The country's Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the month increased by 4.0% on an annual basis, down from 4.9% in April, according to data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics on Tuesday. Economists had expected the number to cool to 4.1%. It was headline inflation's eleventh straight month of easing and the slowest rate since early 2021, but the figure still remains double the Fed's stated 2% target. Month-on-month, the reading inched up by 0.1%, decelerating from 0.4% in the prior month.

Meanwhile, core prices, which strip out more volatile items like food and energy, rose by 5.3% annually and 0.4% monthly, in line with estimates. The numbers could factor into the decision-making process of Fed policymakers as they begin a crucial two-day meeting today. The Fed has been raising interest rates for more than a year to combat elevated inflation, so the CPI print is expected to play a pivotal role in whether the central bank chooses to temporarily halt its tightening cycle or hike borrowing costs further.



### Foreign Exchange Market

Currency	13-Jun	12-Jun	DoD % $\Delta$	YTD% $\Delta$
USD:JMD	155.35	155.20	0.09%	2.17%
GBP:JMD	193.88	195.52	-0.84%	6.48%
CAD:JMD	115.38	116.08	-0.61%	6.35%

#### Caribbean & Latam

 Latin American currencies edged higher on Tuesday after data showing a slowdown in U.S. consumer prices growth last month weighed on the dollar, while the Chilean peso steadied slightly from the previous day's sharp declines as copper prices rose.

#### **USA & Canada**

 The S&P 500 and Nasdaq reached their highest closes in 14 months on Tuesday after data showed consumer prices rose modestly in May, boosting bets that the Federal Reserve will not raise interest rates on Wednesday.

### **Europe**

European shares rose on Tuesday, boosted by technology stocks and as miners tracked a bounce in metal prices after
China cut interest rates, amid growing hopes that the U.S. Federal
Reserve would skip raising rates in its policy meeting.

#### <u>Asia</u>

 Asian shares edged up in early trade on Tuesday, following an upbeat session on Wall Street while investors turned their attention to key U.S. inflation data and the Federal Reserve's interest rate decision this week.

### **Local Equity Market**

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Stock Index	Today's close	DoD Δ	DoD% ∆	YTD % ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ
JSE Combined Index	342,175.85	826.66	0.24%	-7.17%	-13.48%
JSE Index	329,000.52	469.12	0.14%	-7.56%	-14.22%
All Jamaican Composite Index	362,087.53	810.40	0.22%	-10.17%	-17.32%
JSE Select Index	8,015.03	37.44	0.47%	-9.91%	-19.52%
Junior Market Index	3,844.90	42.50	1.12%	-3.55%	-6.20%

BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS							
ADVANCERS DECLINERS							
ICREATE	15.18%		ISP	-16.47%			
EPLY	14.53%		AMG	-14.18%			
sos	14.32%		138SL	-14.04%	_		

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference and deferred shares) resulted in trading of **95** stocks, of which **46** advanced, **41** declined and **8** traded firm.

### **International Markets**

International Equity Markets					International Currency Market				
Index	13-Jun	DoD % $\Delta$	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ	Currency	13-Jun	DoD % ∆	YTD% ∆	ΥοΥ% Δ
S&P 500	4,369.01	0.69%	13.79%	16.52%	EUR: USD	1.0793	0.33%	0.82%	3.69%
Dow Jones	34,212.12	0.43%	3.21%	12.11%	CDD LICD	1.24	0.030/	4.300/	3.049/
FTSE All Share	4,151.46	0.27%	1.87%	4.37%	GBP: USD	1.26	0.82%	4.38%	3.94%
Euro Stoxx 50	4,347.55	0.72%	14.60%	24.13%	USD: CAD	1.33	-0.37%	-1.74%	3.25%
Nikkei 225	33,018.65	1.80%	14.68%	22.35%	USD: IPY	140.22	0.44%	6.94%	4.31%
MSCI World Index	676.94	0.84%	11.82%	13.27%	· <b>J</b> · ·				

Global Interest Rates						Cor	nmodities		
Rates	13-Jun	DoD ∆bps	YTD ∆bps	YoY ∆bps	Commodity	13-Jun	DoD % $\Delta$	YTD% ∆	<b>YoY</b> % ∆
10 -Year US Treasury Bond	3.81%	7.00	-6.00	45.00	Crude Oil	69.29	3.23%	-13.67%	-42.70%
	4.43%	9.00	76.00	190.00	Gold	1,943.74	-0.72%	6.56%	6.84%
10-Year UK Gilt		Silver	23.67	-1.61%	-1.20%	12.28%			
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	6.74%	2.00	270.00	45.00	Aluminium	2,231.00	0.13%	-6.18%	-15.11%

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





## **JN MUTUAL FUNDS**

June 12, 2023

JN Mutual Funds	NAV Price	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)
Global Diversified Income	J\$13.1760	-2.60%	1.76%	3.34%
Global Equity	J\$14.0320	-6.61%	-3.77%	0.00%
Global Fixed Income	J\$14.4078	8.21%	4.53%	6.54%
Global Money Market (US\$)	US\$11.5699	4.30%	1.53%	3.93%
Global Fixed Income (US\$)	US\$11.6131	2.96%	1.50%	4.82%
Local Money Market	J\$12.8020	9.92%	6.03%	7.04%

	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
Juacegy	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
	7	<b>/</b>			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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