

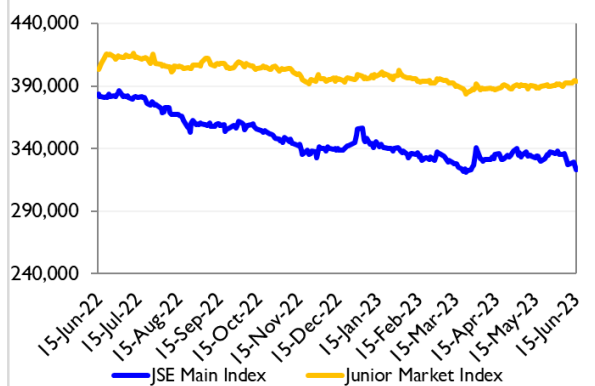
ECB raises rates to 22-year high, in no mood to pause

The European Central Bank (ECB) raised borrowing costs to their highest level in 22 years on Thursday and left the door open to more hikes, extending its fight against inflation that remains stubbornly high even as the euro zone economy flags. The ECB increased its key interest rate - the one banks pay to park cash securely at the central bank - for the eighth consecutive time, by 25 basis points to 22 year-high of 3.5%. The ECB's President, Christine Lagarde noted that the key ECB interest rates will be brought to levels sufficiently restrictive to achieve a timely return of inflation to the 2% medium-term target and will be kept at those levels for as long as necessary. The central bank for the 20 countries that share the euro also said it expected inflation to stay above its 2% target through 2025 and hinted once again at more rate hikes in the coming months. It raised its 2023 and 2024 projections for "core" inflation, excluding volatile energy and food, which the ECB watches closely. Lagarde said wage rises and companies pushing up prices to increase their profits are becoming an increasingly important driver of inflation.

The ECB's latest hike followed Wednesday's first pause in U.S. rate rises in over a year - a signal to investors around the world that the current tightening cycle across developed economies is nearing an end, even if a little more U.S. tightening is still possible. Euro zone inflation has been moderating for months, courtesy of lower energy prices and the steepest increase in rates in the ECB's 25-year history, but remains unacceptably high for the ECB at 6.1%, with underlying price growth only starting to slow. The upwards revision to inflation forecasts for this year, the next and 2025 - when it was still expected to remain above the central bank's target, at 2.2% - surprised economists. Euro zone government bond yields and the euro rose as traders bet on higher interest rates.

Source: Reuters

Local Market Indices



Foreign Exchange Market

Currency	15-Jun	14-Jun	DoD % Δ	YTD% Δ
USD:JMD	155.20	155.39	-0.12%	2.07%
GBP:JMD	197.93	194.83	1.59%	8.70%
CAD:JMD	118.04	116.63	1.21%	8.81%

Caribbean & Latam

- Latin American currencies were mixed on Thursday, with the Mexican peso falling sharply after the Federal Reserve maintained a hawkish approach on interest rates, while the Chilean peso gained on firm copper prices.

USA & Canada

- The S&P 500 and Nasdaq surged on Thursday to close at their highest in 14 months, as investors cheered economic data that fueled bets that the U.S. Federal Reserve is nearing the end of its aggressive interest-rate hike campaign.

Europe

- Investors are turning their attention back to European small and mid-cap stocks as low valuations spark long-term interest even as the immediate economic outlook remains gloomy.

Asia

- Asian currencies fell against the U.S. dollar on Thursday as investors responded to the Federal Reserve's "hawkish pause" with a sell-off, because it pointed to the greenback being stronger for longer against the risk-sensitive assets.

Local Equity Market

Stock Index	Today's close	DoD Δ	DoD% Δ	YTD % Δ	YoY% Δ
JSE Combined Index	336,908.50	-3,732.68	-1.10%	-8.60%	-14.51%
JSE Index	323,374.27	-3,765.05	-1.15%	-9.14%	-15.31%
All Jamaican Composite Index	360,648.61	-333.53	-0.09%	-10.53%	-17.35%
JSE Select Index	7,999.63	65.76	0.83%	-10.08%	-19.06%
Junior Market Index	3,842.97	-23.99	-0.62%	-3.60%	-6.76%

BEST AND WORST PERFORMERS

ADVANCERS		DECLINERS	
ICREATE	12.61%	ISP	-12.25%
SELECTMD	7.94%	SOS	-12.19%
BPOW	6.30%	EPLY	-10.33%

Today's combined market activity (excluding preference and deferred shares) resulted in trading of **96** stocks, of which **38** advanced, **46** declined and **12** traded firm.

International Markets

International Equity Markets					International Currency Market				
Index	15-Jun	DoD % Δ	YTD% Δ	YoY% Δ	Currency	15-Jun	DoD % Δ	YTD% Δ	YoY% Δ
S&P 500	4,425.84	1.22%	15.27%	16.78%	EUR: USD	1.0946	1.07%	2.25%	4.81%
Dow Jones	34,408.06	1.26%	3.80%	12.19%	GBP: USD	1.28	0.93%	5.78%	4.94%
FTSE All Share	4,161.92	0.18%	2.13%	3.71%	USD: CAD	1.32	-0.77%	-2.46%	2.56%
Euro Stoxx 50	4,365.12	-0.25%	15.06%	23.58%	USD: JPY	140.29	0.14%	6.99%	4.82%
Nikkei 225	33,485.49	-0.05%	16.30%	27.19%					
MSCI World Index	685.94	1.01%	13.31%	14.27%					

Global Interest Rates					Commodities				
Rates	15-Jun	DoD Δbps	YTD Δbps	YoY Δbps	Commodity	15-Jun	DoD % Δ	YTD% Δ	YoY% Δ
10 -Year US Treasury Bond	3.72%	-7.00	-15.00	44.00	Crude Oil	70.55	3.34%	-12.10%	-38.82%
10-Year UK Gilt	4.38%	-1.00	71.00	191.00	Gold	1,958.00	0.80%	7.35%	6.77%
GOJ 2025 Global Bond	6.73%	-1.00	269.00	45.00	Silver	23.88	-0.15%	-0.30%	10.12%
					Aluminium	2,249.50	-0.18%	-5.40%	-13.23%



Mutual Funds



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JN MUTUAL FUNDS

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JN Mutual Funds	NAV Price	12 Months Growth Rate	YTD Growth Rate	Yield (Estimated Yearly Income)
Global Diversified Income	J\$13.1853	-2.49%	1.83%	3.34%
Global Equity	J\$14.0566	-6.20%	-3.60%	0.00%
Global Fixed Income	J\$14.4099	8.22%	4.54%	6.54%
Global Money Market (US\$)	US\$11.5734	4.30%	1.56%	3.93%
Global Fixed Income (US\$)	US\$11.6173	2.99%	1.54%	4.82%
Local Money Market	J\$12.8029	9.96%	6.04%	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 providing US dollar (US\$) money market returns	To preserve capital whilst providing Jamaican Dollar (J\$) money market returns	To achieve an attractive total return through capital injection and income growth. This is offered through two separate Funds: (i) A Jamaican dollar (J\$) and (ii) A 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	To invest in regional, sovereign debt securities, local and international corporate bonds.	To invest in fixed income, high dividend yielding stocks, REITs and structured products	To invest in the shares of local and international companies which offer strong growth possibilities and consistent income

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