

Week ending January 22, 2021

JA\$ FIXED INCOME

- The JA\$ Fixed income market traded with moderate liquidity conditions during the week.
- The BOJ auctioned its 30-day CD this week offering JA\$14 Billion to the market. The auction continues to be oversubscribed; the weighted average increased from 0.68% to 0.95%.
- The GOJ will be reopening the Benchmark 2029 and 2050 Investments notes via an auction on Jan 29, 2021.
- The market is expected to trade with moderate liquidity conditions next week.

See closing repo rates below:

Tenor	Current Rate %
Overnight	0.35 – 0.50
30 days	1.50 – 1.90
90 days	2.25 – 2.50
180 days	2.75 – 3.00
365 days	3.25 – 3.50

US\$ FIXED INCOME

The US\$ Fixed income market continues to trade with fair liquidity conditions over the week. There continues to be broker demand for long-term repo funding in the market, while supply is mainly for short-term placements. See closing repo rates below:

Tenor	Current Rate %
Overnight	1.00 -1.25
30 days	1.75-2.00
90 days	2.25-2.50
180 days	2.75-3.00
365 days	3.25-3.50

JA\$ Treasury-Bill Weighted Average Yields

Instrument	90 Day Treasury Bill	180 Day Treasury Bill	270 Day Treasury Bill
Last Auction	January 13, 2021	January 13, 2021	January 13, 2021
Current Yield	0.74%	0.81%	0.99%
Previous Yield	0.77%	0.86%	1.04%
Net Change	-0.03%	-0.05%	-0.05%

(Source: Bank of Jamaica)

GLOBAL BOND MARKET

- GOJ long end bonds (2036, 2039 & 2045) closed the week slightly higher on stronger bids
- Jamaica's unemployment rate fell to 10.7% in 3Q from 12.6% in 2Q, according to the Statistical Institute of Jamaica (STATIN)
- President Joe Biden has formally taken office and is already working to undo a number of past President Trump's policies
- The article of impeachment against former President Donald Trump will be delivered to the Senate on Monday, triggering the start of his unprecedented second trial in the chamber.
- Trinidad and Tobago will return to the open market to seek a buyer for its oil refinery that ceased operations two years ago after rejecting a proposal from a local group, Finance Minister Colm Imbert said on Tuesday.

(Source: Bloomberg)

FX MARKET

- The foreign exchange market traded with moderate to high demand over the week amidst low supply.
- The Bank of Jamaica (BOJ) intervened in the market once during the week via (flash sale) B-FXITT offering to sell USD to authorized foreign exchange dealers for resale only to non-financial end users
- At the end of trading, Friday January 22, 2021, the Jamaican dollar was valued at \$146.76 against the US\$ which represents an approximately \$1.94 depreciation in the value of the JA\$ for the week.

	Weighted Avg. Sell Rates						Weekly Change (\$)
	15-Jan-21	18-Jan-21	19-Jan-21	20-Jan-21	21-Jan-21	22-Jan-21	
USD	144.8183	144.9716	145.4885	146.1471	145.9689	146.7674	(1.9491)
CAD	118.4459	113.5365	115.0693	115.3371	116.6418	114.2179	4.2280
GBP	198.3419	198.2637	197.4703	199.0828	201.2921	201.1921	(2.8502)
EUR	179.3203	176.8127	178.897	179.3506	179.4117	181.7856	(2.4653)

(Source: Bank of Jamaica)

REGIONAL EQUITY MARKETS

JAMAICA

Weekly market activity resulted from trading in 104 stocks of which 49 advanced, 47 declined and 8 traded firm.

The market volume amounted to 96,537,283 units valued at over \$375,800,998.38.

The market volume leader Wigton Windfarm Limited with 18,480,762 units (19.14%) followed by Tropical Battery Limited with 9,449,264 units (9.79%) and Transjamaica Highway Limited with 9,374,527 units (9.71%).

US\$ market volume amounted to 6,276,097 units valued at over US\$1,189,596.66.

The following reflect the movement of the JSE Indices:

- The JSE Combined Index declined by 2,768.91 points (0.71 %) to close at 384,586.87.
- The JSE Index declined by 3,552.27 points (0.91 %) to close at 385,859.59.
- The JSE All Jamaican Composite Index declined by 3,939.67 points (0.92 %) to close at 422,982.26.
- The JSE Select Index declined by 62.38 points (0.65 %) to close at 9,477.76.
- The JSE Cross Listed Index advanced by 0.50 points (0.55 %) to close at 91.71.
- The Junior Market Index advanced by 47.07 points (1.74 %) to close at 2,749.66.
- The JSE USD Equities Index advanced by 0.93 points (0.48 %) to close at 194.70.
- The JSE Financial Index declined by 1.83 points (1.82 %) to close at 98.63.
- The JSE Manufacturing & Distribution Index advanced by 0.89 points (1.08 %) to close at 83.09.

(Source: Jamaica Stock Exchange)

TRINIDAD

Weekly market activity resulted from trading in 23 securities of which 7 advanced, 11 declined and 5 traded firm.

The market volume amounted to 1,446,676 shares crossing the floor of the Exchange valued at TT\$13,563,744.87.

The volume leaders are JMMB Group Ltd with 579,363 shares changing hands for a value of TT\$1,116,009.82, followed by National Flour Mills with a volume of 152,418 shares being traded for TT\$394,146.80.

The following reflect the movement of the TTSE Indices: -

- The COMPOSITE Index declined by 7.35 points (0.55%) to close at 1,324.07.
- The ALL T&T Index declined by 8.20 points (0.46%) to close at 1,767.80.
- The CROSS-LISTED Index declined by 0.88 points (0.73%) to close at 119.03.
- The SME Index traded firm to close at 59.17.

(Source: Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange)

BARBADOS

This week, the Regular Market traded a total volume of 11,813 shares. The top three companies traded were Barbados Farms Limited with 6,309, Goddard Enterprises Limited with 3,162 and FirstCaribbean International Bank with 1,293 shares.

The BSE Indices ending January 22, 2021.

INDICES	TODAY'S TRADING January 22, 2021	LAST TRADING January 15, 2021	CHANGES
Local	2,604.52	2,603.63	0.89
Cross-list	933.43	933.43	-
Composite	633.72	633.50	0.22

(Source: Barbados Stock Exchange)

REGIONAL EQUITY MARKETS

- Barita Investments Limited (BIL) has advised that its Board of Directors approved a Board Resolution on January 21, 2021, for an interim dividend of \$0.746 per stock unit, to be paid on February 15, 2021, to shareholders on record at the close of business on February 5, 2021. The Ex-dividend date is February 4, 2021.
- Scotia Group Jamaica Limited (SGJ) has advised that the Annual General Meeting of the Scotia Group Jamaica Limited is scheduled to be held on Friday, March 12, 2021 at 10:00 am at The Jamaica Pegasus Hotel, 81 Knutsford Boulevard, Kingston 5 or virtually in accordance with an order the Company expects to receive from the Supreme Court.
- Honey Bun (1982) Limited (HONBUN) has advised that their Board of Directors has approved a dividend of \$0.09 per share payable on February 16, 2021, to shareholders on record as at February 3, 2021. The ex-dividend date is February 2, 2021.
- Proven Investments Limited (PROVEN) is advising the public that based on the applications for subscriptions already received in its Additional Public Offering ("APO"), and in compliance with the Bank of Jamaica (Dealings in Foreign Currency Instruments) (Proven Investments Limited) (Additional Public Offer for issuance of US dollar shares) (Exemption) Order, 2020, it will only be accepting further applications for subscription which are denominated in Jamaican Dollars, with effect from 25th January 2021. PROVEN is also reminding that the APO is scheduled to close at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, January 29, 2021, subject to the Company exercising its right to close the application list at any time prior to the Closing Date if applications have been received for the full amount of the respective New Ordinary Shares offered.

Top Advancers and Decliners for the week.

Advancers				Decliners			
Symbol	Close Price (\$)	Change (\$)	%	Symbol	Close Price (\$)	Change (\$)	%
LUMBER	1.96	0.47	31.54%	DCOVE	6.80	(2.12)	-23.77%
PURITY	1.64	0.30	22.39%	MJE	6.26	(1.43)	-18.60%
KLE	1.40	0.24	20.69%	EPLY8.25%	6.00	(0.99)	-14.16%

(Source: Jamaica Stock Exchange)

Non-GOJ Global Bond Indicative Prices

Bond	Coupon	Size (US\$M)	Bloomberg Composite Rating	Buyback Price	Sale Price	Indicative Offer Yield
Banco De Credito Del Peru 4.25% 04/01/2023	4.250%	716.301	BBB+	98.85	108.19	0.47%
Bancolumbia SA 5.125% 09/11/2022	5.125%	2.945	NR	97.32	106.58	1.03%
Centrais Eletricas Brasileiras 5.75% 10/27/2021	5.750%	625.702	BB-	95.04	103.76	0.73%
Chicago Board of Education US\$ Bond 6.319% 11/01/2029	6.319%	257.125	BB-	113.00	123.00	3.28%
Credito Real SAB De CV 9.50% 02/07/2026	9.500%	400.000	BB	104.68	112.55	6.53%
Digicel Group 0.5 Ltd 10.0% 04/01/2024	10.000%	988.311	CCC-	89.78	97.69	11.98%
Digicel Group 0.5 Ltd 8.00% 04/01/2025	8.000%	399.208	CC	54.87	62.51	21.96%
Digicel Group Ltd 7.125% 04/01/2022	7.125%	21.004	NR	0.83	5.61	520.47%
Digicel Group Two Ltd 8.25% 09/30/2022	8.250%	27.166	NR	1.59	9.88	240.40%
Digicel Group Two Ltd 9.125% 04/01/2024	9.125%	7.817	NR	0.01	7.18	146.45%
Genworth Holdings Inc 6.30% 06/15/2034	6.500%	300.000	CCC+	86.29	96.70	6.88%
Govt. of Aruba 4.625% 02/14/2023	4.625%	253.000	BBB-	98.77	107.33	0.14%
Govt. of Bahamas 5.75% 01/16/2024	5.750%	300.000	BB-	95.69	103.62	4.43%
Govt. of Bahamas 6.00% 11/21/2028	6.000%	750.000	BB-	91.04	99.61	6.07%
Govt. of Bahamas 6.95% 11/20/2029	6.950%	300.000	BB-	94.68	102.01	6.64%
Govt. of Bahamas 8.95% 10/15/2032	8.950%	825.000	BB-	102.68	110.83	7.54%
Govt. of Barbados 6.50% 10/01/2029	6.500%	530.595	NR	99.12	106.28	5.32%
Govt. of Barbados 6.50% 02/01/2021	6.500%	2.482	NR	96.46	100.07	0.37%
Govt. of Bermuda 4.138% 01/03/2023	4.138%	353.905	A	104.00	107.90	0.05%
Govt. of Bermuda 4.854% 02/06/2024	4.854%	402.203	A	107.72	114.17	0.16%
Govt. of Costa Rica 4.375% 04/30/2025	4.375%	500.000	B	91.68	99.81	4.42%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 5.875% 04/18/2024	5.875%	611.492	BB-	104.58	111.21	0.78%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 4.875% 09/23/2032	4.875%	3,066.000	BB-	103.52	110.05	3.80%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 5.875% 01/30/2060	5.875%	3,200.000	BB-	99.65	107.35	5.42%
Govt. of Panama 9.375% 04/01/2029	9.375%	951.425	BBB	148.94	156.76	1.86%
Govt. of Trinidad 4.375% 01/16/2024	4.375%	550.000	BB+	103.53	110.50	0.80%
Govt. of Trinidad 4.5% 06/26/2020	4.500%	500.000	BB+	102.66	109.82	3.28%
Govt. of Venezuela 9.250% 05/07/2028	9.250%	2,000.000	DD+	5.61	14.20	69.77%
Govt. of Venezuela 9.25% 09/15/2027	9.250%	4,000.000	DD+	5.60	14.28	71.59%
Instituto Costa de Electricidad 6.95% 11/10/2021	6.950%	500.000	B	95.98	105.24	0.30%
National Gas Company 6.05% 01/15/2036	6.050%	400.000	BB+	103.81	112.52	4.86%
Petrobras Global Finance 4.375% 05/20/2023	4.375%	931.670	BB-	99.23	108.49	0.67%
Petrobras Global Finance 4.75% 01/14/2025 Euro Denom	4.750%	446.148	BB-	106.22	117.30	0.35%
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 12.75% 02/17/2022	12.750%	3,000.000	NR	1.78	7.39	578.66%
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 5.375% 04/12/2027	5.375%	3,000.000	NR	0.47	7.20	86.27%
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 9.00% 11/17/2021	9.000%	2,394.240	NR	0.87	7.41	827.95%
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 9.75% 05/17/2035	9.750%	3,000.000	NR	1.75	7.34	102.89%
Sagicor Finance Ltd 8.875% 08/11/2022	8.875%	318.103	BB	98.58	103.16	-3.96%
Scotiabank Peru S.A.A 4.50% 12/13/2027	4.500%	400.000	BBB	100.57	107.23	0.62%
Telecom Services TT 8.875% 10/18/2029	8.875%	300.000	B	99.27	106.13	7.77%
Trinidad Generation Unlimited 5.25% 11/04/2027	5.250%	600.000	BB+	102.28	108.82	3.48%
Trinidad Petroleum Holdings Ltd. 9.75% 06/15/2026	9.750%	570.265	BB-	110.69	117.77	2.12%
Unicomer 7.875% 04/01/2024	7.875%	350.000	BB-	99.59	105.08	1.46%

GOJ Global Bond Indicative Prices

BOND	CURRENCY	SIZE (M)	COUPON	BID	OFFER	Offer YTM
GOJ 2022	USD	208.239	11.625%	107.25	111.25	0.019%
GOJ 2025	USD	401.176	7.625%	113.50	122.50	0.976%
GOJ 2025	USD	85.225	9.250%	119.65	128.60	2.75%
GOJ 2028	USD	1421.447	6.750%	115.80	125.05	2.41%
GOJ 2036	USD	250.000	8.500%	140.90	149.90	4.05%
GOJ 2039	USD	1243.238	8.000%	138.25	148.25	4.06%
GOJ 2045	USD	1815.000	7.875%	136.10	146.10	4.69%
AIRJAM 2027	USD	77.381	8.125%	100.50	110.00	4.81%
NROCC 2024	USD	294.180	9.375%	114.00	122.20	2.32%