

Week ending May 21, 2021

## JA\$ FIXED INCOME

- The JA\$ Fixed income market traded with moderate liquidity conditions during the week.
- The BOJ auction its weekly 30 day CD offering \$7.4Bil. The issue was heavily over-subscribed with the weighted average being 0.49%.
- The MOF offered 6Bil FR 5.675% 2034 and 4Bil FR 4.50% 2025. Both bonds were oversubscribed, with the average yield being 5.38% and 4.02% respectively.
- The market is expected to trade with moderate liquidity conditions next week.

See closing repo rates below:

Tenor	Current Rate %
Overnight	0.5 – 1.00
30 days	1.60 – 2.15
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. Demand for long term funding remains relatively strong while the supply of short-term funds is readily available from brokers. Liquidity is expected to remain stable in the near term.

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	May 12, 2021	May 12, 2021	April 12, 2021
Current Yield	0.94%	1.37%	1.32%
Previous Yield	1.94%	2.07%	2.47%
Net Change	-1.00%	-0.70%	-1.15%
Next Auction	TBA	TBA	TBA

(Source: Bank of Jamaica)

## GLOBAL BOND MARKET

- GOJ global bonds closed the week with prices on GOJ 2028s softening while the remainder of yield curve trading relatively unchanged
- US Federal Reserve officials were cautiously optimistic about the U.S. economic recovery at the central bank's April meeting, with some officials signaling they'd be open to discussing scaling back the central bank's massive bond purchases "at some point."
- Belize is seeking the consent of owners of the U.S. Dollar bonds due 2034 to extend the grace period applicable to the May 20, 2021 coupon to September 19, 2021.
- The International Monetary Fund called for a \$50 billion spending plan to protect vast swaths of the world against Covid-19 and narrow a gap in access to life-saving vaccines that's threatening the global economic recovery from the pandemic.
- Bitcoin resumed its selloff Friday after China reiterated a warning that it intends to crack down on cryptocurrency mining as part of an effort to control financial risks.

(Source: Bloomberg)

## FX MARKET

- The foreign exchange market traded with low to moderate demand over the week amidst moderate supply.
- There was no intervention from the Bank of Jamaica (BOJ) during the week.
- At the end of trading, Friday May 21, 2021, the Jamaican dollar was valued at \$149.79 against the US\$ which represents an approximately \$1.18 appreciation in the value of the JA\$ for the week.

	Weighted Avg. Sell Rates							Weekly Change (\$)
	14-May-21	17-May-21	18-May-21	19-May-21	20-May-21	21-May-21		
USD	150.9733	150.6757	150.6175	150.1026	150.2537	149.7927	1.1806	
CAD	126.3091	124.6677	124.9956	124.8541	124.7616	125.1441	1.1650	
GBP	211.9036	211.2043	213.0321	213.7915	213.6329	213.1513	(1.2477)	
EUR	184.8210	183.9302	186.7007	185.3112	186.2469	184.2229	0.5981	

(Source: Bank of Jamaica)

## REGIONAL EQUITY MARKETS

### JAMAICA

Market activity resulted from trading in 108 stocks of which 45 advanced, 54 declined and 9 traded firm.

The Market volume amounted to 143,658,377 units valued at over J\$1,083,572,386.75.

The market volume leaders are FESCO Company Limited with 31,193,935 units (21.71%), followed by Sagicor Select Fund Limited –Financial with 12,377,422 units (8.62%) and Wigton Windfarm Limited with 11,697,102 units (8.14%).

The US\$ market volume (excluding blocks) amounted to 2,781,897 units valued at over US\$189,975.92.

**The following reflect the movement of the JSE Indices:**

- The JSE Combined Index declined by 3,403.48 points (0.79%) to close at 426,201.24.
- The JSE Index declined by 3,712.09 points (0.87%) to close at 424,303.18.
- The JSE All Jamaican Composite Index advanced by 2,765.67 points (0.61%) to close at 454,479.33.
- The JSE Select Index advanced by 63.19 points (0.63%) to close at 10,129.38.
- The JSE Cross Listed Index declined by 14.85 points (11.89%) to close at 110.08.
- The Junior Market Index advanced by 2.53 points (0.08%) to close at 3,324.08.
- The JSE USD Equities Index declined by 5.02 points (2.36%) to close at 208.05.
- The JSE Financial Index declined by 1.80 points (1.68%) to close at 105.33.
- The JSE Manufacturing & Distribution Index declined by 0.02 points (0.02%) to close at 103.62.

*(Source: Jamaica Stock Exchange)*

### TRINIDAD

The Market activity resulted from trading 26 securities of which 13 advanced, 7 declined and 6 traded firm.

The Market volume amounted to 1,783,260 shares crossing the floor of the Exchange valued at TT\$26.801 million.

The volume leaders are JMMB Group Limited with 240,950 shares (13.51%) followed National Flour Mills Limited with 216,934 shares (12.16%) and NCB Financial Group Limited with 178,513 shares (11.71%).

**The following reflect the movement of the TTSE Indices: -**

- The COMPOSITE Index advanced by 12.76 points (0.95%) to close at 1,355.98.
- The ALL T&T Index advanced by 21.64 points (1.19%) to close at 1,841.46.
- The CROSS-LISTED Index advanced by 0.46 points (0.39%) to close at 117.23.
- The SME Index declined by 2.31 points (5.06%) to close at 43.33.

*(Source: Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange)*

### BARBADOS

This week, the Regular Market traded a total volume of 42,886 shares. The top three companies traded were Goddard Enterprises Limited with 26,600 (62.02%), Cave Shepherd and Company Limited with 11,689 (27.26%) and Eppley Caribbean Property Fund SCC – Value Fund with 3,931 (9.17%).

**The BSE Indices ending May 21 2021.**

INDICES	TODAY'S TRADING	LAST TRADING	CHANGES	% Change
	21-May-21	14-May-21		
Local	2,443.19	2,444.56	-1.37	-0.056%
Cross-list	1,140.86	1,140.86	-	
Composite	598.46	598.78	-0.32	-0.053%

*(Source: Barbados Stock Exchange)*

## REGIONAL EQUITY MARKETS

- FIRSTROCK has advised that it has entered into a binding agreement to acquire a commercial property in Cross Roads, St. Andrew, Jamaica. The total internal square footage is 13,303. This represents investment property for the company for lease income.
- Following the cross listing of shares of Guardian Holdings Limited (GHL) on May 5, 2021, NCB Global Holdings Limited (NCBGH), a wholly owned subsidiary of NCBFG, published a prospectus on May 17, 2021 inviting offers to purchase up to 2,000,000 ordinary shares in GHL. The Board of NCBGH approved the sale of the shares to give potential investors in Jamaica the opportunity to share in the continued growth of GHL. For further details, visit [www.jamstockex.com](http://www.jamstockex.com).
- CPFV has advised that the Board of Directors declared an ordinary dividend of 0.8 Barbados cents (BBD \$0.008) per share payable on July 9, 2021 to shareholders on record as at May 28, 2021. The ex-dividend date is May 27, 2021.
- EPLY has advised that the Board of Directors declared an ordinary dividend of 3.72 cents (\$0.0372) per share payable on June 11, 2021 to shareholders on record as at May 28, 2021. The ex-dividend date is May 27, 2021.
- MAILPAC has declared an interim dividend of \$0.05 per share payable on June 15, 2021 to shareholders on record at the close of business on June 1, 2021. The ex-dividend date is May 31, 2021.
- EPLY has advised that the Board of Directors declared an ordinary dividend of 3.72 cents (\$0.0372) per share payable on June 11, 2021 to shareholders on record as at May 28, 2021. The ex-dividend date is May 27, 2021.

### Top Advancers and Decliners for the week.

Advancers				Decliners			
Symbol	Close Price (\$)	Change (\$)	%	Symbol	Close Price (\$)	Change (\$)	%
138SL	7.90	2.47	45.49%	PJX	7.12	(3.28)	-31.54%
JETCON	1.06	0.19	21.84%	FIRSTROCK US\$	0.09	(0.03)	-25.00%
MDS	5.00	0.75	17.65%	LASF	3.20	(0.74)	-18.78%

### 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+	100.21	105.49	1.24%
Bancolombia SA 5.125% 09/11/2022	5.125%	2.945	NR	99.25	105.12	1.13%
Centrais Eletricas Brasileiras 5.75% 10/27/2021	5.750%	625.702	BB-	96.91	102.39	0.12%
Chicago Board of Education US\$ Bond 6.319% 11/01/2029	6.319%	257.125	BB-	112.94	119.94	3.56%
Credito Real SAB De CV 9.50% 02/07/2026	9.500%	400.000	BB	89.59	97.78	10.10%
Digicel Group 0.5 Ltd 10.0% 04/01/2024	10.000%	1,037.727	CCC-	93.83	101.74	9.42%
Digicel Group 0.5 Ltd 8.00% 04/01/2025	8.000%	415.176	CC	79.85	87.48	12.09%
Digicel Group Ltd 7.125% 04/01/2022	7.125%	21.004	NR	1.93	5.90	877.12%
Digicel Group Two Ltd 8.25% 09/30/2022	8.250%	27.166	NR	1.80	7.38	359.09%
Digicel Group Two Ltd 9.125% 04/01/2024	9.125%	7.817	NR	1.68	6.36	162.41%
Ganworth Holdings Inc 6.50% 06/15/2034	6.500%	300.000	CCC+	94.03	102.63	6.20%
Govt. of Aruba 4.625% 09/14/2023	4.625%	253.000	BB+	100.29	104.56	1.10%
Govt. of Bahamas 5.75% 01/16/2024	5.750%	300.000	BB-	99.06	105.76	3.45%
Govt. of Bahamas 6.00% 11/21/2028	6.000%	750.000	BB-	97.27	103.94	5.27%
Govt. of Bahamas 6.95% 11/20/2029	6.950%	300.000	BB-	100.76	106.89	5.91%
Govt. of Bahamas 8.95% 10/15/2032	8.950%	825.000	BB-	109.07	114.58	7.06%
Govt. of Barbados 6.50% 10/01/2029	6.500%	530.595	NR	98.14	104.73	5.57%
Govt. of Bermuda 4.138% 01/03/2023	4.138%	353.900	A	102.86	106.30	0.21%
Govt. of Bermuda 4.854% 02/06/2024	4.854%	402.203	A	106.16	111.98	0.39%
Govt. of Costa Rica 4.375% 04/30/2025	4.375%	500.000	B	99.13	105.66	2.84%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 5.875% 04/18/2024	5.875%	611.492	BB-	104.00	108.20	1.47%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 4.875% 09/23/2032	4.875%	3,066.000	BB-	101.19	106.51	4.15%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 5.875% 01/30/2060	5.875%	3,200.000	BB-	96.07	101.06	5.81%
Govt. of Panama 9.375% 04/01/2029	9.375%	951.425	BBB-	142.98	149.75	2.39%
Govt. of Trinidad 4.375% 01/16/2024	4.375%	550.000	BB+	102.73	108.55	1.09%
Govt. of Trinidad 4.50% 06/26/2030	4.500%	500.000	BB+	101.55	106.37	3.59%
Govt. of Venezuela 9.250% 05/07/2028	9.250%	2,000.000	DD+	6.55	15.04	67.93%
Govt. of Venezuela 9.25% 09/15/2027	9.250%	4,000.000	DD+	6.44	14.93	70.34%
Instituto Costa de Electricidad 6.95% 11/10/2021	6.950%	500.000	B	97.88	102.68	1.10%
National Gas Company 6.05% 01/15/2036	6.050%	400.000	BB+	102.18	108.86	5.18%
Petrolbras Global Finance 4.375% 05/20/2023	4.375%	931.070	BB-	103.08	106.86	0.89%
Petrolbras Global Finance 4.75% 01/14/2023 Euro Denom	4.750%	446.148	BB-	108.45	113.78	0.89%
Petrolbras De Venezuela SA 12.75% 02/17/2022	12.750%	3,000.000	NR	2.52	7.57	978.70%
Petrolbras De Venezuela SA 5.375% 04/12/2027	5.375%	3,000.000	NR	2.73	8.27	80.94%
Petrolbras De Venezuela SA 9.00% 11/17/2021	9.000%	2,394.240	NR	2.52	7.86	2438.05%
Petrolbras De Venezuela SA 9.75% 05/17/2035	9.750%	3,000.000	NR	2.47	7.95	86.80%
Sagcor Finance Ltd 8.875% 08/11/2022	8.875%	187.939	BB	100.00	101.91	-0.05%
Sagcor Financial Co. 5.30% 05/13/2028	5.300%	400.000	BB	100.96	103.52	4.50%
Scotiabank Peru S.A. 4.50% 12/13/2027	4.500%	400.000	BBB	98.11	102.90	2.59%
Telecom Services TT 8.875% 10/18/2029	8.875%	300.000	B	101.02	106.80	7.62%
Trinidad Generation Unlimited 5.25% 11/04/2027	5.250%	600.000	BB+	99.85	106.25	3.91%
Trinidad Petroleum Holdings Ltd. 9.75% 06/15/2026	9.750%	570.265	BB-	108.58	113.68	3.55%
Umicor 7.875% 04/01/2024	7.875%	350.000	BB-	100.26	104.27	3.30%

### GOJ Global Bond Indicative Prices

BOND	CURRENCY	SIZE (M)	COUPON	BID	OFFER	Offer Yield
GOJ 2022	USD	208.239	11.625%	104.00	107.00	0.930%
GOJ 2025	USD	401.176	7.625%	113.70	119.70	1.207%
GOJ 2025	USD	85.225	9.250%	121.60	126.55	2.81%
GOJ 2028	USD	1421.447	6.750%	114.80	120.05	3.03%
GOJ 2036	USD	250.000	8.500%	136.25	142.75	4.51%
GOJ 2039	USD	1243.238	8.000%	136.55	143.05	4.36%
GOJ 2045	USD	1815.000	7.875%	135.05	141.30	4.93%
AIRIAM 2027	USD	77.381	8.125%	102.50	110.00	4.51%
NROCC 2024	USD	294.180	9.375%	115.00	121.20	2.00%