

Week ending October 1, 2021

JA\$ FIXED INCOME

- The JA\$ Fixed income market traded with moderate liquidity conditions during the week.
- The BOJ auctioned its weekly 30 day CD offering \$10.5Billion to the market. The issue was over-subscribed with the weighted average being 2.59% which was a 44 bps increase over last week's auction.
- The market is expected to trade with moderate liquidity next week.
- The BOJ increased its benchmark policy rate by 100 bps to 1.50% citing concerns around the expected rise in inflation.

See closing repo rates below:

Tenor	Current Rate %
Overnight	0.5 – 1.00
30 days	2.25 – 2.50
90 days	2.50 – 2.75
180 days	2.85 - 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	2.00-2.25
90 days	2.50-2.75
180 days	3.00-3.25
365 days	3.50-3.75

JA\$ Treasury-Bill Weighted Average Yields

Instrument	90 Day Treasury Bill	180 Day Treasury Bill	270 Day Treasury Bill
Last Auction	September 8, 2021	September 8, 2021	August 13, 2021
Current Yield	1.41%	1.66%	1.31%
Previous Yield	0.88%	1.20%	1.32%
Net Change	0.53%	0.46%	-0.01%

(Source: Bank of Jamaica)

GLOBAL BOND MARKET

- GOJ global bonds traded weaker on improved selling and reduced demand over the week
- Bahamas sovereign bonds continued trading lower this week as concerns arise over the country's financial standings. Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Philip Davis, sought reassure creditors by indicating the nation's intent to live up to its obligations or seek to renegotiate terms.
- Puerto Rico's House of Representatives filed a debt-restructuring bill that proponents say will allow the U.S. territory to make its way out of bankruptcy while protecting pensioners and municipalities.
- The House passed a nine-week spending bill to avert a U.S. government shutdown hours before it was set to begin on a 254 to 175 vote.

(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 October 01, 2021, the Jamaican dollar was valued at \$147.53 against the US\$ which represents an approximately \$0.23 appreciation in the value of the JA\$ for the week.

	Weighted Avg. Sell Rates						Weekly Change (\$)
	24-Sep-21	27-Sep-21	28-Sep-21	29-Sep-21	30-Sep-21	1-Oct-21	
USD	147.7701	147.9499	147.8495	147.4194	147.2441	147.5385	0.2316
CAD	118.0867	120.5757	119.3125	118.7818	117.6625	117.9073	0.1794
GBP	205.4918	203.9809	203.6427	201.919	202.9298	202.8255	2.6663
EUR	176.2819	176.6895	175.4311	174.3731	174.9771	178.4765	(2.1946)

(Source: Bank of Jamaica)

REGIONAL EQUITY MARKETS

JAMAICA

Weekly market activity resulted from trading in 112 stocks of which 68 advanced, 38 declined and 6 traded firm.

The Market volume amounted to 155,810,169 units valued at over J\$5,908,680,678.88.

The market volume leaders are Proven Investments Limited with 65,937,082 units (42.32%), followed by Barita Investments Limited with 41,326,755 units (26.52%) and TransJamaica Highway Limited with 30,846,714 units (19.80%).

The US\$ market volume (excluding blocks) amounted to 97,997,292 units valued at over US\$15,659,796.00.

The following reflect the movement of the JSE Indices:

- The JSE Combined Index advanced by 11,138.10 points (2.74%) to close at 417,072.90.
- The JSE Index advanced by 10,706.45 points (2.65%) to close at 414,577.75.
- The JSE All Jamaican Composite Index advanced by 12,946.08 points (2.92%) to close at 456,489.84.
- The JSE Select Index advanced by 229.05 points (2.34%) to close at 10,024.70.
- The JSE Cross Listed Index declined by 0.27 points (0.33%) to close at 82.14.
- The Junior Market Index advanced by 122.67 points (3.85%) to close at 3,312.50.
- The JSE USD Equities Index advanced by 12.99 points (7.09%) to close at 196.20.
- The JSE Financial Index advanced by 2.21 points (2.24%) to close at 101.04.
- The JSE Manufacturing & Distribution Index advanced by 4.78 points (4.71%) to close at 106.20.

(Source: Jamaica Stock Exchange)

TRINIDAD

Weekly market activity resulted from trading 24 securities of which 9 advanced, 10 declined and 5 traded firm.

The Market volume amounted to 10,587,093 shares crossing the floor of the Exchange valued at TT\$4.411 million.

The volume leaders are JMMB Group Limited with 8,041,524 shares (75.96%), followed by Guardian Media Limited with 1,489,885 shares (14.07%) and NCB Financial Group Limited with 418,248 shares (3.95%).

The following reflect the movement of the TTSE Indices: -

- The COMPOSITE Index advanced by 0.77 points (0.05%) to close at 1,425.45.
- The ALL T&T Index declined by 1.23 points (0.06%) to close at 1,98.88.
- The CROSS-LISTED Index advanced by 0.41 points (0.33%) to close at 124.29.
- The SME Index traded firm to close at 38.31.

(Source: Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange)

BARBADOS

This week, the Regular Market traded a total volume of 16,390 shares. The three companies traded were Cave Shepherd and Company Limited with 10,000 (61.01%), Goddard Enterprises Limited with 6,028 (36.78%) and Eppley Caribbean Property Fund SCC – Development Fund with 362 shares (2.21%).

The BSE Indices ending October 1, 2021.

INDICES	TODAY'S TRADING	LAST TRADING	CHANGES	% Change
	1-Oct-21	24-Sep-21		
Local	2,441.79	2,442.04	-0.25	-0.010%
Cross-list	1,140.86	1,140.86	-	-
Composite	598.06	598.12	-0.06	-0.010%

(Source: Barbados Stock Exchange)

REGIONAL EQUITY MARKETS

- NCBFG has advised that the Company has issued a Jamaican Dollar three-year senior unsecured corporate bond with a coupon of 6.0%, raising J\$15,000,000,000.00 (Fifteen Billion Jamaican Dollars). The offer was arranged by NCB Capital Markets Limited.
- JAMT Extraordinary General Meeting will be held in a virtual format at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 27, 2021. The Annual General Meeting will follow immediately thereafter, also in a virtual format, at 10.30 a.m. The meetings will be streamed live and can only be access by using the link <https://iteneri.com/jamaican-teas/>. For further details visit, www.jamstockex.com.
- PROVEN Investments Limited (PROVEN) is pleased to announce the successful acquisition of Heritage Education Funds International. This comes 5 months after announcing that it had entered into an agreement with Knowledge First Foundation, the parent company of Knowledge First Financial Inc., Canada's largest Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP) company, to purchase its 100% interest in all issued and outstanding shares of Heritage Education Funds International Inc. Heritage specializes in administering and managing education savings plans (ESPs) for clients in the Bahamas, Bermuda, Jamaica, and the British Virgin Islands and has enrolled over 50,000 children in its Heritage International Plan since its inception in 1983 and oversees approximately US\$150 million in assets under management

Top Advancers and Decliners for the week.

Advancers				Decliners			
Symbol	Close Price (\$)	Change (\$)	%	Symbol	Close Price (\$)	Change (\$)	%
JSX	9.00	1.98	28.21%	EPLY 7.50% PREF.	6.00	(2.00)	-25.00%
MEEG	4.59	0.87	23.39%	eppley	32.52	(5.51)	-14.49%
JAMT	4.22	0.67	18.87%	amg	1.74	(0.24)	-12.12%

(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+	101.36	104.57	1.14%
Bancolumbia SA 5.125% 09/11/2022	5.125%	2.945	NR	99.93	103.59	1.25%
Centrais Eletricas Brasileiras 5.75% 10/27/2021	5.750%	625.702	BB-	98.13	100.36	-0.20%
Chicago Board of Education US\$ Bond 6.319% 11/01/2029	6.319%	257.125	BB-	111.29	117.29	3.81%
Credito Real SAB De CV 9.50% 02/07/2026	9.500%	400.000	BB-	86.38	94.14	11.24%
Digicel Group 0.5 Ltd 10.0% 04/01/2024	10.000%	1,037.727	CCC-	95.90	103.81	8.32%
Digicel Group 0.5 Ltd 8.00% 04/01/2025	8.000%	415.176	CC	84.75	92.38	10.57%
Digicel Group Ltd 7.125% 04/01/2022	7.125%	21.004	NR	3.20	6.24	3146.61%
Digicel Group Two Ltd 8.25% 09/30/2022	8.250%	27.166	NR	1.88	7.84	593.48%
Digicel Group Two Ltd 9.125% 04/01/2024	9.125%	7.817	NR	1.50	6.73	174.11%
Genworth Holdings Inc 6.50% 06/15/2034	6.500%	300.000	B	100.99	109.70	5.43%
Govt. of Aruba 4.625% 09/14/2023	4.625%	169.000	BB+	102.35	104.94	1.16%
Govt. of Bahamas 5.75% 01/16/2024	5.750%	300.000	BB-	87.49	94.63	8.38%
Govt. of Bahamas 6.00% 11/21/2028	6.000%	750.000	BB-	81.75	89.50	8.22%
Govt. of Bahamas 6.95% 11/20/2029	6.950%	320.000	BB-	82.85	93.15	8.12%
Govt. of Bahamas 8.95% 10/15/2032	8.950%	825.000	BB-	90.23	97.83	9.27%
Govt. of Barbados 6.50% 10/01/2029	6.500%	520.595	NR	97.77	103.69	5.73%
Govt. of Bermuda 4.138% 01/03/2023	4.138%	353.905	A	102.48	104.90	0.20%
Govt. of Bermuda 4.854% 02/06/2024	4.854%	402.203	A	106.51	110.12	0.49%
Govt. of Costa Rica 4.375% 04/30/2025	4.375%	500.000	B	98.36	104.27	3.10%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 5.875% 04/18/2024	5.875%	611.492	BB-	102.88	107.03	1.23%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 4.875% 09/23/2032	4.875%	3,066.000	BB-	98.91	104.40	4.37%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 5.875% 01/30/2060	5.875%	3,200.000	BB-	94.69	99.53	5.91%
Govt. of Panama 9.375% 04/01/2029	9.375%	951.425	BBB-	142.99	147.21	2.44%
Govt. of Trinidad 4.375% 01/16/2024	4.375%	550.000	BB+	102.28	106.72	1.37%
Govt. of Trinidad 4.5% 06/26/2030	4.500%	500.000	BB+	102.87	108.55	3.36%
Govt. of Venezuela 9.250% 05/07/2028	9.250%	2,000.000	DD+	6.65	15.15	68.64%
Govt. of Venezuela 9.25% 09/15/2027	9.250%	4,000.000	NR	6.63	15.01	72.07%
Instituto Costa de Electricidad 6.95% 11/10/2021	6.950%	500.000	B	98.20	100.63	0.49%
National Gas Company 6.05% 01/15/2036	6.050%	400.000	BB+	101.95	108.46	5.20%
Petrobras Global Finance 4.75% 01/14/2025 Euro Denom	4.750%	446.148	BB-	108.96	113.82	0.49%
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 12.75% 02/17/2022	12.750%	3,000.000	NR	3.75	9.33	2651.96%
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 5.375% 04/12/2027	5.375%	3,000.000	NR	3.43	8.93	80.27%
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 9.00% 11/17/2021	9.000%	2,394.240	NR	3.75	8.79	6460.78%
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 9.75% 05/17/2035	9.750%	3,000.000	NR	4.00	9.00	98.70%
Sagicor Financial Co. 5.30% 05/13/2028	5.300%	400.000	BB	102.23	105.52	3.97%
Scotiabank Peru S.A.A 4.50% 12/13/2027	4.500%	400.000	BBB	98.15	102.98	1.85%
Telecom Services TT 8.875% 10/18/2029	8.875%	300.000	B	104.32	109.30	7.12%
Trinidad Generation Unlimited 5.25% 11/04/2027	5.250%	600.000	BB	99.49	104.96	4.10%
Trinidad Petroleum Holdings Ltd. 9.75% 06/15/2026	9.750%	570.265	BB-	107.84	113.02	1.75%
Unicomer 7.875% 04/01/2024	7.875%	350.000	BB-	100.86	103.37	4.83%

GOJ Global Bond Indicative Prices

BOND	CURRENCY	SIZE (M)	COUPON	BID	OFFER	Offer Yield
GOJ 2022	USD	208.239	11.625%	100.50	103.00	0.781%
GOJ 2025	USD	401.176	7.625%	111.55	117.55	1.140%
GOJ 2025	USD	85.225	9.250%	117.55	123.05	3.12%
GOJ 2028	USD	1421.447	6.750%	113.85	119.10	2.99%
GOJ 2036	USD	250.000	8.500%	136.60	142.46	4.47%
GOJ 2039	USD	1243.238	8.000%	135.85	142.35	4.36%
GOJ 2045	USD	1815.000	7.875%	135.75	142.00	4.87%
AIRJAM 2027	USD	71.429	8.125%	102.50	110.00	4.38%
NROCC 2024	USD	294.180	9.375%	114.20	119.20	1.77%