

Week ending January 21, 2022

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 \$6.5Billion to the market. The issue was over-subscribed with the weighted average being 4.06% which was a 8bps decrease over last week's auction.
- The GOJ reopened the Benchmark 2025 and 2031 notes to the market today via auction. The auctions were undersubscribed with the Weighted average yields coming out at 9.46% and 11.63% respectively.
- The market is expected to trade with moderate liquidity next week.

See closing repo rates below:

Tenor	Current Rate %
Overnight	1.5 – 2.00
30 days	3.50 – 4.00
90 days	4.50 – 4.85
180 days	5.00 - 5.15
365 days	5.25 – 5.50

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	1.50 -1.75
30 days	3.00-3.25
90 days	3.50-3.75
180 days	4.00-4.25
365 days	4.50-4.75

JA\$ Treasury-Bill Weighted Average Yields

Instrument	90 Day Treasury Bill	180 Day Treasury Bill	270 Day Treasury Bill
Last Auction	January 14, 2021	January 14, 2021	January 14, 2021
Current Yield	4.17%	4.34%	3.62%
Previous Yield	4.09%	4.33%	3.39%
Net Change	0.08%	0.01%	0.23%

(Source: Bank of Jamaica)

GLOBAL BOND MARKET

- GOJ global bonds traded with high demand for 2039s and 2045s this week as investor sought to pick up yield.
- Fitch Ratings has affirmed the 'BB-' rating of TransJamaican Highway Limited's. (TJH) senior secured notes. The Rating Outlook is Stable. The rating reflects the stability and resiliency of a commuting asset strategically located in the outskirts of Kingston, Jamaica's capital city.
- The latest US initial claims data disappointed, with filings jumping from 231,000 to 286,000 during the week ending January 15. The recent surge in COVID cases may have led to increased layoffs, and the trend in the claims data has weakened lately around a time when some other economic indicators also softened
- Barbados Prime Minister Mia Mottley on Thursday celebrated a landslide victory in the Caribbean nation's first general election since it became a republic last year by removing Britain's queen as sovereign head of state.

(Source: Bloomberg, Reuters)

FX MARKET

- The foreign exchange market traded with moderate to high demand over the week amidst low to moderate supply.
- There was no intervention from the Bank of Jamaica (BOJ)
- At the end of trading, Friday January 21, 2022, the Jamaican dollar was valued at \$156.71 against the US\$ which represents an approximately \$0.86 depreciation in the value of the JA\$ for the week.

	Weighted Avg. Sell Rates						Weekly Change (\$)
	14-Jan-22	17-Jan-22	18-Jan-22	19-Jan-22	20-Jan-22	21-Jan-22	
USD	155.8452	156.2971	156.0165	156.439	156.6784	156.7120	(0.8668)
CAD	124.8715	124.1156	126.7262	122.9558	125.0605	125.1670	(0.2955)
GBP	212.1106	211.3107	213.2453	214.279	213.5354	211.7166	0.3940
EUR	181.5268	178.1376	180.1537	182.0158	180.5164	179.0983	2.4285

(Source: Bank of Jamaica)

REGIONAL EQUITY MARKETS

JAMAICA

Weekly market activity resulted from trading in 112 stocks of which 55 advanced, 40 declined and 17 traded firm.

The market volume amounted 178,385,500 units valued at J\$1,059,632,142.73.

The market volume leaders Express Catering Limited with 24,646,138 units (13.82%), followed by Wigton Windfarm Limited with 13,485,713 units (7.56%) and FESCO Limited with 8,414,607 units (4.72%).

The US\$ market volume (excluding blocks) amounted to 4,237,692 units valued at over US\$509,334.31.

The following reflect the movement of the JSE Indices:

- The JSE Index advanced 3,350.45 points (0.85 %) to close at 396,141.35.
- The Junior Market Index advanced by 115.58 points (3.33 %) to close at 3,585.75.
- The JSE Combined Index advanced by 4,253.66 points (1.07 %) to close at 402,676.78.
- The JSE All Jamaican Composite Index advanced by 4,571.13 points (1.05 %) to close at 439,257.71.
- The JSE Select Index advanced by 152.39 points (1.56 %) to close at 9,925.20.
- The JSE USD Equities Index declined by 3.66 points (1.79 %) to close at 201.06.
- The JSE Cross Listed Index declined by 1.34 points (1.83 %) to close at 71.90.
- The JSE Financial Index advanced by 1.35 points (1.40 %) to close at 97.62.
- The JSE Manufacturing & Distribution Index advanced by 0.03 points (0.03 %) to close at 101.85.

(Source: Jamaica Stock Exchange)

TRINIDAD

Weekly market activity resulted from trading 26 securities of which 7 advanced, 14 declined and 5 traded firm.

The market volume amounted to 1,218,795 shares crossing the floor of the Exchange valued at TT\$37.737 million.

The volume leaders are Massy Holdings Limited with 189,536 shares (15.55%), followed GraceKennedy Limited with 177,427 shares (14.56%) and Clico Investments Fund with 173,763 shares (14.26%).

The following reflect the movement of the TTSE Indices: -

- The COMPOSITE Index advanced by 7.04 points (0.46%) to close at 1,530.37.
- The ALL T&T Index advanced by 11.13 points (0.52%) to close at 2,145.09.
- The CROSS-LISTED Index advanced by 0.38 points (0.31%) to close at 122.30.
- The SME Index traded firm to close at 43.32.

(Source: Trinidad and Tobago Stock Exchange)

BARBADOS

This week, the Regular Market traded a total volume of 7,194 shares. The two securities traded were Eppley Caribbean Property Fund SCC – Development Fund with 5,194 (72.20%), and Eppley Caribbean Property Fund SCC – Value with 2,000 shares (27.80%).

The BSE Indices ending January 21, 2022

INDICES	TODAY'S TRADING	LAST TRADING	CHANGES	% Change
	20-Jan-22	14-Jan-22		
Local	2,354.33	2,359.12	0.64	0.027%
Cross-list	1,140.86	1,140.86	-	-
Composite	577.26	578.4	0.14	0.024%

(Source: Barbados Stock Exchange)

REGIONAL EQUITY MARKETS

- SSLVC has advised that the Company has received an Offer from Micro-Financing Solutions Limited on January 17, 2022 to purchase 100% of the Company's issued share capital at the price of \$0.0948 per ordinary share. The Company has further advised that details of the Offer will be published in due course.
- Wigton Windfarm Ltd (WIG) has advised that the Company has obtained the necessary approvals from its existing Bondholders to amend and restate Bonds B, C and D. The restatement of the Bonds will result in savings in the finance expense of the Company over the seven (7) years lifetime of the Bonds.
- Derrimon Trading Ltd (DTL) has advised that the Company has acquired 100% ownership of Spicy Hill Farms effective January 10, 2022. The Spicy Hill line of products include: Ram Goat Soup "Mannish Water", Ram-It-Up "Curry Goat Booster", Granulated Scotch Bonnet Pepper, and Dried Thyme Leaves. The products manufactured by this Company are available in over 200 retail outlets throughout the island in addition to major stores within markets such as the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom and the Caribbean.
- Sagicor Group Jamaica Ltd (SJ) has advised that the Company has completed its anchor US\$100 Million (J\$ 15.48 billion) investment in a bond issued by NFE South Power Holdings Limited and will be arranging and brokering the sale of the remaining US\$185 Million of the US\$285 Million bond offering. SJ has further advised that all regulatory approvals have been received. For further details, visit www.jamstockex.com.

Top Advancers and Decliners for the week

Advancers				Decliners			
Symbol	Close Price (\$)	Change (\$)	%	Symbol	Close Price (\$)	Change (\$)	%
SSLVC	1.28	0.38	42.22%	PURITY	1.01	(0.28)	-21.71%
MTL	20.20	4.50	28.66%	IROC	3.03	(0.53)	-14.89%
AFS	24.45	4.40	21.95%	CABBROKERS	2.66	(0.36)	-11.92%

(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	100.22	103.33	1.44%
Bancolumbia SA 5.125% 09/11/2022	5.125%	2.945	NR	98.75	102.80	0.77%
Chicago Board of Education US\$ Bond 6.319% 11/01/2029	6.319%	257.125	BB	107.91	113.91	4.20%
Credito Real SAB De CV 9.50% 02/07/2026	9.500%	400.000	B+	55.50	67.26	22.15%
Digicel Group 0.5 Ltd 10.0% 04/01/2024	10.000%	1,048.104	CCC-	95.74	103.87	8.37%
Digicel Group 0.5 Ltd 8.00% 04/01/2025	8.000%	425.201	CC	98.75	96.77	9.45%
Digicel Group Ltd 7.125% 04/01/2022	7.125%	21.004	NR	4.51	7.56	4842.40%
Digicel Group Two Ltd 8.25% 09/30/2022	8.250%	27.166	NR	2.29	8.50	963.35%
Digicel Group Two Ltd 9.125% 04/01/2024	9.125%	7.817	NR	0.77	6.26	221.46%
Genworth Holdings Inc 6.50% 06/15/2034	6.500%	300.000	B	99.62	108.24	5.57%
Govt. of Aruba 4.625% 09/14/2023	4.625%	169.000	BB+	101.12	104.12	1.03%
Govt. of Bahamas 5.75% 01/16/2024	5.750%	300.000	B+	91.53	97.33	7.21%
Govt. of Bahamas 6.00% 11/21/2028	6.000%	750.000	B+	79.79	85.75	9.22%
Govt. of Bahamas 6.95% 11/20/2029	6.950%	300.000	B+	80.59	86.54	9.41%
Govt. of Bahamas 8.95% 10/15/2032	8.950%	825.000	B+	86.39	92.93	10.04%
Govt. of Barbados 6.50% 10/01/2029	6.500%	530.595	NR	96.72	102.55	5.94%
Govt. of Bermuda 4.138% 01/03/2023	4.138%	353.905	A	101.00	103.38	0.58%
Govt. of Bermuda 4.854% 02/06/2024	4.854%	402.203	A	104.19	107.60	1.09%
Govt. of Costa Rica 4.375% 04/30/2025	4.375%	500.000	B	98.00	103.88	3.12%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 5.875% 04/18/2024	5.875%	611.492	BB-	101.00	105.16	1.66%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 4.875% 09/23/2032	4.875%	3,066.000	BB-	95.49	100.95	4.76%
Govt. of Dominican Republic 5.875% 01/30/2060	5.875%	3,200.000	BB-	88.42	93.28	6.35%
Govt. of Panama 9.375% 04/01/2029	9.375%	951.425	BBB+	137.25	141.40	2.95%
Govt. of Trinidad 4.375% 01/16/2024	4.375%	550.000	BBB+	100.63	105.18	1.72%
Govt. of Trinidad 4.5% 06/26/2030	4.500%	500.000	BBB+	98.09	104.13	3.92%
Govt. of Venezuela 9.250% 05/07/2028	9.250%	2,000.000	NR	4.28	12.80	79.29%
Govt. of Venezuela 9.25% 09/15/2027	9.250%	4,000.000	NR	5.09	13.96	77.42%
National Gas Company 6.05% 01/15/2036	6.050%	400.000	BB+	98.74	104.45	5.59%
Petrobras Global Finance 4.75% 01/14/2025 Euro Denom	4.750%	446.148	BB-	106.23	111.05	0.98%
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 12.75% 02/17/2022	12.750%	3,000.000	NR	2.36	7.98	14836.09%
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 5.375% 04/12/2027	5.375%	3,000.000	NR	2.25	7.98	88.53%
Petroleos De Venezuela SA 9.75% 05/17/2035	9.750%	3,000.000	NR	2.00	7.61	98.60%
Sagicor Financial Co. 5.30% 05/13/2028	5.300%	550.000	BB	100.07	103.87	4.31%
Scottiabank Peru S.A.A 4.50% 12/13/2027	4.500%	400.000	BBB	97.34	102.96	1.18%
Telecom Services TT 8.875% 10/18/2029	8.875%	300.000	B	102.42	107.38	7.42%
Trinidad Generation Unlimited 5.25% 11/04/2027	5.250%	600.000	BB	98.82	104.26	4.21%
Trinidad Petroleum Holdings Ltd. 9.75% 06/15/2026	9.750%	570.265	BB-	104.96	109.97	3.42%
Unicomer 7.875% 04/01/2024	7.875%	350.000	BB-	100.70	103.51	0.16%

GOJ Global Bond Indicative Prices

BOND	CURRENCY	SIZE (M)	COUPON	BID	OFFER	Offer Yield
GOJ 2022	USD	208.239	11.625%	99.50	100.03	0.780%
GOJ 2025	USD	381.176	7.625%	108.95	114.95	1.436%
GOJ 2025	USD	85.225	9.250%	116.50	121.50	3.12%
GOJ 2028	USD	1421.447	6.750%	112.60	117.85	3.05%
GOJ 2036	USD	250.000	8.500%	135.90	142.90	4.39%
GOJ 2039	USD	1243.238	8.000%	136.45	142.95	4.29%
GOJ 2045	USD	1815.000	7.875%	136.65	142.90	4.81%
AIRIAM 2027	USD	65.476	8.125%	102.50	110.00	4.35%
NROCC 2024	USD	294.180	9.375%	112.50	117.70	1.53%