

FEATURED STOCK



JBG

Jamaica Broilers Group Ltd (JBG);
Opening price— \$31.95;
Price to book— 1.32 times;
P/E— 8.12 times

Week to Date: -0.54%



Month to Date: -0.54%



Quarter to Date: -4.30%



Year to Date: -6.94%



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Jamaica Broilers Group Limited (JBG) was founded in 1958 and its headquartered is located in St. Catherine, Jamaica. The Company's principal activities include the production and distribution of poultry products, animal feeds and agricultural items. JBG is a fully integrated poultry operation and has diversified into feed milling and cattle rearing, along with the development and marketing of other value—added products for both local consumption and export.

Jamaica Broilers Group Limited (JBG) for the nine months ended January 31, 2024, reported a 3% increase in revenue totalling \$70.35 billion compared to \$68.51 billion in the corresponding period last year. Cost of Sales amounted to \$52.99 billion (2022: \$51.92 billion), this represents an increase of 2% year over year. Consequently, gross profit increased by 5% to \$17.36 billion compared to \$16.59 billion for 2023. Distribution Costs increased by 8% from \$2.17 billion in 2022 to \$2.34 billion in the period under review. Also, administration and other expenses for the nine months amounted to \$8.69 billion, a 9% increase relative to \$7.99 billion reported in 2022. Operating profit for the nine months amounted to \$6.72 billion (2022: \$6.82 billion). Finance Costs totalled \$2.02 billion (2022: \$1.28 billion). Profit before taxation amounted to \$4.76 billion, a 14% decrease relative to \$5.55 billion reported in 2022. Taxation had a 10% decrease to \$937.70 million (2022: \$1.04 billion). Net Profit from continuing operations amounted to \$3.83 billion, a 15% decrease from the \$4.51 billion reported in 2022. Net profit attributable to amounted to \$3.83 billion (2022: \$3.56 billion).

According to The Gleaner, "After selling its hatchery located in the American midwest for US\$23 million, poultry company Jamaica Broilers Group, JBG, is considering additional investments in the same line of business, just at a different location on the east coast of the United States. JBG President and CEO Christopher Levy says the sale is geared towards a more efficient, vertically integrated operation. Jamaica Broilers still owns another hatchery in Pennsylvania and may either expand it or buy another one."

JBG (as at Friday May 31, 2024) was trading at 1.32 times its book value with a P/E of 8.12 times.





