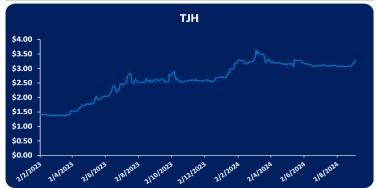
LOCAL STOCK MARKET: (JS)*

Stock Symbol	LUMBER	TJH	CABROKERS	FESCO	EPLY
Last Traded Price (\$)	2.84	3.27	3.44	3.30	37.50
Trailing EPS (\$)	0.20	0.33	0.36	0.18	1.38
P/E (times)	14.04	9.85	9.69	18.60	27.08
Projected P/E (times)	11.79	8.25	8.69	15.79	39.84
Projected EPS (\$)	0.24	0.40	0.40	0.21	0.94
Book Value per share (\$)	0.96	0.69	2.16	0.96	6.49
Price/Book Value (times)	2.95	4.75	1.59	3.43	5.78
Dividend Yield (2023)	2.86%	13.77%	1.21%	N/A	3.07%
Volumes	35,199	2,807,807	28	54,647	481
Recommendation	BUY	BUY	HOLD	HOLD	SELL



STOCK OF THE DAY: Trans Jamaican Highway Limited (TJH)

Unaudited financials for the six months ended June 30, 2024:

Trans Jamaican Highway Limited (TJH), for the six months ended June 30, 2024, reported a 9% increase in Revenue to US\$39.65 million relative to US\$36.21 million in the corresponding period last year.

Other Gains and Losses amounted to US\$1.95 million relative to Other Gains and Losses of US\$782,000 for the comparable period in 2023.

Operating Expenses increased 4% to US\$11.37 million (2023: US\$ 10.96 million). While Administrative Expenses for the period closed at US\$4.79 million, a 18% increase from the US\$4.06 million reported in 2023.

Finance Cost for the period closed at US\$6.98 million relative to US\$7.31 million in 2023, a 4% decrease year over year.

Profit Before Tax closed at US\$18.46 million versus a Profit Before Tax of US\$14.67 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024.

The Company reported Taxation of US\$4.54 million (2023: US\$3.67 million), resulting in a Net Profit of US\$13.92 million relative to a Net Profit of US\$11.01 million in 2023.

Consequently, Earnings Per Share for the six months amounted to J\$0.17 (2023: EPS: J\$0.14). The number of shares used in these calculations was 12,501,000,000.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKET TRADING SUMMARY

	PURCHASE RATE			SALES RATE		
Currency	Highest	Lowest	Weighted Average Rate	Highest	Lowest	Weighted Average Rate
USD	159.8500	124.3069	156.9162	178.3500	124.3069	158.2513
CAD	116.4800	93.2340	116.0085	131.8920	107.2600	116.4676
GBP	206.8000	167.0790	202.3172	213.1236	191.3200	205.3606
EURO	175.0000	140.2200	169.9827	199.4039	165.0000	175.7697

*Rates as at September 3, 2024

MONEY MARKET

The Jamaican dollar fixed income market had very high liquidity, with overnight funds readily available, in today's (September 04, 2024) trading session. The overnight rate stood at 6.00% to 6.25%, while the 30-day rate ranged from 7.00% to 7.50%.

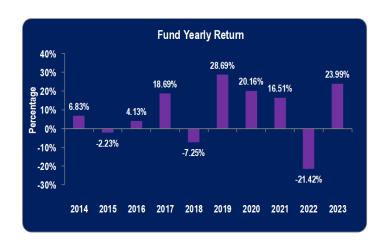
The US dollar fixed income market was moderately liquid, with short-term funds available, during today's (September 04, 2024) trading session. The overnight market rates were quoted at 1.00% to 1.50%, while the 30-day market rates stood at 4.50% to 4.75%.

OVER THE COUNTER FUNDS (CI FUNDS)

CI Synergy American Corporate Class

This fund invests primarily in equity and equity-related securities of companies which are located in countries that have signed the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) (or its successor).

The fund has a 3-year return of 7.81 % and a 5-year return of 11.41%. The Fund also has a 10-year return of 8.77%. Rates are as of June 30, 2024.



US Mortgage Rates Continue to Ease on Expectations of Fed Move

US mortgage rates fell last week to their lowest level since April 2023, prompting potential homebuyers to apply for loans at a faster clip.

The contract rate on a 30-year fixed mortgage fell slightly to 6.43% in the week ended Aug. 30, according to data released Wednesday by the Mortgage Bankers Association. That marked the fifth decline in as many weeks and spurred a pickup in the MBA's index of home-purchase applications, which rose 3.3% to 136.1.

https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-09-04/us-mortgage-rates-continue-toease-on-expectations-of-fed-move?srnd=phx-economics-v2

ECB's Kazaks Says Interest Rates Can Be Cut at Next Meeting

The European Central Bank can lower borrowing costs at this month's meeting, according to Governing Council member Martins Kazaks.

"Next week we have the ECB's council meeting, and to my mind — looking at the data that we have at available at the moment — we can take the next step in the direction of decreasing rates," the hawkish Latvian central-bank chief told Latvian TV on Wednesday. "Of course there will be a discussion, as there always is, but for me at this moment this picture is pretty clear."

https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-09-04/ecb-s-kazaks-saysinterest-rates-can-be-cut-at-next-meeting?srnd=phx-economics-v2

PLATINUM PORTFOLIO

Platinum Portfolio Yield Measures as at September 02, 2024 Percentage (%) Yield to Maturity 7.09 Weighted Average Coupon 4.89 **Current Yield** 6.31

The platinum portfolio has an effective maturity of 18.47 years and duration of 11.12 years.

STRUCTURED PRODUCT

Mayberry Gold

This portfolio is ideal for investors, both retail and corporate, seeking a conservative, short-term investment. The securities in the Gold are directly owned by the client and provide them with a safe investment option. Our Gold portfolio can also provide investors with coupon payments that can generate a positive income stream.

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HOLD: We believe the stock is fairly valued at the current price. The company may have issues affecting fundamentals that could take some time to resolve. Alternatively, company fundamentals may be sound, but this is fully reflected in the current stock price. The risk factors to achieving price targets are moderate. Some volatility is expected. In addition, technically it may be difficult to attain additional volume of the stock(s) at current price.

SELL: We believe the stock is overpriced relative to the soundness of the company's fundamentals and long-term prospects.

SPECULATIVE BUY: We believe the prospects for capital appreciation exist, however there is some level of uncertainty in revenue growth. Source: www.jamstockex.com, www.bloomberg.com, www.investopedia.com, www.tradewire.com





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