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Stock Ticker	Stock Information (as at June 12th, 2026)	Comments
SEP Sepro Limited	P/E: 10.21x P/B: 1.34x Price: \$72.98 Div Yield 3.52%	OVERWEIGHT Sepro remains a leading food and beverage company with a strong track record of revenue growth and dividend generation, supported by strategic acquisitions and regional expansion. The acquisition of AS Bryden significantly enhanced scale, driving substantial increases in revenue and profitability, while ongoing consolidation continues to support earnings growth. Geographic diversification and a broader regional footprint also provide resilience against domestic demand pressures in post-Melissa conditions, while supporting the Company's ability to sustain earnings and dividend generation.
TJH TransJamaican Highway Limited	P/E: 14.44x P/B: 7.21x Price: \$7.68 Div Yield 3.33%	OVERWEIGHT The Group continues to experience stronger-than-projected traffic growth, and this momentum is expected to persist in the near term. Operational efficiency has improved following the JIO acquisition, supporting enhanced profitability and cash flow generation as debt levels continue to decline. Coupled with an attractive dividend yield, these factors position TJH as a compelling opportunity for income-focused investors, with post-Melissa recovery dynamics expected to provide additional support to traffic volumes and overall growth.
CCC Caribbean Cement Company Limited	P/E: 12.82x P/B: 2.52x Price: \$105.03 Div Yield 1.94%	OVERWEIGHT Caribbean Cement Company Limited presents a compelling investment opportunity, driven by its dominant market positioning, financial resilience, and exposure to an attractive growth trajectory. The Company has effectively leveraged its monopoly position to sustain strong sales growth and improving profitability, supported by ongoing margin expansion and lower finance costs following debt reduction. Its robust liquidity and capital base provide a solid foundation for continued expansion and consistent dividend distributions. Looking ahead, demand is expected to remain resilient, driven by rebuilding activity in the post-Melissa environment and increased infrastructure and housing investment across the Caribbean, supporting the Company's medium-term growth outlook.

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LASD Lasco Distributors	P/E: 9.99x P/B: 0.95x Price: \$3 Div Yield 4.02%	MARKETWEIGHT LASCO Distributors has continued its growth trajectory, supported by steady demand across its core product lines and ongoing market expansion. The Company is strengthening its platform through investments in distribution, marketing, and logistics infrastructure, alongside a growing focus on exports and its pharmaceutical portfolio. While operations remained intact during Hurricane Melissa, broader economic disruptions have contributed to higher operating and financing costs, weighing on margins. Despite this, cost discipline has supported earnings stability. In the current environment, LASD's focus on essential goods and its expanding distribution network position it to remain resilient while supporting longer-term growth.
SCIJMD/SCIUSD Sygnus Credit Investments	P/E: 17.11x / 15.89x P/B: 0.49x / 0.46x Price: \$10.11 / \$0.06 Div Yield: 5.34% / 5.75%	MARKETWEIGHT Sygnus' business model is built on providing capital and direction to the underbanked, targeting the middle market. To support this strategy, the Company has executed several capital raises across equity, preference shares and debt, positioning it as a regional leader in private credit. Although Jamaica accounts for approximately 41% of total exposure, portfolio risk is mitigated by a sector mix weighted toward infrastructure and financial services, with limited exposure to hospitality and agriculture. This composition materially reduces earnings and credit headwinds in the post-Melissa environment. This cash flow stability also supports consistent income generation, and a strong dividend yield reinforcing return visibility within a more defensive earnings profile.
LASM Lasco Manufacturing	P/E: 9.64x P/B: 1.58x Price: \$6.43 Div Yield 2.96%	MARKETWEIGHT LASCO Manufacturing has faced a more constrained operating environment, with Hurricane Melissa disrupting production and weighing on output and margins in the near term. Despite this, the Company has demonstrated gradual stabilization, supported by cost management and consistent demand for its core product lines. As a key supplier within the LASCO group, LASM continues to benefit from its positioning in essential goods, although near-term performance may remain pressured. Over the medium term, normalization of operations and continued focus on efficiency are expected to support recovery and earnings growth.

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GK GraceKennedy Limited	P/E: 9.59x P/B: 0.71x Price: \$67.97 Div Yield 3.49%	MARKETWEIGHT GK has reported solid top-line growth and continues to advance its merger & acquisition (M&A) strategy, having increased its ownership stake in Catherine's Peak Bottling Company Limited to 100% and recently acquiring the remaining stake in Dairy Industries (Jamaica) Limited, strengthening its position across key segments. The company continues to pursue M&A opportunities both locally and internationally, which should enhance earnings diversification and support long-term growth. While revenue growth remains steady, profitability has been pressured by higher operating and logistics costs, softer performance in certain domestic and remittance segments, and more recently, disruptions related to Hurricane Melissa. Despite these challenges, GK's diversified business model, strong international performance, and continued expansion efforts position the Group to maintain resilience and support future growth.
FTNA Fontana Limited	P/E: 18.43x P/B: 2.64x Price: \$6.82 Div Yield 3.67%	MARKETWEIGHT Fontana has been growing and expanding since listing on the junior exchange in 2019, with recent acquisitions increasing its footprint to eleven locations. In its most recent quarter, revenue grew by 5.6% year-on-year to \$2.86 billion; however, net profit declined by 38%, largely due to disruptions caused by Hurricane Melissa, including temporary store closures and reduced trading hours in key locations. Operating expenses also increased by 22.2%, reflecting acquisition-related costs and new concept launches. While operations have since normalized, elevated cost pressures may continue to weigh on profitability in the near term. Nonetheless, the Company remains well positioned to support continued expansion, and its larger network is expected to drive long-term growth.
SVL Supreme Ventures Limited	P/E: 22.01x P/B: 8.83x Price: \$17 Div Yield 4.24%	MARKETWEIGHT Supreme Ventures remains the market leader in Jamaica's lottery and gaming industry, supported by its established distribution network and continued product expansion. The Company has executed on its growth strategy through acquisitions and new product offerings, which have supported steady market activity and revenue generation. However, the operating environment has become more challenging, as Hurricane Melissa disrupted activity in key western parishes, contributing to a decline in industry sales and highlighting the sector's geographic concentration. Additionally, the continued shift in consumer spending toward gaming and betting, however increasing competition within the lottery segment, may place pressure on margins over the medium term. While new products such as Scratchaz support engagement, the pace of growth will depend on sustained consumer uptake and normalization of activity in affected regions.

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WISYNCO Wisynco Group Limited	P/E: 16.47x P/B: 2.46x Price: \$19.93 Div Yield 2.31%	MARKETWEIGHT The operating environment is becoming more constrained, as hurricane-related hotel closures continue to limit demand from key tourism-linked channels, while newly implemented taxes on sugary drinks and alcoholic beverages are expected to weigh on consumption across core product categories. Wisynco, however has strengthened its operational efficiency and expanded production capacity in recent years, supporting revenue growth and margin expansion even amid disruptions caused by Hurricane Melissa. Improved output and distribution execution have allowed the Company to offset temporary weakness in its hotel and food service channels, highlighting the resilience of its broader distribution network. Despite these pressures, the Company's expanded capacity and diversified channels continue to support earnings resilience, even as near-term growth moderates within the current operating environment.
SGJ Scotia Group Jamaica Limited	P/E: 8.75x P/B: 1.07x Price: \$58.43 Div Yield 3.08%	MARKETWEIGHT SGJ offers stable exposure to the financial sector, supported by a strong credit risk framework and relatively low non-accrual loans. Profitability continues to benefit from loan portfolio growth and disciplined cost management, reinforcing steady earnings performance. The Group is also focused on improving operational efficiency and strengthening its core business, which should support sustainable growth over the medium term. Coupled with its consistent and attractive dividend payments, the Company remains a compelling option for income-focused investors seeking stability and long-term value.
CAR Carreras Limited	P/E: 15.59x P/B: 32.18x Price: \$24.72 Div Yield 6.03%	MARKETWEIGHT Carreras Limited operates within a highly regulated environment and continues to benefit from the relatively inelastic demand profile of its core products, supporting stable revenue and strong cash flow generation. However, the upcoming increase in Special Consumption Tax (SCT) on cigarettes is expected to present headwinds, as higher prices may accelerate the shift toward illicit trade, which already represents a significant portion of market consumption. While the Company has historically managed tax-related pressures through pricing and portfolio adjustments, the extent of the impact will depend largely on the effectiveness of enforcement measures aimed at curbing illegal supply. Despite these challenges, Carreras' strong market position and the nature of its product offering continue to support earnings resilience, particularly within a defensive portfolio context.

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JBG Jamaica Broilers Group Limited	P/E: N/A P/B: 0.6x Price: \$14.73 Div Yield: 0%	The group recently identified accounting issues within its US operations which have affected reported earnings and reduced near-term visibility on cash flow generation. Management has initiated corrective actions, including enhanced oversight and operational adjustments, alongside a broader restructuring of its overseas operations. This is supported by recently secured senior secured financing, which provides additional liquidity and extends the group's debt maturity profile, while the balance sheet has also strengthened following a recent revaluation exercise. Notwithstanding these measures, the group remains under monitoring given the need for consistent execution of the turnaround plan and improved transparency around underlying operating performance.

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Fixed Income

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HLT 3.75% 2029 Hilton Domestic Operating	Price (Bid/Ask): \$96.70/ \$96.86 Yield to Maturity (Bid/Ask): 4.99%/4.93% Maturity: May 1st, 2029 Modified Duration: 2.67 Credit Rating: BB+ (S&P)	The Hilton Hotels gives investors access to several global brands in the hospitality and travel sector. As of 2022, Hilton managed, franchised, or owned 7,165 hotels and resorts, totaling 1.1 million rooms in 123 countries. The industry also continues to represent a potential travel recovery play as the demand for business transient (short stay business travel) and group travel continues to gain momentum with trends through 2Q23 continuing to look strong.
SFCCN 5.3% 2028 Sagcor Financial Corporation	Price (Bid/Ask): \$99.80/\$100.02 Yield to Maturity (Bid/Ask): 5.41%/5.28% Maturity: May 13th, 2028 Modified Duration: 1.78 Credit Rating: BBB (S&P) / BB+ (Fitch)	OVERWEIGHT SFCCN 5.3% 2028 gives investors exposure a global life insurer with a growing footprint in the North American Market. While the credit has seen some spread compression, we believe that there might be more to come. This comes as it trades slightly cheap relative to peers with the major concern as it relates to macroeconomic exposure to Caribbean government debt is likely to be improved with the Ivori transaction. In this regard, the successful closure of the acquisition means that there is potential for more spread compression. In addition to this, approaching closer to the end of the Fed hiking cycle might also limit the potential downside tailwinds on price from even more restrictive monetary policy.
MAT 3.75% 2029 Mattel Inc	Price (Bid/Ask): \$97.01/\$97.10 Yield to Maturity (Bid/Ask): 4.91%/4.87% Maturity: April 1st, 2029 Modified Duration: 2.59 Credit Rating: BBB (S&P) / BBB-(Fitch) / Baa3 (Moody's)	Mattel markets toy products that are sold to its wholesale customers and direct to retail consumers. The Company offers products for children and families, including toys for infants and preschoolers, girls and boys. A rebound in dolls, especially Barbie and Frozen, is the key to Mattel outperforming projections.

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Unit Trust

Unit Trust Fund	06/10/2026	06/04/2026	Week/Week Return	Year-to-Date Return	1 Year Return	Yield
Capital Growth	72.780	72.514	0.37%	-5.51%	-4.01%	-
Money Market	18.694	18.675	0.10%	2.23%	5.96%	4.17%
Income Portfolio	100.000	100.000	-	-	-	4.70%
FX Bond Portfolio (US\$)	1.687	1.686	0.02%	2.01%	10.81%	3.78%
Real Estate Portfolio	21,490.936	21,468.633	0.10%	15.33%	22.13%	-
FX Growth Portfolio	1.415	1.469	-3.65%	0.81%	14.81%	-
FX Income Accumulator Portfolio	1.070	1.070	0.02%	1.50%	3.28%	4.77%

“Someone's sitting in the shade today
because someone planted a tree a
long time ago.”

Warren Buffett

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LOCAL EQUITY MARKET

For the week ending June 12, 2026, the local stock market, measured by the Combined Index, improved by 1.37%. The Main Market Index improved by 1.53%, the Junior Market Index declined by 0.98%, and the JSE USD Equities Index declined by 0.09%. During the ISP Finance Services Limited was the largest gainer, rising by approximately 35.06% to close at \$11.75. Productive Business Solution Ltd USD Ordinary Shares was the biggest decliner, which fell by 24.28% to close at \$0.34.

Large-cap stocks, reflecting those listed on the Main Market Index are outperforming on a YTD basis, improving by 7.33%, relative to its Junior Market counterpart which has declining by 12.38%.

For the week ending June 12, 2026, overall market activity resulted from 126 stocks of which 42 advanced, 72 declined and 12 traded firm. Market volume amounted to 943,033,712 units valued at over \$1,644,415,642.93. Key contributors to trading volume are Dolla Financial Services Limited with 504,796,009 (49.43%), followed by Kintyre Holdings (JA) Limited with 328,729,987 units (32.19%) and Productive Business Solution Ltd USD Ordinary Shares with 77,228,947 units (7.56%).

Revisiting relevant news during the week:

Scotiabank moves to take Scotia Group Jamaica private

Scotiabank Caribbean Holdings Limited is moving to take Scotia Group Jamaica Limited (SGJL) private, in a transaction that would see minority shareholders bought out at \$61.50 per share in cash.

[Scotiabank moves to take Scotia Group Jamaica private](#)

QUANTAS Advantage Inc IPO oversubscribed

QUANTAS Advantage Inc's initial public offering (IPO) has been oversubscribed as it garnered more than \$2.38 billion in investor subscriptions.

[QUANTAS Advantage Inc IPO oversubscribed](#)

Dequity sells Dolla stake for \$1 billion

The Kadeen Mairs-controlled Dequity Capital Management Limited exited its investment in Dolla Financial Services Limited on Thursday for \$935.75 million as it shifts focus to other private equity investments.

[Dequity sells Dolla stake for \\$1 billion](#)

BOJ clears Barita banking platform rollout

The Bank of Jamaica (BOJ) has cleared Barita Merchant Bank to begin rolling out a digital-first banking platform, moving Cornerstone Financial Holdings from more than a decade of acquisitions and regulatory build-out into the harder test of winning customers in Jamaica's crowded digital finance market.

[BOJ clears Barita banking platform rollout](#)

Main Event loss widens as revenue falls across key business lines

Main Event Entertainment Group Limited (MEEG) sank deeper into loss in its second quarter as revenue fell across most of its business lines, with hurricane disruption, weaker discretionary spending and redirected event business offsetting efforts to cut costs and stabilise operations.

[Main Event loss widens as revenue falls across key business lines](#)

FOSRICH RACES TO FIX CASH CRUNCH AFTER DEEPER LOSS

Electrical and lighting company FosRich Limited is moving aggressively to implement a five-point turnaround strategy aimed at restoring profitability and strengthening cash flow as it positions the business for sustainable growth after reporting a wider net loss in the first quarter of this year.

[FOSRICH RACES TO FIX CASH CRUNCH AFTER DEEPER LOSS](#)

Index	12/06/2026	05/06/2026	31/12/2025	Week/Week	Year-to-Date
JSE Main Market	341,287.00	336,149.93	317,986.88	1.53%	7.33%
JSE Junior Market	2,980.34	3,009.87	3,401.41	-0.98%	-12.38%
JSE Combined Market	347,710.14	343,012.24	328,444.54	1.37%	5.87%
JSE USD Equities Market	234.13	234.33	212.16	-0.09%	10.36%
JSE Financial Index	64.93	63.51	64.44	2.24%	0.76%
JSE M&D Index	116.10	115.16	106.01	0.82%	9.52%

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INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS

U.S.

Major U.S. stock indexes ended the volatile week higher as cautious optimism around a possible U.S.-Iran agreement, declining oil prices, and continued broadening beyond large-cap technology shares helped offset mixed inflation data and volatility in artificial intelligence (AI)-related stocks. Small-cap equities led the advance, with the Russell 2000 Index rising 3.9%, while the Dow Jones Industrial Average, S&P 500 Index, and Nasdaq Composite all added over 0.65%. The Russell 1000 Value Index outpaced its growth counterpart for the second week in a row.

Middle East developments remained a major driver of sentiment throughout the week, with investors initially looking past weekend missile exchanges between Iran and Israel before reports of additional U.S.-Iran hostilities raised escalation concerns. Risk appetite improved late in the week, however, following reports of progress toward a U.S.-Iran agreement and President Donald Trump's cancellation of planned strikes.

The highly anticipated initial public offering (IPO) of rocket and satellite company SpaceX was also a major focus during the week, with the company completing the largest IPO on record on Friday.

Headline inflation lifted by surging energy prices

Consumer prices rose at the fastest annual rate in over three years in May, according to data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The agency reported that its consumer price index (CPI) increased 4.2% year over year, the highest reading since April 2023, driven by a sharp rise in energy prices. However, the CPI rose 0.5% on a month-over-month basis, down from April's 0.6% increase and marking the second consecutive month of decelerating price growth. Core CPI—which excludes food and energy costs—also moderated, rising 0.2% compared with 0.4% in April.

Europe

The pan-European STOXX Europe 600 Index ended the week up 1.69% in local currency terms. European markets were mixed ahead of the European Central Bank's (ECB) interest rate decision on Thursday, and geopolitical tensions continued to weigh as the U.S. and Iran conducted military strikes. Sentiment improved at the end of the week on rising hopes that a peace agreement would be reached. Among major stock indexes, Germany's DAX closed 0.50% lower, France's CAC 40 Index rose 1.61%, and Italy's FTSE MIB gained 3.22%. The UK's FTSE 100 Index climbed 1.00%.

ECB hikes interest rates for first time since 2023

As widely expected, the ECB raised three of its key interest rates on Thursday, the first hike since September 2023. It noted that the outlook remains "uncertain," with upside risks for inflation and downside risks for economic growth. What remains unknown is the intensity and duration of the energy price shock and the scale of its indirect effects. The central bank also updated its inflation forecasts; it now expects headline inflation in the eurozone to average 3.0% in 2026, 2.3% in 2027, and 2.0% in 2028. It also revised downward its forecasts for gross domestic product (GDP) growth to 0.8% in 2026 and 1.2% in 2027.

Industrial output in Germany rises

German industrial production was up 0.4% month over month in April. This was in line with expectations and an improvement on the 0.1% decline registered in March. Construction, chemicals, and fabricated metals activity was particularly strong, while the automotive industry saw a fall in production of 4.7%.

Japan

Japan's stock markets declined over a highly volatile week, with the Nikkei 225 index falling 0.85% and the broader TOPIX Index down 1.70%. The losses were partly offset by a sharp rally on the final day of the week, as U.S. President Donald Trump pulled back threatened military strikes against Iran and invigorated hopes that the U.S. and Iran could be closer to signing a peace deal, which could pave the way for shipping in the Strait of Hormuz to restart.

T. Rowe Price

Index	12/06/2026	05/06/2026	31/12/2025	Week/Week	Year-to-Date
Dow Jones	51,202.26	50,866.78	48,063.29	0.66%	6.53%
S&P 500	7,431.46	7,383.74	6,845.50	0.65%	8.56%
NASDAQ 100	29,635.95	28,957.60	25,249.85	2.34%	17.37%
FTSE 100	10,471.72	10,368.05	9,931.38	1.00%	5.44%
Euro Stoxx 50	6,187.63	6,062.07	5,791.41	2.07%	6.84%

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- Fixed Income Trading
- Investment Banking Services
- Unit Trust Investments
- Currency Trading
- Structured Products
- Retirement Planning
- Wealth Planning
- Market Research

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