

JAMAICA



Population: 2 741 052
Income group: Middle
Gross national income per capita: US\$ 4 700

INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

Lead agency	National Road Safety Council (NRSC)
Funded in national budget	Yes
National road safety strategy	Yes
Funding to implement strategy	Yes, fully funded
Fatality reduction targets set	Yes (2008–2015)
Fatality reduction target	25%

SAFER ROADS AND MOBILITY

Formal audits required for new road construction	No
Regular inspections of existing road infrastructure	No
Policies to promote walking or cycling	Yes
Policies to encourage investment in public transport	Yes
Policies to separate road users to protect VRUs	Yes

SAFER VEHICLES

Total registered vehicles (2010)	502 265
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles	408 077
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers	3 985
Heavy trucks	70 157
Buses	20 046
Other	0
Vehicle standards applied	
UN World forum on harmonization of vehicles standards	No
New car assessment programme	No
Vehicle regulations	
Front and rear seat-belts required in all new cars	Yes
Front and rear seat-belts required all imported cars	Yes

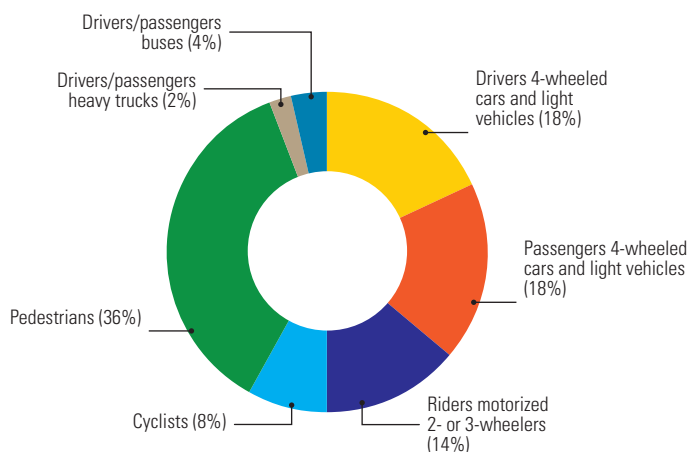
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Reported road traffic fatalities (2010)	319 ^a , 82%M, 18%F
Estimated GDP lost due to road traffic crashes	0.2% ^b

^a Police records. Defined as died within 30 days of crash.

^b 2010, Policy, Planning and Development Division.

DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY



Source: 2010, The Jamaica Constabulary Force (J.C.F.)

SAFER ROAD USERS

Penalty/demerit point system in place	Yes
National speed limits	Yes
Local authorities can set lower limits	No
Maximum limit urban roads	50 km/h
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
National drink-driving law	Yes
BAC limit – general population	0.08 g/dl
BAC limit – young or novice drivers	0.08 g/dl
BAC limit – professional/commercial drivers	0.08 g/dl
Random breath testing and/or police checkpoints	Yes
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
% road traffic deaths involving alcohol	2% ^c
National motorcycle helmet law	Yes
Applies to drivers and passengers	Yes
Helmet standard mandated	Yes
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Helmet wearing rate	6% Drivers ^d 5% Passengers ^d
National seat-belt law	Yes
Applies to front and rear seat occupants	Yes
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Seat-belt wearing rate	44% Front seats ^d 4% Rear seats ^d
National child restraint law	Yes
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
National law on mobile phones while driving	No
Law prohibits hand-held mobile phone use	—
Law also applies to hands-free mobile phones	—

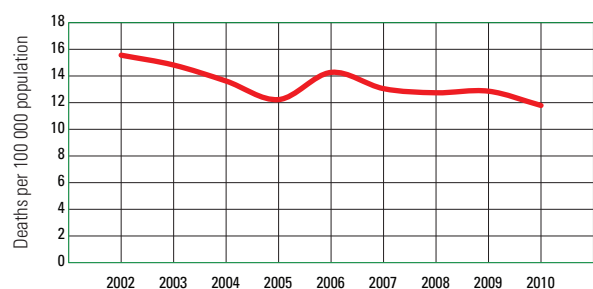
^c 2010, The Jamaica Constabulary Force.

^d Jamaica Health and Lifestyle Survey, 2007–2008.

POST-CRASH CARE

Vital registration system	Yes
Emergency Room based injury surveillance system	Yes
Emergency access telephone number(s)	Multiple numbers
Seriously injured transported by ambulance	≤10%
Permanently disabled due to road traffic crash	—
Emergency medicine training for doctors	Yes
Emergency medicine training for nurses	Yes

TRENDS IN ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS



Source: 2010, The Road Safety Unit.

Further data on each country can be found in the statistical annex.