

# JAMAICA



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

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

SAFER ROADS AND MOBILITY	
<b>Formal audits required for new road construction</b>	No
<b>Regular inspections of existing road infrastructure</b>	No
<b>Policies to promote walking or cycling</b>	Yes
<b>Policies to encourage investment in public transport</b>	Yes
<b>Policies to separate road users to protect VRUs</b>	Yes

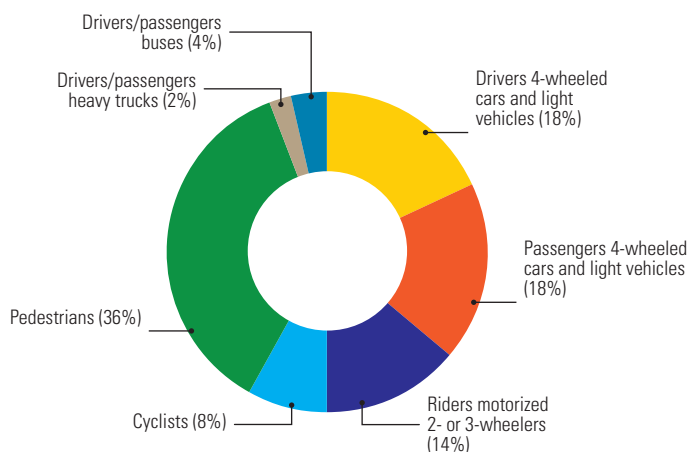
SAFER VEHICLES	
<b>Total registered vehicles (2010)</b>	502 265
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles	408 077
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers	3 985
Heavy trucks	70 157
Buses	20 046
Other	0
<b>Vehicle standards applied</b>	
UN World forum on harmonization of vehicles standards	No
New car assessment programme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

DATA	
<b>Reported road traffic fatalities (2010)</b>	319 <sup>a</sup> , 82%M, 18%F
<b>Estimated GDP lost due to road traffic crashes</b>	0.2% <sup>b</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Police records. Defined as died within 30 days of crash.

<sup>b</sup> 2010, Policy, Planning and Development Division.

## DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY



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

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

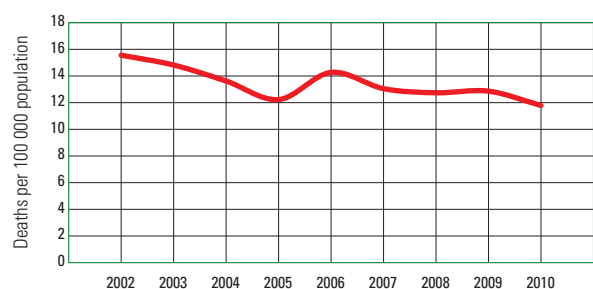
SAFER ROAD USERS	
<b>Penalty/demerit point system in place</b>	Yes
<b>National speed limits</b>	Yes
Local authorities can set lower limits	No
Maximum limit urban roads	50 km/h
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
<b>National drink-driving law</b>	Yes
BAC limit – general population	0.08 g/dl
BAC limit – 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% <sup>c</sup>
<b>National motorcycle helmet law</b>	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 <sup>d</sup> 5% Passengers <sup>d</sup>
<b>National seat-belt law</b>	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 <sup>d</sup> 4% Rear seats <sup>d</sup>
<b>National child restraint law</b>	Yes
Enforcement	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
<b>National law on mobile phones while driving</b>	No
Law prohibits hand-held mobile phone use	—
Law also applies to hands-free mobile phones	—

<sup>c</sup> 2010, The Jamaica Constabulary Force.

<sup>d</sup> Jamaica Health and Lifestyle Survey, 2007–2008.

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

## TRENDS IN ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS



Source: 2010, The Road Safety Unit.