

# JAMAICA

Population: 2 783 888 • Income group: Middle • Gross national income per capita: US\$ 5 220



INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK	
Lead agency	National Road Safety Council
Funded in national budget	Yes
National road safety strategy	Yes
Funding to implement strategy	Partially funded
Fatality reduction target	<240 (2013–2016)

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

SAFER VEHICLES	
Total registered vehicles for 2013	518 239
Cars and 4-wheeled light vehicles	395 439
Motorized 2- and 3-wheelers	11 453
Heavy trucks	111 347
Buses	—
Other	0
Vehicle standards applied <sup>a</sup>	
Frontal impact standard	No
Electronic stability control	No
Pedestrian protection	No

<sup>a</sup> UNECE WP29.

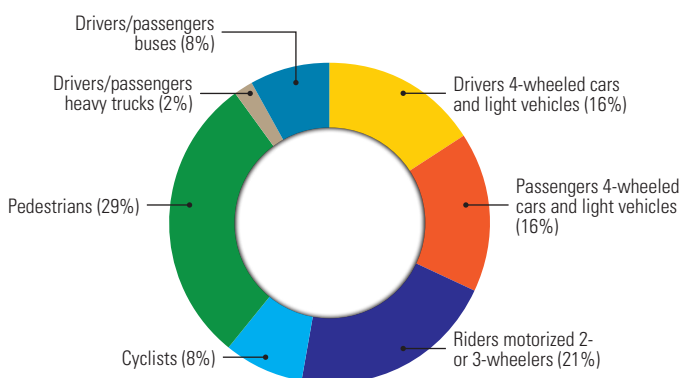
POST-CRASH CARE	
Emergency room injury surveillance system	Yes
Emergency access telephone numbers	911
Permanently disabled due to road traffic crash	—

DATA	
Reported road traffic fatalities (2013)	307 <sup>b</sup> (80% M, 20%F)
WHO estimated road traffic fatalities	320
WHO estimated rate per 100 000 population	11.5
Estimated GDP lost due to road traffic crashes	0.2% <sup>c</sup>

<sup>b</sup> Jamaica Constabulary Force. Defined as died within 30 days of crash.

<sup>c</sup> 2010, Policy Planning and Development Division, Ministry of Health, Jamaica.

## DEATHS BY ROAD USER CATEGORY

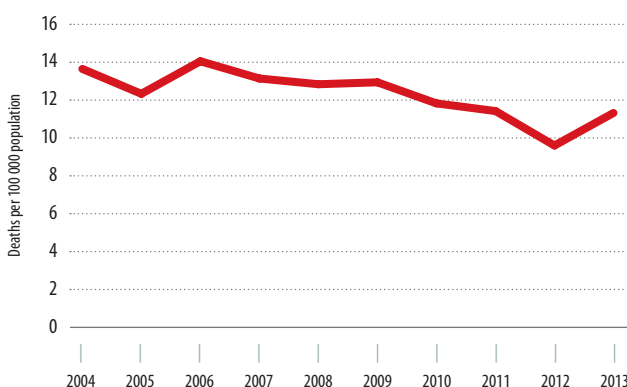


Source: Jamaica Constabulary Force (data from 2013).

SAFER ROAD USERS	
National speed limit law	Yes
Max urban speed limit	~48 km/h
Max rural speed limit	~80 km/h
Max motorway speed limit	No
Local authorities can modify limits	No
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
Random breath testing carried out	No
Enforcement	0 1 2 ③ 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
% road traffic deaths involving alcohol	—
National motorcycle helmet law	Yes
Applies to drivers and passengers	Yes
Law requires helmet to be fastened	Yes
Law refers to helmet standard	Yes
Enforcement	0 ① 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Helmet wearing rate	6% All riders <sup>d</sup>
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	54% Front seats <sup>d</sup> , 4% Rear seats <sup>d</sup>
National child restraint law	Yes
Restrictions on children sitting in front seat	No
Child restraint law based on	—
Enforcement	0 ① 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
% children using child restraints	—
National law on mobile phone use while driving	No
Law prohibits hand-held mobile phone use	—
Law also applies to hands-free phones	—
National drug-driving law	Yes

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

## TRENDS IN REPORTED ROAD TRAFFIC DEATHS



Source: Jamaica Constabulary Force.