

Jamaica

| Latin America & Caribbean | | Lower middle income | |
|--|------|---|-------|
| Population (millions, 2006) | 3 | Surface area (1,000 sq. km, 2006) | 11 |
| Population growth (avg. annual %, 1997–2006) | 0.6 | GNI (\$ billions, 2006) | 9 |
| Population density (people per sq. km, 2006) | 246 | GNI per capita, Atlas method (\$, 2006) | 3,480 |
| Labor force (millions, 2006) | 1 | GDP growth (avg. annual %, 2002–2006) | 2 |
| Urban population (% of pop., 2006) | 53.4 | Poverty headcount ratio at national | |
| Age dependency ratio | 0.62 | poverty line (% of pop., 2004) | 0.5 |

Emigration, 2005

- Stock of emigrants: 1,037,599
- Stock of emigrants as percentage of population: 39.1%
- Top 10 destination countries: United States, United Kingdom, Canada, Cayman Islands, Cuba, Bahamas, Antigua and Barbuda, Germany, Netherlands Antilles, Netherlands.

Skilled Emigration, 2000

- Emigration rate of tertiary educated: 82.5%
- Emigration of physicians: 569 or 16.7% of physicians trained in the country

Immigration, 2005

- Stock of immigrants: 17,645
- Stock of immigrants as percentage of population: 0.7%
- Female as percentage of immigrants: 52.5%
- Refugees as percentage of immigrants: 0.0%
- Top 10 source countries: United Kingdom, Cuba, China, United States, India, Canada, Trinidad and Tobago, Barbados, Guyana, Cayman Islands.

Remittances

| (US\$ million) | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007e |
|---------------------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| Inward remittance flows | 892 | 1,058 | 1,261 | 1,399 | 1,623 | 1,783 | 1,946* | 2,021 |
| <i>of which</i> | | | | | | | | |
| Workers' remittances | 790 | 940 | 1,131 | 1,270 | 1,466 | 1,621 | 1,769 | .. |
| Compensation of employees | 88 | 107 | 111 | 110 | 135 | 140 | 154 | .. |
| Migrants' transfer | 14 | 12 | 19 | 19 | 22 | 22 | 23 | .. |
| Outward remittance flows | 179 | 217 | 278 | 341 | 425 | 394 | 385** | .. |
| <i>of which</i> | | | | | | | | |
| Workers' remittances | 131 | 147 | 213 | 283 | 340 | 317 | 300 | .. |
| Compensation of employees | 21 | 32 | 29 | 39 | 51 | 52 | 58 | .. |
| Migrants' transfer | 27 | 38 | 36 | 19 | 34 | 25 | 27 | .. |

* 18.5% of GDP in 2006. **3.7% of GDP in 2006. This table reports officially recorded remittances. The true size of remittances, including unrecorded flows through formal and informal channels, is believed to be larger. Total flows may not always equal the sum of the components as they may have been taken from alternative sources.

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