

2.3 Jamaica Road Network Assessment

Road Overview



Jamaica's main road network consists of approximately 5000 km of class A, B and C roads. This network forms 19% of the total road surface available to a nation which relies almost exclusively on roads as the means of moving around the island. More than 90% of the main road network is paved. Jamaica also has 736 bridges on its main road network.

There are also parochial roads (14,895 km), farm roads (1,500 km) and community roads (4,200 km).

For more information on government contact details, please see the following link: [4.1 Jamaica Government Contact List](#)

Distance Matrix

Distances from Capital City to Major Towns (km)								
	Kingston	Portmore	Spanish Town	Ocho Rios	Montego Bay	Port Antonio	Savanna-la-Mar	Mandeville
Kingston		13 km	21 km	82 km	183 km	89 km	195 km	95 km
Portmore	13 km		14 km	79 km	175 km	101 km	188 km	93 km
Spanish Town	21 km	14 km		113 km	159 km	103 km	175 km	77 km
Ocho Rios	82 km	79 km	113 km		100 km	98 km	148 km	100 km
Montego Bay	183 km	190 km	158 km	100 km		200 km	50 km	105 km
Port Antonio	87 km	98 km	103 km	98 km	196 km		252 km	180 km
Savanna-la-Mar	195 km	188 km	175 km	148 km	50 km	252 km		103 km

Mandeville	93 km	13 km	77 km	100 km	105 km	180 km	103 km	
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Travel Time from Capital City to Major Towns (Hours and Minutes)								
	Kingston	Portmore	Spanish Town	Ocho Rios	Montego Bay	Port Antonio	Savanna-la-Mar	Mandeville
Kingston		25 m	40 m	2 hr	3 hr 30 m	2 hr 25 m	3 hr 15 m	1 hr 30 m
Portmore	25 m		22 m	1 hr 40 m	3 hr 15 m	2 hr 30 m	3 hr	1 hr 25 m
Spanish Town	40 m	22 m		1 hr 15 m	2 hr 55 m	2 hr 30 m	3 hr	1 hr 15 m
Ocho Rios	2 hr	1 hr 40 m	1 hr 15 m		1 hr 45 m	2 hr	2 hr 45 m	2 hr 25 m
Montego Bay	3 hr 30 m	3 hr 15 m	2 hr 55 m	1 hr 45 m		3 hr 40 m	1 hr 15 m	2 hr 40 m
Port Antonio	2 hr 25 m	2 hr 30 m	2 hr 30 m	2 hr	3 hr 40 m		4 hr 45 m	3 hr 30 m
Savanna-la-Mar	3 hr 15 m	3 hr	3 hr	2 hr 45 m	1 hr 15 m	4 hr 45 m		2 hr
Mandeville	1 hr 30 m	1 hr 25 m	1 hr 15 m	2 hr 25 m	2 hr 40 m	3 hr 30 m	2 hr	

Road Security

Security in Jamaica is generally good, with few incidents. The UN has an appointed UNDDSS office with a security officer who liaises directly with local police units; this contact will make arrangements with them to provide security escorts.