**GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2019**

- **Population**: 2.948 Millions
- **Land area**: (n) 10 830 km²
- **Exchange rate**: 133.312 JMD/US$
- **CPI growth**: 3.91 %
- **GDP growth**: 1.70 %
- **GDP**: 16 053 Millions current US$

**INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE**

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<th>Total merchandise trade (millions of US$)</th>
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<td>Merchandise exports</td>
<td>1 532</td>
<td>1 328</td>
<td>1 263</td>
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<td>Merchandise imports</td>
<td>4 739</td>
<td>5 225</td>
<td>4 993</td>
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<td>Merchandise trade balance</td>
<td>-3 208</td>
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**Export structure by product group in 2019**

- All food items: 53 %
- Ores and metals: 22 %
- Fuels: 19 %
- Manufactured goods: 6 %
- Other: 0 %

**INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN SERVICES**

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<td>Services exports</td>
<td>2 330</td>
<td>2 634</td>
<td>3 059</td>
<td>(e) 4 336</td>
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<td>Services imports</td>
<td>1 722</td>
<td>1 924</td>
<td>2 161</td>
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<td>Services trade balance</td>
<td>608</td>
<td>810</td>
<td>898</td>
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**Services exports by main category**

- **Transport**: 19.4 %
- **Travel**: 66.3 %
- **Other services**: 14.3 %

**TRADE INDICES**

**ECONOMIC TRENDS**

- **GDP, current**: 11 244 to 16 053
- **GDP per capita, current US$**: 4 104 to 5 445
- **Real GDP growth, y-on-y, %**: 0.89 to 1.70
- **Current account balance, % of GDP**: -9.53 to (e) -1.57
- **Exchange rate (/US$)**: 62.281 to 133.312

**GDP by expenditure in 2018**

- **Household Consumption**: 76.3%
- **General government final consumption expenditure**: 13.5%
- **Gross Capital Formation**: 23.3%
- **Exports**: 38.0%
- **Imports**: 51.1%
## Financial flows

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<td>FDI inflows</td>
<td>682.48</td>
<td>227.67</td>
<td>924.98</td>
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<td>FDI outflows</td>
<td>101.00</td>
<td>58.22</td>
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<td>Personal remittances, % of GDP</td>
<td>15.67</td>
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## Financial flows trends

![Graph of financial flows trends]

## TRADE IN GOODS AND SERVICES

### Trade balance indicators²

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<td>Balance, % of GDP</td>
<td>-17.55</td>
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<td>Balance, % of imports</td>
<td>-33.07</td>
<td>-37.95</td>
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<td>Normalized balance</td>
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<td>(sum of imports and exports as % of GDP)</td>
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## LABOUR FORCE

### Labour force by gender in 2019

- Male: 54%
- Female: 46%

## OTHER INDICATORS

### Maritime transport indicators

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<td>Merchant fleet, national flag (thousands of DWT)</td>
<td>186</td>
<td>353</td>
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<td>Liner shipping connectivity index (maximum 2006 = 100 for China)</td>
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<td>22.35</td>
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<td>Container port throughput (TEU)</td>
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<td>1 891 770</td>
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### Information economy indicators

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<td>Share of ICT goods, % of total exports</td>
<td>0.30</td>
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<td>Share of ICT goods, % of total imports</td>
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<td>Share of workforce involved in the ICT sector</td>
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JAMAICA

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Abbreviations & acronyms:
DWT:  Dead weight tons
FDI:  Foreign direct investment
GDP:  Gross domestic product
ICT:  Information and communication technology
TEU:  Twenty foot equivalent unit
US$:  United States dollar

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