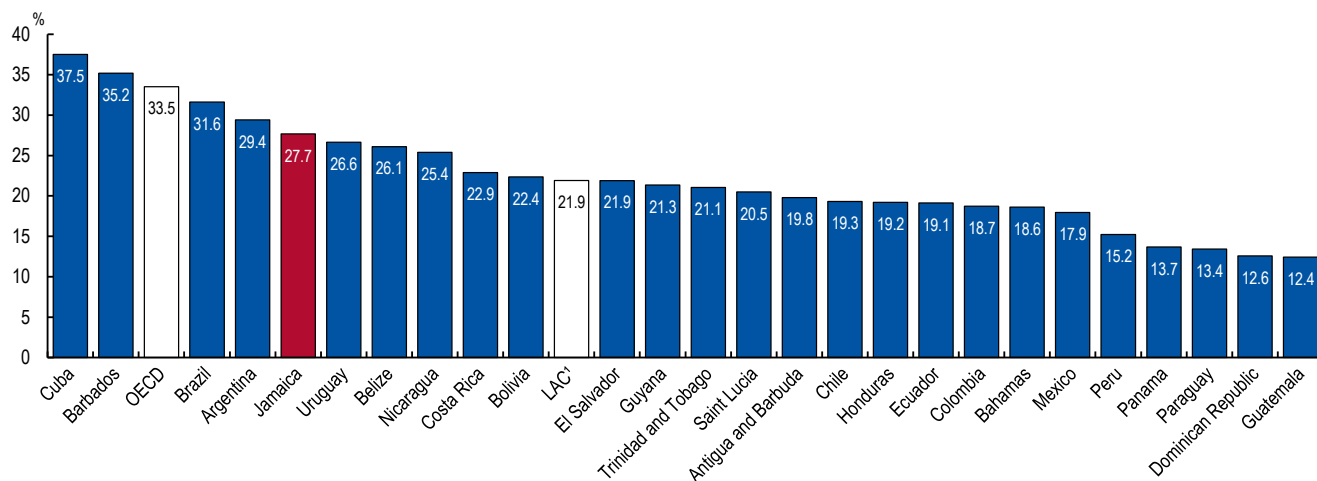


Revenue Statistics in Latin America and the Caribbean 2022 - Jamaica

Tax-to-GDP ratio

Tax-to-GDP ratio compared to other Latin American and Caribbean (LAC) countries and regional averages, 2020

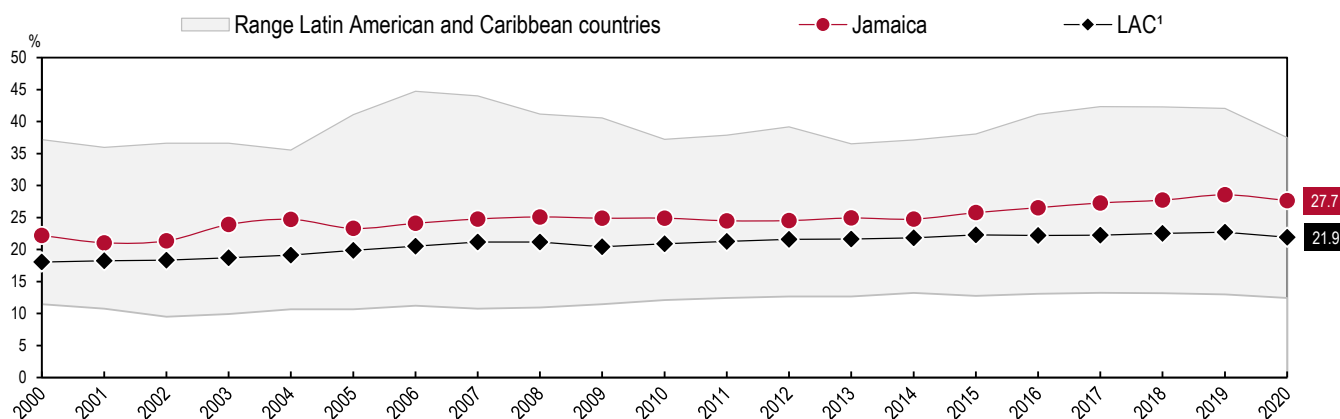
Jamaica's tax-to-GDP ratio in 2020 (27.7%) was above the LAC average (21.9%)¹ in this year's Revenue Statistics in Latin America and the Caribbean publication by 5.8 percentage points and below the OECD average (33.5%).



1. Represents the unweighted average of 26 Latin American and Caribbean countries included in this publication and excludes Venezuela due to data availability issues.

Tax-to-GDP ratio over time

The tax-to-GDP ratio in Jamaica decreased by 0.9 percentage points from 28.6% in 2019 to 27.7% in 2020. In comparison, the LAC average decreased by 0.8 percentage points between 2019 and 2020 to 21.9%. Over a longer time period, the LAC average has increased by 3.9 percentage points, from 18.0% in 2000 to 21.9% in 2020, whereas over the same period the tax-to-GDP ratio in Jamaica has increased by 5.5 percentage points, from 22.2% to 27.7%. Since 2000, the highest tax-to-GDP ratio in Jamaica was 28.6% in 2019, and the lowest was 21.1% in 2001.



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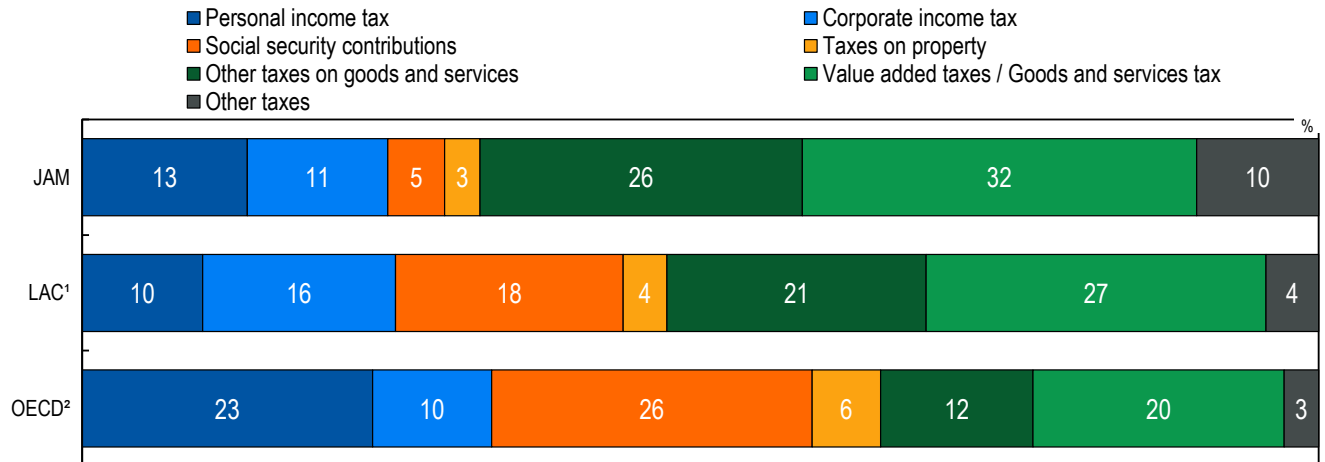
In the OECD classification the term "taxes" is confined to compulsory unrequited payments to general government. Taxes are unrequited in the sense that benefits provided by government to taxpayers are not normally in proportion to their payments. <http://www.oecd.org/tax/tax-policy/oecd-classification-taxes-interpretative-guide.pdf>



Tax structures

Tax structure compared to the regional averages

Tax structure refers to the share of each tax revenue category in total tax revenues. The highest share of tax revenues in Jamaica in 2020 was derived from value added taxes / goods and services tax (31.9%). The second-highest share of tax revenues in 2020 was derived from other taxes on goods and services (26.1%).



1. Represents the unweighted average of 26 LAC countries included in this publication and excludes Venezuela due to data availability issues. Ecuador is excluded from the LAC average for CIT and PIT revenue as a sufficient breakdown is not available.

2. Data for 2019 are used for the OECD average as the 2020 data are not available. All figures within the chart are rounded.

Summary of the tax structure in Jamaica

	Tax revenues in national currency			Tax structure in Jamaica		
	Jamaican Dollar, Millions			% in GDP		
	2019	2020	Δ	2019	2020	Δ
Taxes on income, profits and capital gains ¹	155 140	155 632	+ 492	7.4	7.9	+ 0.5
<i>of which</i>						
Personal income, profits and gains	69 323	72 692	+ 3 369	3.3	3.7	+ 0.4
Corporate income, profits and gains	67 623	61 823	- 5 800	3.2	3.1	- 0.1
Social security contributions	24 569	24 994	+ 425	1.2	1.3	+ 0.1
Taxes on property	19 117	15 600	- 3 517	0.9	0.8	- 0.1
Taxes on goods and services	370 321	315 268	- 55 054	17.5	16.0	- 1.5
<i>of which</i>						
Value added taxes / Goods and services tax	199 150	173 480	- 25 670	9.4	8.8	- 0.6
Taxes on specific goods and services	160 133	130 658	- 29 475	7.6	6.6	- 1.0
<i>of which</i>						
Excises	80 773	69 949	- 10 825	3.8	3.6	- 0.2
Customs and import duties	44 809	40 420	- 4 390	2.1	2.1	0.0
Other taxes ²	33 445	32 637	- 808	1.6	1.7	+ 0.1
TOTAL	602 592	544 129	- 58 462	28.6	27.7	- 0.9

1. The revenue from taxes on income, profits and gains may not add up to the sum of revenue from personal income tax and corporate income tax due to revenue that could not be allocated to these categories.

2. In this country note, "other taxes" is calculated as total tax minus taxes on income, profits and capital gains, social security contributions, taxes on property and taxes on goods and services. It includes taxes on payroll and workforce, and other taxes (as defined in the OECD Interpretative Guide).

Tax revenue includes net receipts for all levels of government; figures in the table may not sum to the total indicated due to rounding.

