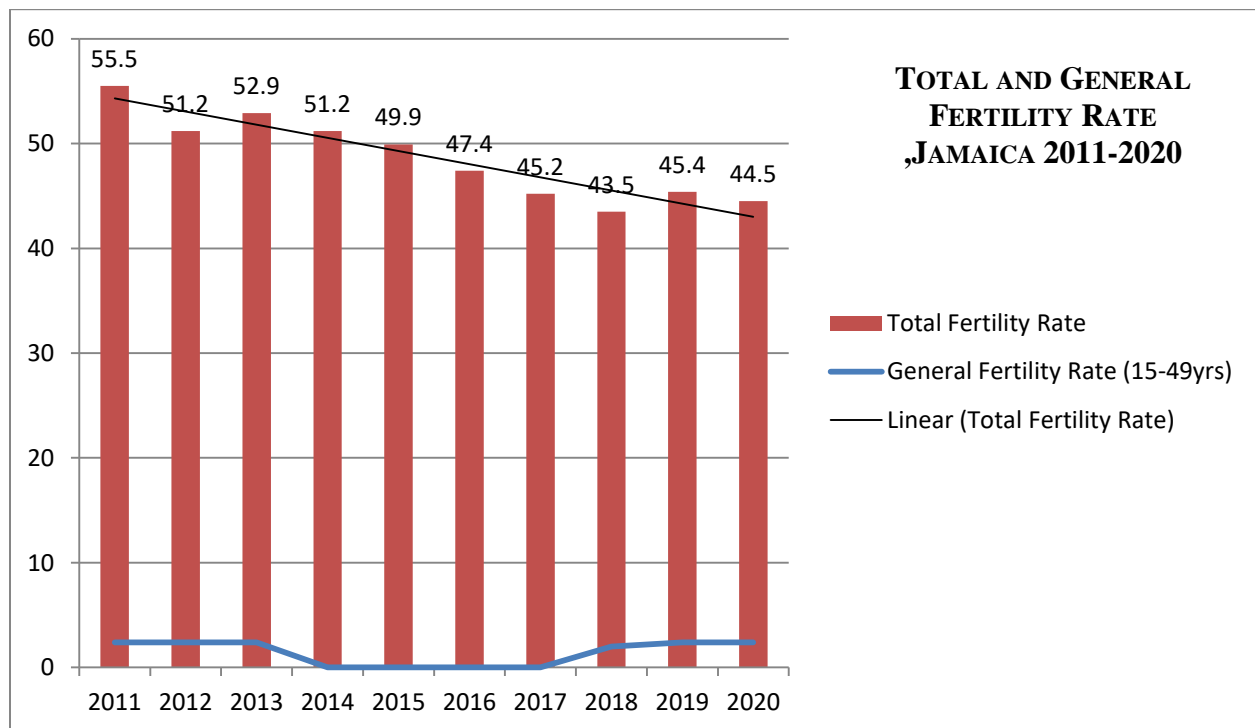


## TOTAL AND GENERAL FERTILITY RATES , JAMAICA 2011 - 2020

### Definitions:

**Total Fertility Rate** - The average number of children a hypothetical cohort of women would have at the end of their reproductive period if they were subject during their whole lives to the fertility rates of a given period and if they were not subject to mortality. It is expressed as children per woman<sup>1</sup>

**General Fertility Rate** – This is the number of live births in a geographic area in a year per 1000 women of childbearing age, which in this case, is defined as age 15 to 49 years.



It is observed that for the period defined, the General Fertility Rate has been trending downward, from a high of 55.5 percent in 2011 to a low of 43.5 percent in 2018. The proceeding years 2019 and 2020 show higher values for the General Fertility Rate, being 45.4 and 44.5 percent respectively; however, the trend is consistent.

On the other hand the Total Fertility Rate remains flat for the entire period. The values for the period range from a low of 0.0 to a high of 2.4 percent. Mean fertility rate for the period is 1.4.

<sup>1</sup> Source: World Health Organisation, <https://www.who.int/data/gho/indicator-metadata-registry/imr-details/123>