

**Jamaica**  
**Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats**

<b>STRENGTHS</b>	The Jamaican Constitution guarantees freedom of expression and of the press, and Governments over the years have largely abided by its provisions. This environment seems likely to continue, with no immediate threats on the horizon. Jamaica is considered one of the most secure nations for journalists.
<b>WEAKNESSES</b>	Individual members of government criticize the press frequently but that is their right under the Constitution.
<b>OPPORTUNITIES</b>	The Government has established a reliable weekly press briefing at which members of the media can raise any complaints they have and seek information on a wide range of issues. With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, media briefings have increased, allowing greater access to government officials.
<b>THREATS</b>	COVID-19 restrictions could adversely impact freedom of movement of journalists.

