



Prime Minister of Jamaica

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The **Prime Minister of Jamaica** is Jamaica's head of government, currently Andrew Holness. Holness, as leader of the governing Jamaica Labour Party (JLP), was sworn in as Prime Minister on 3 March 2016, succeeding People's National Party (PNP) leader Portia Simpson-Miller.^[1] This was a result of the JLP's victory in Jamaica's 25 February 2016 general election.

The Prime Minister is formally appointed into office by the Governor General of Jamaica, who represents Elizabeth II, the Queen of Jamaica (Jamaica's Head of State).

Official residence

The Prime Minister of Jamaica's official residence is Vale Royal. The property was constructed in 1694 by the planter Sir William Taylor, Taylor was one of the richest men in Jamaica at the time. In 1928 the property was sold to the government and became the official residence of the British Colonial Secretary (then Sir Reginald Edward Stubbs). Vale Royal has subsequently become the official residence of the Prime Minister. Vale Royal is not open to the public.

Chief Ministers of Jamaica (1953–1959)

Prime Minister of Jamaica



Arms of Her Majesty's Jamaican Government



Standard of the Prime Minister of Jamaica

File:Andrew Holness cropped.jpg

Incumbent


Andrew Holness

since 3 March 2016


Style	The Most Honourable
Residence	Vale Royal
Appointer	Governor-General of Jamaica
Term length	At Her Majesty's pleasure 5 years
Inaugural holder	Sir William Bustamante as Chief Minister of Jamaica
Formation	5 May 1955
Salary	\$7,271,283JMD apx* Annually
Website	<u>www.opm.jm</u> (<u>http://www.opm.gov.jm/</u>)












Front Lawns of Vale Royal

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<div>style="background:Template:People's National Party/meta/color; color:white;" 2</div>		<u>Norman Manley</u> (1893–1969)	2 February 1955	14 August 1959	<u>1955</u>	Pec

Premiers of Jamaica (1959–1962)

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Notes

[^][†] Died in office

By tenure

Rank by length of terms	Prime Minister	Took office	Left office	Length by time served	Administrations	Elected	Political affiliation
1	<u>P. J. Patterson</u>	30 March 1992	30 March 2006	14 years	1	<u>1993</u> <u>1997</u> <u>2002</u>	<u>People's National Party</u>
2	<u>Michael Manley</u>	2 March 1972 10 February 1989	1 November 1980 30 March 1992	11 years, 292 days (8 years, 244 days; 3 years, 48 days)	2	<u>1972</u> <u>1976</u> <u>1989</u>	<u>People's National Party</u>
3	<u>Edward Seaga</u>	1 November 1980	10 February 1989	8 years, 101 days	1	<u>1980</u> <u>1983</u>	<u>Jamaica Labour Party</u>
4	<u>Portia Simpson Miller</u>	30 March 2006 5 January 2012	11 September 2007 3 March 2016	5 years, 167 days (1 year, 165 days; 4 years, 58 days)	2	<u>2011</u>	<u>People's National Party</u>
5	<u>Hugh Shearer</u>	11 April 1967	2 March 1972	4 years, 326 days	1		<u>Jamaica Labour Party</u>
6	<u>Alexander Bustamante</u>	29 April 1962	23 February 1967	4 years, 300 days	1	<u>1962</u>	<u>Jamaica Labour Party</u>
7	<u>Bruce Golding</u>	11 September 2007	23 October 2011	4 years, 42 days	1	<u>2007</u>	<u>Jamaica Labour Party</u>
8	Andrew Holness (incumbent)	23 October 2011 3 March 2016	5 January 2012 present	8 years, 110 days (74 days; 8 years, 36 days)	2	<u>2016</u>	<u>Jamaica Labour Party</u>
9	<u>Donald Sangster</u>	23 February 1967	11 April 1967	47 days	1	<u>1967</u>	<u>Jamaica Labour Party</u>

See also

- Governor-General of Jamaica

References

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External links

- Government of Jamaica - Office of the Prime Minister (<http://www.opm.gov.jm/>) - *Official website*

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