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## NEWS RELEASE

### **Population and Housing Census 2011 Education**

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The Population and Housing Census 2011 Volume 4 – Education, one in the series of subject reports from the Population and Housing Census 2011, has been released by the Statistical Institute of Jamaica.

The main areas covered in the report are - levels of educational attainment and enrolment.

The report indicates that 1.045 million or 53 percent of the population 15 years and older had attained at least secondary level education. This was an increase of 70,000 more persons of the similar age, over the figure for the 2001 census. The number of persons attaining university level education increased from 74,000 in 2001 to 122,000 in 2011.

The data, when disaggregated by sex and by level of educational attainment, (of the persons 15 years and older) showed that women were dominant at higher levels. In 2011, about 16 per cent of the female population 15 years and older had attained university or other tertiary level education, compared to nine per cent for men. The number of females attaining university level increased by 82 per cent from 42,300 in 2001 to 77,100 in 2011; while the numbers of males increased by 70 per cent from 31,500 in 2001 to 44,800 in 2011.

School enrolment (enrolled in schools and/or in an education programme) for 4–17 year olds was 94 per cent in 2011, up from 91 per cent in 2001. In 2011, enrolment rates varied from 96 per cent at age 4 to 99 per cent at age 8 years. There was, however, a steady decline in enrolment rates beginning at age 15 (95 per cent), age 16 (89 per cent) to age 17 (71 per cent).

**The Population and Housing Census 2011 Volume 4 on Education outlines additional information and is available at our Distribution Office, 7 Cecelio Avenue Kingston 10.**