

- Association founded 1910
- Affiliated to FIFA in 1962



Flag



Association emblem



World map



Football in Jamaica

Football is clearly the number one sport in Jamaica, closely followed by cricket and athletics. Jamaica have qualified on five occasions for the CONCACAF continental championship (Gold Cup), finishing third in 1993 and fourth in 1998. However, the island's greatest day came in 1998 with the national team's debut appearance at the FIFA World Cup™ finals in France. Qualification for the FIFA World Youth Championship 2001 and the FIFA U-17 World Championship 1999 is evidence of the excellent work being carried out at youth level. John Barnes (a Jamaican-born player who played many games for Liverpool FC and England) is still the most famous player from the island. Frank Sinclair, Fitzroy Simpson and Paul Hall are three other Jamaican players who have played at the very highest level of English football.

Goal project

Jamaica has been on the list of beneficiary countries since 2003. On 15 October 2003, a project to build a technical centre was approved, and this project underwent changes before being submitted for final approval on 15 March 2006. A building in Malvern St. Elizabeth will be purchased and transformed into a training centre complete with accommodation facilities that will offer excellent conditions for all levels. Funds from the FIFA Financial Assistance Programme and the Jamaican FA also financed the construction of headquarters for the association in Kingston, which FIFA President Joseph S. Blatter opened in May 1999. These modern facilities enable the Jamaican FA to complete its daily work, to plan and introduce new projects and to coordinate the domestic championships.



Financing of Goal project

Project

Purchase and transformation of property into a training centre in Malvern, St. Elizabeth

Project approved on

15 March 2006

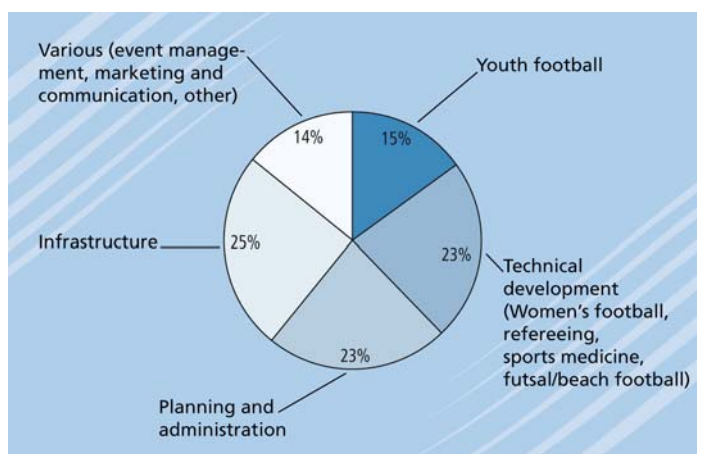
Status

Implementation

Financed by

Goal	USD	400,000
FAP	USD	173,000
Association	USD	161,000
Total cost	USD	734,000

Use of FAP funds



Football education and courses	No of courses until 1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
		FUTURO III regional courses																			
Refereeing (men and women)																					
Coaching (men)															☐						
Coaching (women)																					
Administration and management																					
Football medicine																					
Seminars																					
Women's football																					
Futsal																					
Com-Unity																					
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MA courses																					
Administration																					
Refereeing (men and women)			●				●													●	
Coaching (men and women)																					
Beach soccer																					
Futsal																					
Olympic solidarity coaching courses			●							●								●			
Development courses and academies (1975 - 1990)	2		●																		
FUTURO I-II courses for all football branches																					

●: Course host country ☐: Course participant in another country

Women's football

When, in 1995, today's FIFA President said "The future of football is feminine", it was more than mere lip service. It reflected a strong belief in the huge potential that women's football has to develop. Ever since, FIFA has given targeted support for the efforts of associations who offer women the same opportunities to develop as male players. Launched in 1998, FIFA's Financial Assistance Programme (FAP) introduced a requirement in 2004 for the associations and confederations to invest at least 4% of their FAP funding into women's football. This threshold was increased to 10% in 2005. On top of this commitment, FIFA also promotes the women's game in more general ways by directly financing women's matches and organising competitions and symposiums. Thanks to its development programmes, FIFA is also playing an active role in the training of administrators, coaches, referees and sports doctors.

Does an organised women's football set-up exist?	yes
If so, since when?	2000
From which age on, players are registered?	13
Women's teams (open or over 16 years)	24
Women's teams (below 16 years, youth)	94
National competition (or women's league)	yes
Regional competitions	n/a
University competitions	yes
School competitions	yes
Futsal competitions	no
National "A" team	yes
National youth teams: age categories	U-17, U-20

