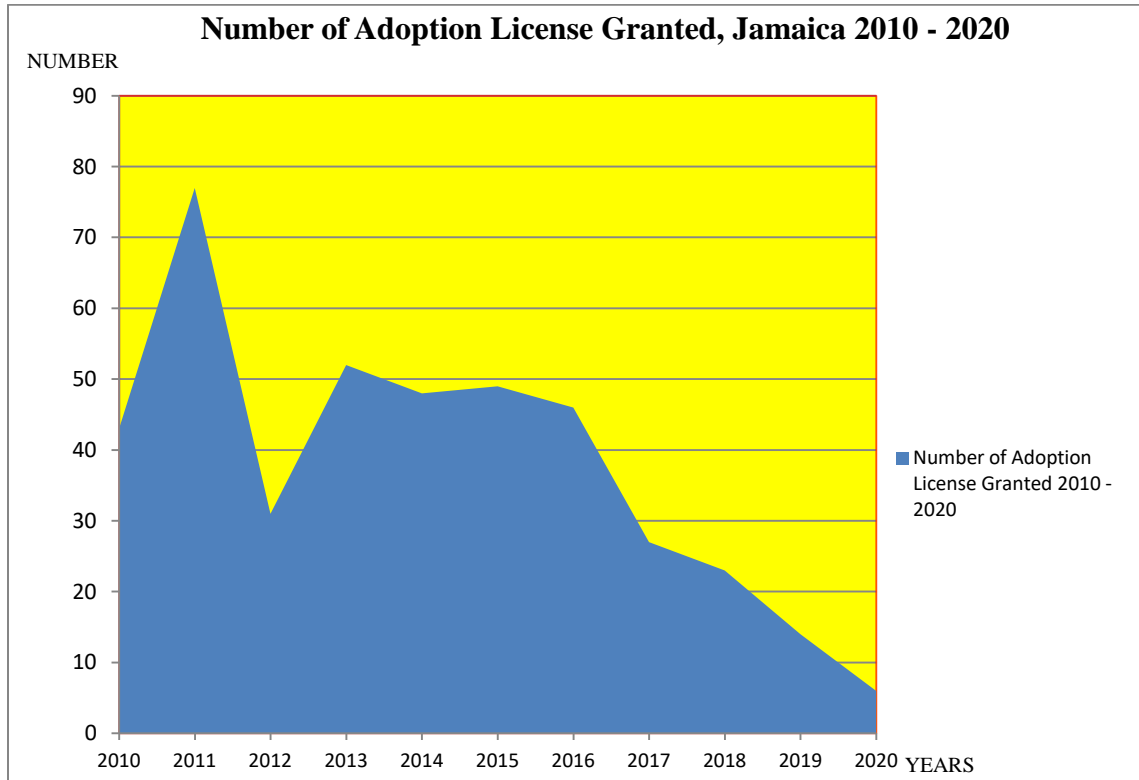


NUMBER OF ADOPTION LICENCES GRANTED, JAMAICA 2010-2020

Definition: This is a permit granted to person(s) authorizing the care and possession of a child for whom adoption arrangements have been made in the country from which the request originated. This indicator provides the number of Adoption licenses granted by a local Resident Magistrate’s Court or Family Court regarding applications made from overseas.



		Number of Adoption License Granted 2010 - 2020										
Total		43	77	31	52	48	49	46	27	23	14	6
Years		2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020

The graph above shows the number of adoption licenses granted by the court from 2010 to 2020. The number of adoption licenses approved for the children have been trending downward for the period of review. Even though the overall trend is downward the pattern was generally cyclic from 2010 to 2016; however, since 2017 the pattern appears linear, trending downward. It should be noted that the mean number adoption licenses granted by the Jamaican courts is approximately 39 per year.

It was observed that in 2011 the greatest number of adoption licenses was granted (77) while in 2020 the lowest number of licenses was approved (6).