

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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Bog Walk Summary Profile

Development Area: Linstead

Constituency: St. Catherine East Central

Community: Bog Walk

Districts: Spring Vale, Content, Giblatore, August Town, Berwick, Bog Walk Proper, Church Road, Kent Village, Knollis, Lucky Valley, Penn District, Shenton, West Prospect, Princess Field and Burton

Community Borders:

North: Riversdale/Linstead
South: Angels/Kitson Town
East: Harkers Hall/ Sligoville

West: Linstead

Community Representation

Members of Parliament: Mrs. Natalie Neita-Headley

Community Priority Issues

- 1. High levels of unemployment and youth unemployment
- **2.** Limited or no opportunity for training and employment
- 3. Low skills level
- **4.** Poor representation by elected political leaders

Number of active Community

Based Organizations: Thirty Six (36)

Demographic Data

- Estimated population size 15,389
- Estimated Number of Dwellings 3,946
- Average household Size 3.9
- 58% of households were headed by males
- An estimated 59% of household members had no academic qualification.
- Approximately 23% of household heads were unemployed

Age Sex Distribution of Population

Age	Male	Female	Average
Cohort			Total
0-14	14.6	15.4	30.0
15-24	8.5	8.7	17.3
25-29	2.6	4.1	6.7
30-64	17.6	20.1	37.8
65+	4.1	4.2	8.3
TOTAL	47.4	52.6	100.0

Social and Physical Amenities

Housing	● 60% of houses within the community were constructed with block; 32% with	
	concrete & block; 5% with concrete only and 3% with board.	
	Approximately 58% of the households owned the land on which they lived and	
	79.5% owned the building in which they reside.	
	Housing condition ranges from very poor to very good. Approximately 70% of the	
	houses were rated as being good (60%) to very good (10%).	
Utilities	Most of the households had portable water supply (piped water)	
	Approximately 95% of the households used electricity for lighting	
Communication	Telephone services were utilized by some 97% of households, with the majority	
	being cellular users. 84.1% of the households were users of only cellular phones.	
Sanitation	nitation 977.9% of the households disposed of their garbage by burning and 37% utilize	
	services of the garbage trucks.	
	Pit latrines (43%), followed by Sewers/WC unlinked (37.8%) and linked (20.6%) to	
	sewer (61.7%) were the most popular toilet facilities present among households.	

Data was compiled from socio-economic survey conducted by SDC, 2009. A comprehensive community profile of Bog Walk can be obtained at the St. Catherine Parish Office, 1Port Henderson Road, Spanish Town, St. Catherine

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