



Jamaica's Experience: Drug Supply Data

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Supply Statistics Agency

- ❖ The Narcotics Division (1974)
 - ✓ Unit within the Criminal Investigation Branch of the Jamaica Constabulary Force (JCF)
- ❖ JCF's lead investigative arm on:
 - ✓ Matters relating to narcotics trafficking
 - ✓ Criminal investigations targeting the top tier drug syndicates and their networks
 - ✓ Oversight and management of the secure disposal of narcotic seizures
- ❖ Local and international partners
 - ✓ Special Intelligence Unit
 - ✓ Special Investigative Unit
 - ✓ Contraband Enforcement Team
 - ✓ US, Canada UK
- ❖ Transition Phases 2009 - Transnational Crime and Narcotics Division (TCND)
 - 2015 - Counter Terrorism and Organized Crime Investigation Branch transnational criminal matters (CTOC)



Type of Data Collected - Seizures

Type of Drug

- Cocaine (kg)
- Crack (kg)
- Cured marijuana (kg)
- Hash oil (kg)
- Hashish (kg)
- Heroin (kg)
- Ecstasy (tablets)

Conveyances

- Vehicles
- Motor Cycles
- Boats
- Aircraft
- Containers
- Other

Arrests

- Gender
- Local
- Foreign



Type of Data Collected - Seizures

Destination

- United Kingdom
- Canada
- USA
- Curacao
- Trinidad
- Barbados
- St. Maarten
- Other

Country of Origin

- Colombia
- Panama
- Curacao
- Trinidad
- Guyana
- Other

Ingestions

- Cocaine
- Cannabis
- Heroin
- Death from overdose



Type of Data Collected - Seizures

Insertions

- Cocaine
- Cannabis
- Heroin

Packages

- In suitcase
- Body packed
- Mail
- Other

Arrests

- Gender
- Local
- Foreign



Type of Data

Cannabis Eradication

- Active marijuana eradication programme supported by the United States DEA
- 540 hectares of plants eradicated in 2016
- 252 hectares of plants eradicated in 2017
- 264 hectares of plants eradicated in 2018

Eradication Data Reported

- Seed (Kg)
- Seedlings (Units)
- Plants (Hectares)
- Cured Marijuana (Kg)
- Nurseries (Units)
- Clandestine Labs (Units)

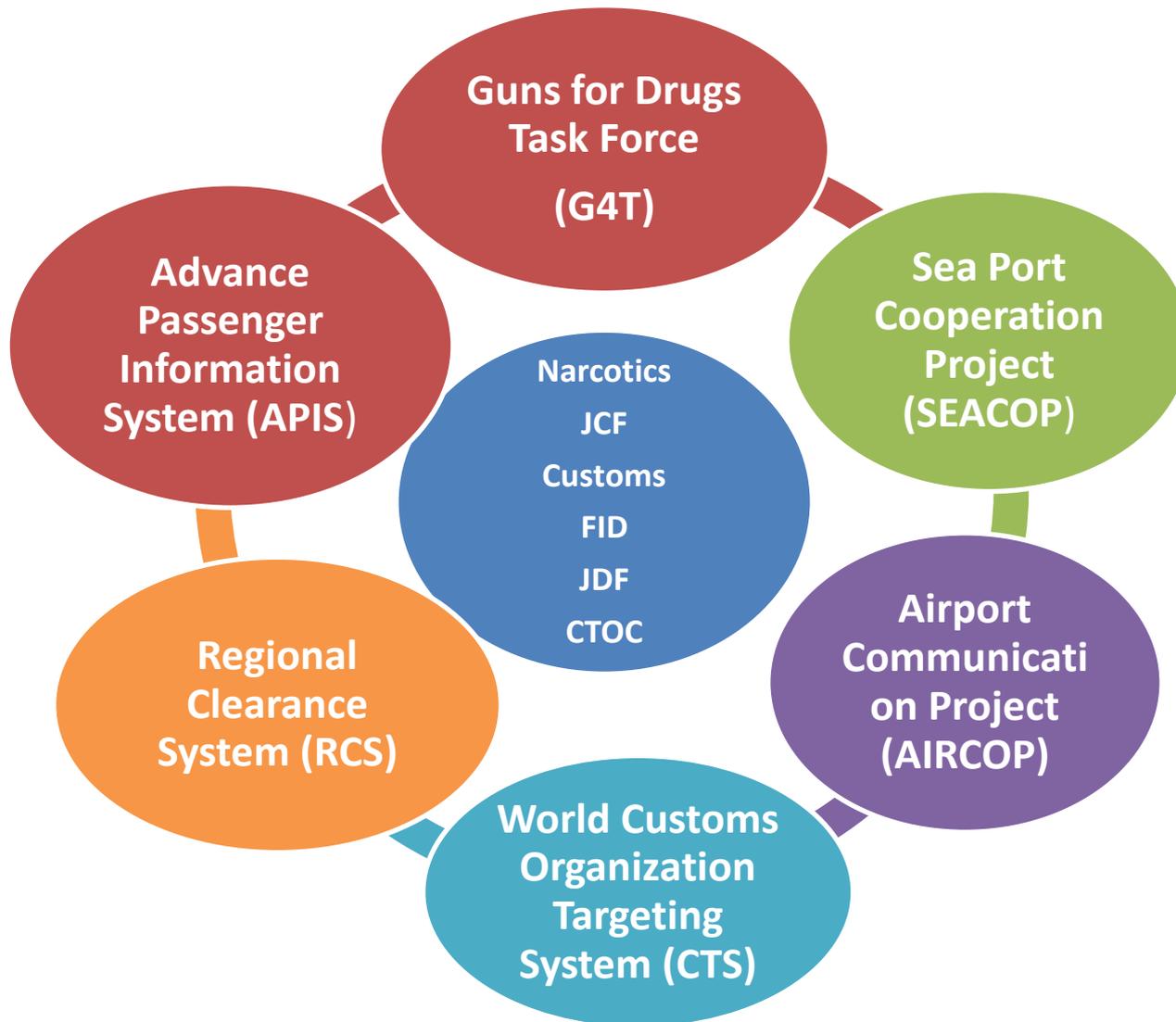


Data Gathering Methods

- ❖ Daily submission of police reports re drug related arrests, seizures – collated into monthly and annual reports (5 Geographical Areas with a total of 19 police divisions)
- ❖ Data collection from non-geographic units
 - ✓ Centre for Investigation of Sexual Offences (CISOCA)
 - ✓ National Intelligence Bureau
 - ✓ Confidential Human Intelligence Sources (CHIS)
 - ✓ Crime Stop & 119
 - ✓ Open Sources – News



International Cooperation



Types of Analyses Undertaken

- ❖ Trafficking trends
 - ✓ Airlines and flights
 - ✓ Timing (week, year)
 - ✓ Personal Characteristics – gender, nationality, community of origin (syndicates)
- ❖ International and regional trends in arrests/seizures
- ❖ Ongoing analysis required to meet changing strategies





Reports Generated

- ❖ Monthly statistics report
- ❖ Annual statistics report
- ❖ Special requests by local, regional and international agencies:
 - ✓ UNODC
 - ✓ US Embassy
 - ✓ Ministry of National Security Policy Division
- ❖ Comprehensive listing of Government Ministries, Agencies and Departments (MDAs) who receive standard reports



Reports Generated

❖ National Drug Observatory's Annual Report – Supply Section

- ✓ Drug seizures.
 - a. Quantities of seized drugs.
 - b. Number of seizures by type of drug.
 - c. Origin of the drugs seized.
 - d. Destination of the drugs seized.
 - e. Other property seized in direct relation to drugs.
- ✓ Drug price.
 - a. Price of wholesale drug market.
 - b. Price of retail drug market.

✓ Drug purity



Challenging Data

Drug Related Crime - Counter Terrorism and Organized Crime Investigation Branch (CTOC) and Financial Investigation Division (FID)

- ✓ Criminal files solved.
- ✓ People investigated and sued
- ✓ Convicted persons.
- ✓ Applied punishments
- ✓ Persons arrested for money laundering related to drugs.
- ✓ Persons who are deported for illegal drug problems in foreign countries



Knowledge Translation

- ❖ Supply data supports policy and decision making
- ❖ Determine/prioritize resource needs
- ❖ Gaps in information sharing – sensitivity of data and separation of mandates
- ❖ Overall context/situation was not previously captured in one report or by one organization
- ❖ DIN, Annual Report & EWS will help to address this to provide a comprehensive picture of the drug situation in Jamaica
- ❖ EWS Launch – June 26: International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking





THANK YOU

