

Third of Jamaicans want Jamaica to have its own king or queen who would live in Jamaica, poll finds

Kingston, Jamaica May 3, 2026 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - A new opinion poll has found that a third of Jamaicans want Jamaica to have its own king or queen who would live in Jamaica. The poll, part of an online Pollfish survey of 500 Jamaican adults aged 18 to 99 was carried out in March on behalf of Irish citizen Anthony McDonnell. The margin of error is plus or minus 4.35 per cent.

In the first question of the survey, respondents were asked what form of government they wanted Jamaica to have. 39 per cent said that they did not want Jamaica to have its own king or queen who would live in Jamaica, 33 per cent said that they wanted Jamaica to have its own king or queen who would live in Jamaica and 28 per cent said that they were undecided. When undecided respondents were excluded, 53 per cent said that they did not want Jamaica to have its own king or queen who would live in Jamaica and 47 per cent said that they wanted Jamaica to have its own king or queen who would live in Jamaica,

In the second question respondents were asked whether the opinion that Jamaica should have its own king or queen who would live in Jamaica should be included in the debate on the monarchy in Jamaica. 57 per cent said yes, 30 per cent said no and 13 per cent were undecided.

In the third question respondents were asked who they wanted to be the first resident king or queen of Jamaica. 7 per cent said Prince Carl Philip of Sweden, 21 per cent said Lady Amelia Windsor and 72 per cent were undecided.

In the fourth question respondents were asked who should elect the first resident king or queen of Jamaica. 90 per cent said the people, 3 per cent said politicians and 7 per cent were undecided.

In the fifth question respondents were asked whether the resident king or queen of Jamaica should be crowned in a coronation ceremony. 73 per cent said that they should, 11 per cent said that they should not and 16 per cent were undecided.

Recent opinion polls on monarchy in Jamaica have shown a large but narrowing lead for a republic. However, those polls did not include the option of Jamaica having its own king or queen who would live in Jamaica as this survey does, so it is difficult to compare them with this survey.

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