



**THE BAHAMAS**

# **CROOKED ISLAND**

**NDPBA ISLAND PROFILE**

# THE BAHAMAS CROOKED ISLAND

**CAPITAL: COLONEL HILL**

Area: 93 sq. mi (240.9 sq. km)

## RISK AND VULNERABILITY COMPONENT SCORE



**MULTI-HAZARD RISK (MHR) - Very High**

Score: 0.475 • Rank: 2/17



**RESILIENCE (R) - Very Low**

Score: 0.408 • Rank: 15/17



**MULTI-HAZARD EXPOSURE (MHE) - Moderate**

Score: 0.441 • Rank: 7/17



**VULNERABILITY (V) - Moderate**

Score: 0.446 • Rank: 9/17



**COPING CAPACITY (CC) - Very Low**

Score: 0.476 • Rank: 14/17



Population (2010 Census)

**330**



Population in Poverty

**33.0%**



Average Annual Foreign Arrivals Per Capita

**0**



Households with Piped Water

**89.5%**



Prevalence of Crowded Housing

**15.3%**

\*For more information on data and components please visit: <https://bit.ly/2LqVoUO>



## MULTI-HAZARD EXPOSURE (MHE)

RANK: 7 / 17 ISLANDS

SCORE: 0.441



**MHE**  
0.441

Raw MHE  
0.139

Relative MHE  
0.742

### ESTIMATED POPULATION AND CAPITAL EXPOSED TO EACH HAZARD:

Note: Population values from PDC's All-hazard Impact Model (AIM) leverage 2020 estimates for The Bahamas. Values may exceed 2010 Census population.



Tropical Cyclone Winds

**100.0%**

323

\$23.4 Million



Storm Surge

**85.1%**

275

\$21.3 Million



Flooding

**61.6%**

199

\$19.4 Million



Wildfire

**0.0%**

0

0



Landslide

**0.9%**

3

\$10 Thousand



Sea Level Rise

**0.0%**

0

\$180 Thousand



## VULNERABILITY (V)

**RANK: 9 / 17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**

**SCORE: 0.446**

Vulnerability in Crooked Island is primarily driven by Household Composition Vulnerability and Gender Inequality. The bar charts indicate the socioeconomic themes contributing to the overall Vulnerability score.



### Environmental Stress

0  1 **SCORE: 0.268** **RANK: 16/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**

**13.2%**

Coral reef  
exposed to  
local threats

**15.2%**

Coral reef  
exposed to  
thermal stress

**13.8%**

Tree cover loss

**0.9 per mi. (0.56 per km)**

Historical hurricane  
hits per length of  
coastline



### Household Composition Vulnerability

0  1 **SCORE: 0.948** **RANK: 1/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**

**7.9%**

Disability

**15.5%**

Elderly  
population (65+)



### Clean Water Access Vulnerability

0  1 **SCORE: 0.345** **RANK: 14/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**

**89.5%**

Households with  
piped water

**94.4%**

Households with  
flush toilets

**0.0%**

Households with  
shared toilet  
facilities



### Housing and Transportation Vulnerability

0  1 **SCORE: 0.353** **RANK: 16/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**

**15.3%**

Crowded housing

**31.5%**

Population without  
private vehicle

**36.3%**

Housing built  
before 1980



### Economic Constraints

0  1 **SCORE: 0.500** **RANK: 7/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**

**57.9**

Economic  
dependency  
ratio

**\$286**

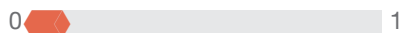
Government  
benefits  
received  
(Bahamian  
Dollars)

**48.2%**

Non-wage  
earning  
population

**33.0%**

Poverty rate

**Gender Inequality****SCORE: 0.617** **RANK: 2/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED****0.80**Ratio female to male  
income**1.12**Ratio female to male  
avg. years of school**-**Adolescent birth rate  
(per 1,000)**Population Pressures****SCORE: 0.088** **RANK: 17/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED****-5.7%**Average  
population  
change (2000 -  
2010)**0.0**Average annual  
foreign arrivals  
per capita**0.0**Average annual  
foreign arrivals  
per sq. mile**0.6**Migration per 100  
persons



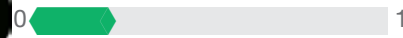
## ISLAND CAPACITY (IC)

**RANK: 10 / 17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**  
**SCORE: 0.421**

Crooked Island exhibits weaker Island Capacity in the areas of Logistics Capacity and Transportation Capacity. The bar charts indicate the socioeconomic themes contributing to the overall Island Capacity score.



### Economic Capacity



**SCORE: 0.206** **RANK: 12/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**

**0.0%**

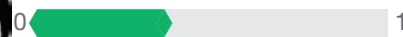
Households receiving remittances

**\$12,000**

Median income, Bahamian dollars



### Environmental Capacity



**SCORE: 0.370** **RANK: 9/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**

**0.0%**

Protected areas

**60%**

Coastline protected by natural habitat

**0.09 oz. per sq. ft (27.22 g per sq. m)**

Standing fish stock



### Infrastructure Capacity



**SCORE: 0.571** **RANK: 10/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**



### Health Care Capacity

**SCORE: 0.318** **RANK: 13/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**

**0.0**

Physicians per 10,000

**30.3**

Nurses & midwives per 10,000

**60.6**

Clinics per 10,000

**50.0%**

DTP3 Vaccine coverage rate



### Transportation Capacity

**SCORE: 0.071** **RANK: 16/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**

**0.34 mi per sq. mi (0.21 km per sq. km)**

Road density



### Communications Capacity

**SCORE: 0.788** **RANK: 7/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**

**57.3%**

Internet access

**87.2%**

Mobile coverage



### Emergency Services Capacity

**SCORE: 0.732** **RANK: 3/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**

**7.64 mi (12.29 km)** **3.56 mi (5.72 km)**

Average distance to police station

Average distance to shelter

**72.7**

Shelter capacity per 100 persons



### Energy Capacity

**SCORE: 0.944** **RANK: 2/17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**

**98.4%**

Households with electricity

**87.9%**

Households with liquid propane gas



## LOGISTICS CAPACITY (LC)

**RANK: 14 / 18 ISLANDS ASSESSED**  
**SCORE: 0.531**

Logistics Capacity describes the ability of the island to ensure efficient storage, movement, and delivery of resources key for effective humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations. Logistics Capacity is driven by distances to a major airport, major seaport, and disaster warehouse.



**107.41 mi (172.82 km)**

Distance to port



**88.36 mi (142.17 km)**

Distance to airport



**137.5 mi (221.23 km)**

Distance to  
warehouse



## COPING CAPACITY (CC)

Coping Capacity measures the systems, means, and abilities of people and societies to absorb and respond to disruptions in normal function. Coping Capacity in The Bahamas was calculated by using a combination of Island Capacity and Logistics Capacity.

**RANK: 14 / 17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**  
**SCORE: 0.476**



## RESILIENCE (R)

Resilience in The Bahamas was calculated by using a combination of Vulnerability, and Coping Capacity (including both Island Capacity and Logistics Capacity).

**RANK: 15 / 17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**  
**SCORE: 0.408**



## HAZARD-SPECIFIC RISK (HSR)



### Tropical Cyclone Winds

**RANK: 5 / 17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**  
**SCORE: 0.472**



### Storm Surge

**RANK: 3 / 17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**  
**SCORE: 0.510**



### Flooding

**RANK: 2 / 17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**  
**SCORE: 0.497**



### Wildfire

**RANK: 7 / 17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**  
**SCORE: 0.000**



### Landslide

**RANK: 14 / 17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**  
**SCORE: 0.265**



### Sea Level Rise

**RANK: 6 / 17 ISLANDS ASSESSED**  
**SCORE: 0.374**





## MULTI-HAZARD RISK (MHR)

**2 / 17**RANK WITHIN ISLANDS  
Score: 0.475

Crooked Island's score and ranking are due to Moderate Multi-hazard Exposure combined with Moderate Vulnerability and Very Low Coping Capacity scores.

### Multi-hazard risk component scores compared to overall average country scores:

CROOKED ISLAND SCORE  
COUNTRY SCORE



#### Multi-Hazard Exposure



#### Vulnerability



#### Coping Capacity



## CROOKED ISLAND RECOMMENDATIONS

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### **Household Composition Vulnerability**

Vulnerable household members may have special needs that necessitate additional support to ensure their safety before, during, and after a disaster. Elderly or disabled family members more likely to require financial support, transportation, or specialized resources to support their daily care.

Ranking 2nd highest for overall Multi-Hazard Risk, Crooked Island ranks highest in The Bahamas for overall Household Composition Vulnerability with 8% percent of the population reporting a disability, and approximately 15% over the age of 65.

Increase social services to support vulnerable households and encourage access to those services. Periodically review and update disaster response plans, including evacuation plans, to account for special needs populations and include provisions for the care, transport, and housing of elderly and handicapped individuals.

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### Gender Inequality

Marginalized populations are less likely to have their needs met under pre-disaster conditions, and therefore become even more susceptible to harm during times of disaster. Increase gender-based inclusion in all phases of DM, ensuring the implementation at the district and local levels. Course of action must recognize the role of women in society and support changes to policies and programs to promote gender-equal access.

Crooked Island ranks 2nd highest for overall Gender Inequality, driven by the highest disparity in female-to-male schooling in The Bahamas. In Crooked Island, the average number of years of schooling is higher for women than men, with somewhat equitable incomes (women earn 80% of their male counterparts).

Given women's active participation in the workforce, institute and/or expand programs that provide quality, affordable childcare to support their continued participation in the labor force. Review employer leave policies (family, sick, maternity, paternity) to accommodate the needs of family members when necessary.

Encourage employers to provide equitable pay for both men and women performing the same work.

## CROOKED ISLAND RECOMMENDATIONS

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### Logistics Capacity

Efficient storage, movement and delivery of resources are key to effective humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations. Ensuring that the supply chain can reach vulnerable and isolated communities can significantly improve the speed and quality of response operations, reducing the negative social and economic impacts of an emergency.

Crooked Island has the 4th lowest Logistics Capacity in The Bahamas, with the 4th greatest distance to a port, the 4th greatest distance to a warehouse, and the 5th greatest distance to an airport. Low logistics capacity can affect the speed and agility of emergency response operations in times of disaster.

Identify or create storage capacities on the island for housing disaster response and relief supplies such as food and water, shelter equipment and supplies, cots, roofing material and medicine. Address logistical challenges in operations plans by developing alternate routes, pre-storm allocations, and building partner-island relationships. Explore the feasibility of engaging the public/private sector to assist in storage, delivery, and distribution in times of emergency.

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## CROOKED ISLAND RECOMMENDATIONS

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### Transportation Capacity

Denser and more diverse transportation networks provide more options for bringing outside resources into an impacted area and increase the ability of response stakeholders to access island populations. Improved transportation capacity supports all aspects of Crooked Island ability to distribute resources before, during, and after a disaster.

Crooked Island has the 2nd lowest Transportation Capacity ranking in The Bahamas. Denser and more diverse transportation networks provide additional options for bringing outside resources into an impacted area and increase the ability of response stakeholders to access disaster-affected populations. Poor transportation capacity hampers emergency response activities and decreases public access to vital resources such as adequate healthcare and food.

Work with the population to identify transportation needs and implement projects to decrease isolation and increase capacity. Ensure transportation limitations are accounted for in disaster response planning, including routes to shelters and emergency services, evacuation planning and commodity distribution.

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