

# CIVIL REGISTRATION SYSTEMS

## The Impact of Covid-19

Country Presentation

BARBADOS

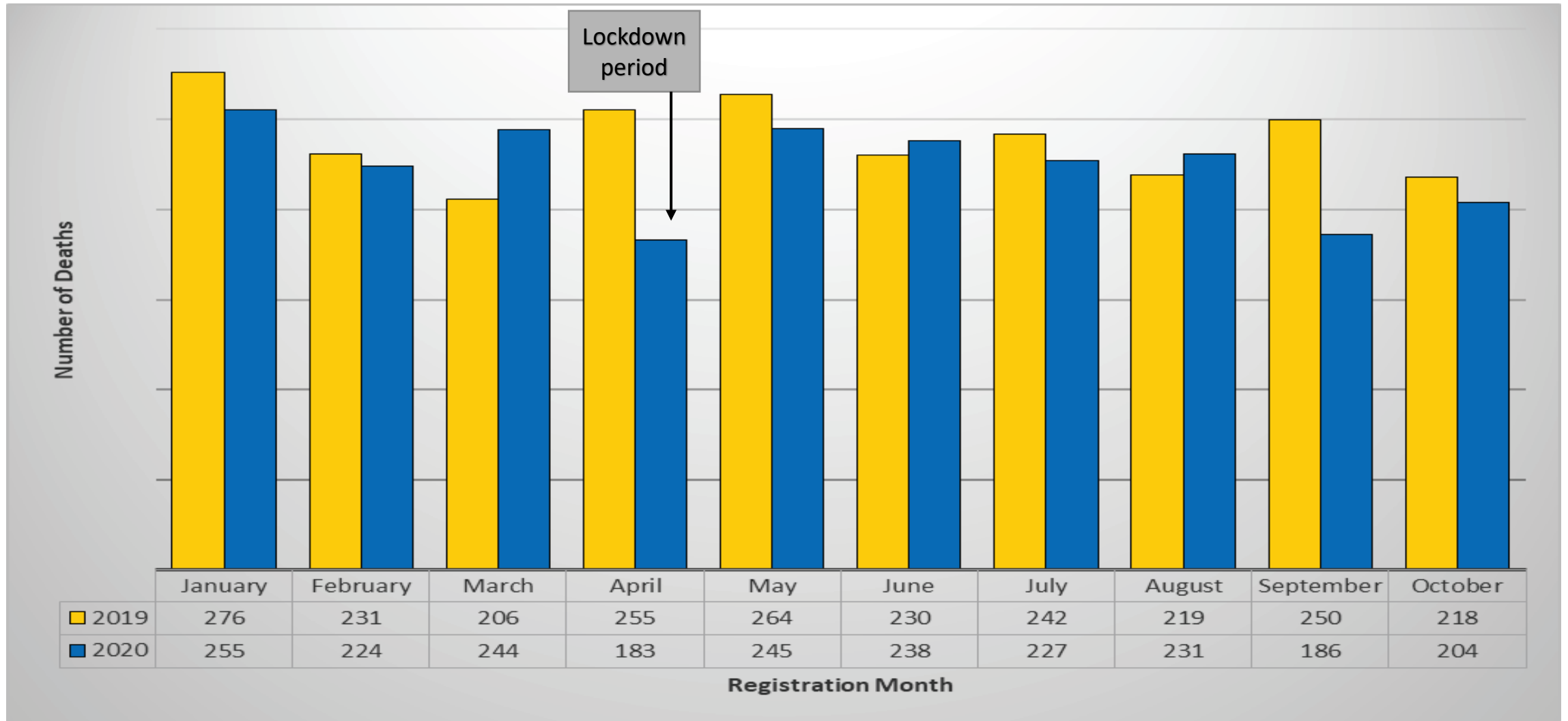


# Covid-19 Impact on CRS

- There was no major impact from the perspective of the Barbados Registration Department.
  - Barbados was on 24 hour lock down April 2<sup>nd</sup> – May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020, during this period, registrations were only accepted for deaths, consequently there were no births registered in April, as this process was delayed until May.
- What should be noted is that there were minor delays in the initial stages with respect to the collection of births. However, this quickly normalized.
- Therefore, there were no direct changes implemented. However, registrations were facilitated using a national Surname-Based Scheduling System, as per the Government approved protocols.

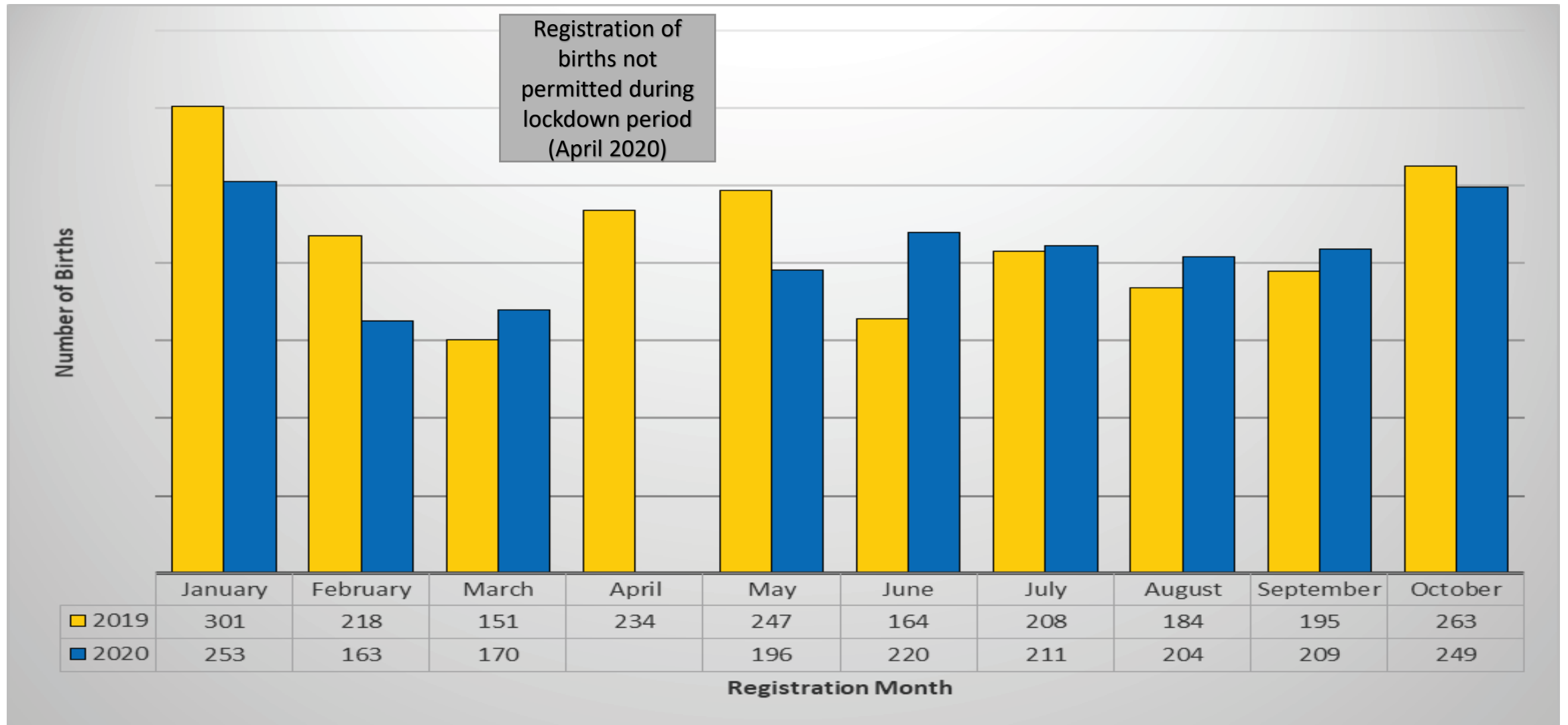


# Deaths Jan-Oct 2019 and Jan- Oct 2020





# Births Jan-Oct 2019 and Jan – Oct 2020





# Marriages Jan-Oct 2019 and Jan-Oct 2020

<b>MONTH</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>
JANUARY	98	85
FEBRUARY	105	125
MARCH	144	98
<b>APRIL</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>27</b>
MAY	168	32
JUNE	183	61
JULY	152	65
AUGUST	155	86
SEPTEMBER	125	56
OCTOBER	125	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1397</b>	<b>635</b>

Monthly marriages between April and September 2020 were significantly reduced due to covid-19 restrictions, as well as low levels of tourist arrivals.



# Divorces 2019 and 2020

- Information on divorces is collected in an aggregated form and provided annually.
- 2019 divorces were 422.
- The 2020 information for divorces is not yet available.



# CR-VS System

- The civil registry and vital statistics systems generate statistics based on both the date of occurrence and on the date of registration.
- Both dates are recorded and submitted to the Barbados Statistical Service (NSO) for the processing of vital statistics.
- The CR-VS System is partially digitised; excluding data capture. An online portal for data exchange has been created and will be rolled out to our pilot agencies for testing in the near future. These agencies include:
  - Registration Department (CRS)
  - Immigration Department
  - Barbados Revenue Authority
  - National Insurance Scheme
  - Financial Services Commission

Thank you!

