

Gender, Health, and Development in the Americas

Basic Indicators
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PREFACE

The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), through its Gender, Ethnicity, and Health Unit, is pleased to present the second edition of the brochure "Gender, Health, and Development in the Americas, Basic Indicators 2005." Consistent with its commitment to promote gender equity in health, PAHO has established information generation and dissemination as a basic line of its technical cooperation in this area.

Through this publication, PAHO seeks to provide government, civil society, academia, and other cooperation agencies with a set of basic statistical indicators that illustrate the differences between women and men in terms of health status and its socioeconomic determinants.

The indicators selected for this publication correspond to the lines of action agreed on by Member States in the International Conference on Population and Development, Cairo (1994); the Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing (1995); and the Millennium Declaration (2000) regarding the pursuit for gender equality. It is important to note that gender equality and women's empowerment are one of the eight Millennium Development Goals (MDGs); moreover, this goal has been widely recognized as a prerequisite for attaining the other MDGs.

Gender equality in health means that women and men enjoy the same opportunities to maintain their health, contribute to the development of public health, and benefit from that development. Empowerment is understood as the ability to make decisions and put them into practice. It is a both process and a goal, occurring at both the individual and group levels and requiring that women act as agents of change. Without women's empowerment, gender equality is not achievable.

Following the guiding objectives of the first edition of this brochure (2003), the present edition includes a group of indicators that refer to conditions that exclusively or differentially affect women and men and are available in most countries. Also included are some internationally defined indicators for monitoring attainment of the MDGs, disaggregated by sex. Finally, graphs are presented for some indicators of priority gender and health issues for which information is available in only a limited number of countries. It is hoped that the evidence of gender inequality presented in this publication will facilitate an understanding of such disparities, the identification of information gaps, the formulation of initiatives aimed at eliminating inequities, and the creation of conditions that guarantee all people the exercise of their right to health.


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Demography

	Total population (thousands) 2004	Urban population (%) 2004	Women ages 15 - 49 (thousands) 2004	Annual population growth rate (%) 2004	Life expectancy at birth (years) 2004		Life expectancy at age 60 (years) 2000-2005	
					Female	Male	Female	Male
					Anguilla	13	100	--
Antigua and Barbuda	68	38	--	0.5	74	69	--	--
Argentina	38,871	90	9,708	1.1	78	71	23	18
Aruba	71	45	--	2.0	83	76	--	--
Bahamas, The	317	90	88	1.1	70	64	22	19
Barbados	271	52	76	0.3	80	75	22	18
Belize	261	49	67	2.0	73	70	22	20
Bermuda	65	100	--	0.7	80	76	--	--
Bolivia	8,973	64	2,207	1.8	67	63	19	17
Brazil	180,654	84	50,893	1.2	73	65	21	17
Canada	31,744	81	8,056	0.7	82	77	25	21
Cayman Islands	43	100	--	2.9	83	77	--	--
Chile	15,996	87	4,189	1.2	79	73	23	19
Colombia	44,914	77	12,191	1.5	76	70	22	19
Costa Rica	4,250	61	1,147	1.8	81	76	24	21
Cuba	11,328	76	3,044	0.2	79	75	23	21
Dominica	69	72	--	0.3	77	72	--	--
Dominican Republic	8,872	60	2,338	1.4	69	64	20	18
Ecuador	13,192	62	3,486	1.4	74	69	22	19
El Salvador	6,614	60	1,746	1.4	74	68	22	19
French Guiana	182	76	45	2.4	79	73	22	18
Grenada	89	42	--	-0.3	66	63	--	--
Guadeloupe	443	100	118	0.7	82	75	25	20
Guatemala	12,661	47	3,002	2.5	70	64	19	17
Guyana	767	38	222	0.2	67	61	19	16
Haiti	8,437	38	2,161	1.3	51	50	17	16
Honduras	7,099	46	1,754	2.2	71	66	22	20
Jamaica	2,676	52	727	0.9	78	74	22	20
Martinique	395	96	104	0.5	82	76	25	21
Mexico	104,931	76	29,029	1.4	77	71	23	20
Montserrat	9	14	--	0.3	81	76	--	--
Netherlands Antilles	223	70	58	0.8	80	74	22	18
Nicaragua	5,597	58	1,396	2.3	73	68	20	19
Panama	3,177	58	836	1.8	78	73	23	21
Paraguay	6,018	58	1,502	2.3	74	69	20	18
Peru	27,567	74	7,200	1.5	73	68	21	18
Puerto Rico	3,898	97	988	0.5	80	72	24	19
Saint Kitts and Nevis	39	32	--	-0.3	75	69	--	--
Saint Lucia	150	31	43	0.7	75	71	20	18
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	121	59	33	0.6	76	73	20	18
Suriname	439	77	123	0.8	74	69	19	17
Trinidad and Tobago	1,307	76	381	0.3	74	68	21	18
Turks and Caicos Islands	20	47	--	3.3	77	72	--	--
United States of America	297,043	80	73,886	1.0	80	75	24	20
Uruguay	3,439	93	833	0.7	79	72	24	18
Venezuela	26,170	88	6,883	1.8	77	71	22	19
Virgin Islands (UK)	22	65	--	1.7	77	75	--	--
Virgin Islands (USA)	112	94	--	0.8	82	75	23	18

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Notes -- Data not available or not applicable.

Wealth and Income Inequalities

	Gross national income (US\$ per capita), ppp value 2003	Income ratio: highest 20% to lowest 20% 95/2001, lay	Population (%) living below		Urban households headed by women (%) by poverty level 2000/03, lay			
			US\$1 a day 98/2001, lay	National poverty line 2001/03, lay	Total	Indigent	Poor, not Indigent	Not poor
Anguilla	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Antigua and Barbuda	9,590	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Argentina	10,920	18	3 ^b	45 ^u	27 ^c	20 ^c	25 ^c	28 ^c
Aruba	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bahamas, The	16,140	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Barbados	15,060	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Belize	5,840	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bermuda	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bolivia	2,450	12 ^a	14 ^a	62	24	24	19	26
Brazil	7,480	32	8 ^b	38	26	27	25	27
Canada	29,740	6	--	--	--	--	--	--
Cayman Islands	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Chile	9,810	19	<2 ^b	19	18	26	16	18
Colombia	6,520	23	8 ^b	51	30	34	29	30
Costa Rica	9,040	12	2 ^b	20	28	48	34	27
Cuba	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Dominica	5,090	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Dominican Republic	6,210	11	<2 ^b	45	34	54	39	27
Ecuador	3,440	18 ^a	18 ^b	49 ^u	21	26	21	20
El Salvador	4,890	20	31 ^b	49	35	37	40	33
French Guiana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Grenada	6,710	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Guadeloupe	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Guatemala	4,060	25	16 ^b	60	22	30	21	21
Guyana	3,950	11 ^a	<2 ^b	--	--	--	--	--
Haiti	1,630	--	--	66 ^r	--	--	--	--
Honduras	2,580	22	24 ^b	77	31	32	31	31
Jamaica	3,790	7 ^a	<2 ^a	19	--	--	--	--
Martinique	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mexico	8,950	19	10 ^b	39	21	24	22	21
Montserrat	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Netherlands Antilles	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Nicaragua	2,400	17	45 ^a	69	34	37	36	32
Panama	6,310	25	7 ^b	34	29	44	31	27
Paraguay	4,740	27	15 ^b	61	31 ^d	37 ^d	29 ^d	32 ^d
Peru	5,090	18	18 ^b	55	22	22	21	23
Puerto Rico	16,320	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Saint Kitts and Nevis	11,040	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Saint Lucia	5,220	9	--	--	--	--	--	--
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	6,590	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Suriname	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Trinidad and Tobago	9,450	--	12 ^b	--	--	--	--	--
Turks and Caicos Islands	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
United States of America	37,500	8	--	13	--	--	--	--
Uruguay	7,980	10	<2 ^b	15 ^u	32	31	27	33
Venezuela	4,740	18	15 ^b	49	29 ⁿ	35 ⁿ	29 ⁿ	26 ⁿ
Virgin Islands (UK)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Virgin Islands (USA)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

Source

Source	D	A	E	E, F, G	H	H	H	H
Notes	--Data not available or not applicable. Italics are used when the data year is prior to the period shown.		lay: latest available year.	u Urban area only. r Rural area only. n National level.		a Estimates based on expenditures. b Estimates based on income. c Greater Buenos Aires only. d Asuncion only.		

	Environmental Health				Health Expenditure		Political Participation	
	Population (%) with access to services				National health expenditure (% of GDP)		Women (%) in	
	Potable water 1998		Sewage disposal 1998		Public 2000/03, lay	Private 2000/02, lay	Parliament 2000/04 lay	Ministerial posts 2001
	Urban	Rural	Urban	Rural				
Anguilla	60	--	99	--	3.3	2.2 ^f	--	--
Antigua and Barbuda	95	89	98	94	3.2	1.0 ^f	14	z
Argentina	85	30	89	48	4.7	3.7 ^g	34	7
Aruba	100	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bahamas, The	99	86	100	100	3.0 ^e	2.9 ^h	27	17
Barbados	100	--	99	--	4.0	3.8 ⁱ	18	14
Belize	100	82	71	25	2.4	1.4 ^f	9	11
Bermuda	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bolivia	93	44	82	35	5.8	2.9 ^g	18	--
Brazil	96	65	94	53	3.2	5.3 ^j	9	z
Canada	100	99	100	99	6.7 ^e	2.6 ^{e,f}	24	24
Cayman Islands	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Chile	99	66	93	94	4.4	3.9 ^h	10	26
Colombia	98	73	97	51	5.3	2.6 ^g	11	47
Costa Rica	100	92	89	97	5.2	3.4 ^f	35	29
Cuba	98	77	97	84	--	--	36	11
Dominica	100	90	86	75	4.4	2.0 ^h	19	z
Dominican Republic	96	73	96	79	2.6	3.3 ^f	15	--
Ecuador	82	51	71	37	2.2	2.4 ^g	16	20
El Salvador	92	25	86	50	3.5	4.7 ^g	11	15
French Guiana	88	71	84	57	--	--	--	--
Grenada	97	93	96	97	3.1	--	29	25
Guadeloupe	98	--	64	--	--	--	--	--
Guatemala	99	70	95	71	1.8	4.7 ^g	8	7
Guyana	98	91	97	81	--	--	20	--
Haiti	49	45	46	17	1.6	7.2 ⁱ	9	18
Honduras	94	70	94	50	3.1	2.5 ^g	6	33
Jamaica	98	59	90	91	2.2	4.5 ^h	14	13
Martinique	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mexico	95	65	87	32	2.7 ^e	3.3 ^e	21	11
Montserrat	100	--	96	--	7.7	--	--	--
Netherlands Antilles	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Nicaragua	95	34	93	56	6.8	4.7 ^h	21	23
Panama	88	86	99	87	4.4	2.2 ^f	17	20
Paraguay	70	13	85	47	3.5	4.9 ^g	10	--
Peru	87	51	90	40	2.8	2.1 ^g	18	16
Puerto Rico	100	100	100	100	--	--	--	--
Saint Kitts and Nevis	99	--	96	--	2.5	1.8 ^f	z	z
Saint Lucia	98	--	89	--	3.4	2.0 ^h	21	18
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	93	93	96	96	3.9	0.6 ^f	23	z
Suriname	98	58	99	56	3.6 ^e	4.0 ^e	18	--
Trinidad and Tobago	86	--	100	--	2.1	2.0 ^h	25	9
Turks and Caicos Islands	100	100	98	94	--	--	--	--
United States of America	100	100	100	100	7.2	5.9 ⁱ	15	32
Uruguay	98	93	95	85	4.7	5.6 ^g	--	--
Venezuela	85	71	71	48	4.1	2.7 ^g	10	z
Virgin Islands (UK)	98	--	98	--	3.1 ^e	--	--	--
Virgin Islands (USA)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Source	A	A	A	A	A	A	J	K

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lay: latest available year.

e Estimates based on national studies.
f Medical expenses.
g Health, unspecified.
h Medical care and health maintenance.

i Medical expenses and personal care.
j Medical care, health care plans, health insurance.
z Magnitude zero.

Employment

	Urban population in labor force (%) 2000/03, lay			Share of women (%) in wage employment in the NAS ^a	Urban women's employment income as % of men's 2000/03, lay	Urban workers employed in low-productivity sectors of the labor market (%) 2000/2003, lay		
	Female	Male	F/M ^k			Female	Male	F/M ^k
				2002				
Anguilla	--	--	--	48	--	--	--	--
Antigua and Barbuda	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Argentina	46	72	0.6	46	59 ^c	39.5	44.6	0.9
Aruba	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bahamas, The	--	--	--	49	--	--	--	--
Barbados	--	--	--	49	--	--	--	--
Belize	--	--	--	41	--	--	--	--
Bermuda	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bolivia	57	77	0.7	37	61	76.7	58.5	1.3
Brazil	53	79	0.7	47	66	51.6	42.3	1.2
Canada	--	--	--	49	--	--	--	--
Cayman Islands	--	--	--	49	--	--	--	--
Chile	45	73	0.6	37	64	38.2	27.8	1.4
Colombia	57	79	0.7	49	77	--	--	--
Costa Rica	46	77	0.6	40	75	45.1	37.3	1.2
Cuba	--	--	--	38	--	--	--	--
Dominica	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Dominican Republic	51	80	0.6	35	68	44.3	51.3	0.9
Ecuador	53	81	0.7	40	67	64.1	52.1	1.2
El Salvador	51	73	0.7	31	73	61.0	48.4	1.3
French Guiana	--	--	--	41	--	--	--	--
Grenada	--	--	--	38	--	--	--	--
Guadeloupe	--	--	--	55	--	--	--	--
Guatemala	58	85	0.7	39	58	65.7	51.5	1.3
Guyana	--	--	--	45	--	--	--	--
Haiti	--	--	--	40	--	--	--	--
Honduras	50	78	0.6	50	76	61.5	57.9	1.1
Jamaica	--	--	--	47	--	--	--	--
Martinique	--	--	--	55	--	--	--	--
Mexico	45	79	0.6	37	63	51.0	44.9	1.1
Montserrat	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Netherlands Antilles	--	--	--	48	--	--	--	--
Nicaragua	52	83	0.6	49	69	65.5	55.7	1.2
Panama	54	79	0.7	44	76	39.2	37.8	1.0
Paraguay	57	81	0.7	41	70 ^d	71.9	55.6	1.3
Peru	54	74	0.7	35	67	71.7	56.7	1.3
Puerto Rico	--	--	--	40	--	--	--	--
Saint Kitts and Nevis	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Saint Lucia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Suriname	--	--	--	33	--	--	--	--
Trinidad and Tobago	--	--	--	41	--	--	--	--
Turks and Caicos Islands	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
United States of America	--	--	--	49	--	--	--	--
Uruguay	50	72	0.7	46	72	49.6	43.0	1.2
Venezuela	56 ⁿ	83 ⁿ	0.7	42	76 ⁿ	57.8 ⁿ	58.6 ⁿ	1.0
Virgin Islands (UK)	--	--	--	48	--	--	--	--
Virgin Islands (USA)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

Source

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Notes

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^aNAS: Non-agricultural sector. ^c Greater Buenos Aires only.
^d Asuncion only
^k Ratio of Female/Male.

Employment

	Unpaid family workers, urban area (%) 2000/2002, lay			Urban population 15 years and older without own income 2000/2002, lay			Urban unemployment rate (%) 2003		
	Female	Male	F/M ^k	Female	Male	F/M ^k	Female	Male	F/M ^k
	Anguilla	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Antigua and Barbuda	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Argentina	1.4	0.7	2.0	44.6 ^o	25.4 ^o	1.8	19.5 ^c	18.5 ^c	1.1
Aruba	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bahamas, The	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Barbados	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Belize	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bermuda	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bolivia	11.5	5.5	2.1	44.0 ^p	23.8 ^p	1.8	7.9	5.2	1.5
Brazil	4.4	1.9	2.3	40.5	18.8	2.2	13.4	8.7	1.5
Canada	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Cayman Islands	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Chile	2.1	0.6	3.5	46.5	22.6	2.1	12.5	8.6	1.5
Colombia	5.5	1.8	3.1	45.3	24.4	1.9	20.0	14.8	1.4
Costa Rica	2.9	0.9	3.2	44.7	19.2	2.3	7.7	6.2	1.2
Cuba	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Dominica	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Dominican Republic	1.5	0.6	2.5	47.4	24.3	2.0	26.6	12.0	2.2
Ecuador	8.0	2.3	3.5	44.8	18.7	2.4	13.9	5.8	2.4
El Salvador	7.6	4.1	1.9	44.9	26.7	1.7	3.5	8.6	0.4
French Guiana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Grenada	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Guadeloupe	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Guatemala	11.6	6.5	1.8	37.0	16.2	2.3	7.0	5.2	1.3
Guyana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Haiti	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Honduras	6.9	4.3	1.6	58.1	27.9	2.1	7.8	7.2	1.1
Jamaica	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Martinique	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mexico	0.7	0.3	2.3	50.0	19.0	2.6	2.6	3.9	0.7
Montserrat	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Netherlands Antilles	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Nicaragua	9.5	5.7	1.7	--	--	--	11.7	13.1	0.9
Panama	1.4	0.4	3.5	32.0	18.3	1.7	23.5	16.5	1.4
Paraguay	5.3	3.2	1.7	39.1	21.5	1.8	12.1 ^d	11.0 ^d	1.1
Peru	9.8	4.1	2.4	37.5	22.7	1.7	7.6	6.8	1.1
Puerto Rico	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Saint Kitts and Nevis	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Saint Lucia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Suriname	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Trinidad and Tobago	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Turks and Caicos Islands	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
United States of America	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Uruguay	2.4	0.8	3.0	28.7	14.8	1.9	21.1	13.4	1.6
Venezuela	3.8 ⁿ	1.9 ⁿ	2.0	48.2 ⁿ	24.1 ⁿ	2.0	20.3 ⁿ	14.4 ⁿ	1.4
Virgin Islands (UK)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Virgin Islands (USA)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Source	O	O		P	P		Q	Q	

Notes -- Data not available or not applicable.

lay: latest available year.

c Greater Buenos Aires only.

d Asuncion only.

k Ratio of Female/Male.

n National data.

o Greater Buenos Aires + 30 agglomerations.

p Nine Departments.

Sexual and Reproductive Health

	Total fertility rate (child/woman) 2004	Percent of women who gave birth at ages		Births within 24 months of last delivery (%) 1996/2003, lay	Births of order >3 (% of total) 1996/2003, lay	Prevalence of anemia, women (%)	
		15-19 years 2004	35-49 years 2004			pregnant 1990/2000, lay	not pregnant 1985/1997, lay
Anguilla	1.7	--	--	--	--	--	--
Antigua and Barbuda	2.3	--	--	--	--	--	--
Argentina	2.4	6	2	--	--	24	18
Aruba	1.8	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bahamas, The	2.2	6	2	--	--	--	--
Barbados	1.5	4	1	--	--	--	--
Belize	3.0	9	3	--	--	52	--
Bermuda	1.9	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bolivia	3.6	8	6	28	39	28	20
Brazil	2.2	7	2	29	22	42	20
Canada	1.5	2	1	--	--	--	--
Cayman Islands	1.9	--	--	--	--	--	--
Chile	2.3	4	2	--	--	20	8
Colombia	2.6	8	3	27	18	40	23
Costa Rica	2.2	8	2	--	--	28	19
Cuba	1.6	6	1	--	--	57	35
Dominica	2.0	--	--	--	--	--	--
Dominican Republic	2.6	9	2	28	20	35	20
Ecuador	2.7	7	4	--	--	40	20
El Salvador	2.8	9	3	--	--	40	20
French Guiana	3.2	8	3	--	--	--	--
Grenada	2.4	--	--	--	--	--	--
Guadeloupe	2.1	2	3	--	--	--	--
Guatemala	4.2	11	6	32	43	39	35
Guyana	2.3	7	2	--	--	--	--
Haiti	3.8	6	8	27	45	63	--
Honduras	3.5	10	5	--	--	32	26
Jamaica	2.3	8	2	--	--	53	--
Martinique	1.9	3	2	--	--	--	--
Mexico	2.4	6	3	--	--	26	14
Montserrat	1.8	--	--	--	--	22	--
Netherlands Antilles	2.0	4	2	--	--	--	--
Nicaragua	3.6	14	4	26	33	40	34
Panama	2.7	9	2	--	--	39	29
Paraguay	3.7	7	5	38	41	35	20
Peru	2.8	5	4	20	31	39	36
Puerto Rico	1.9	6	1	--	--	--	--
Saint Kitts and Nevis	2.4	--	--	--	--	--	--
Saint Lucia	2.2	6	3	--	--	--	--
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	2.2	6	2	--	--	15	--
Suriname	2.4	4	2	--	--	--	--
Trinidad and Tobago	1.6	4	1	--	--	--	--
Turks and Caicos Islands	3.1	--	--	--	--	--	--
United States of America	2.1	5	2	--	--	--	--
Uruguay	2.3	7	2	--	--	--	--
Venezuela	2.6	9	3	--	--	35	18
Virgin Islands (UK)	1.7	--	--	--	--	--	--
Virgin Islands (USA)	2.1	--	--	--	--	--	--

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Sexual and Reproductive Health

	Maternal mortality ratio, reported (per 100,000 live births) 1997/2003, lay		Estimated death rates (per 100,000 women) due to		Annual incidence of reported AIDS cases (per 1,000,000) 1999/2002, lay			Prevalence of HIV/AIDS (%) in the population 15-49 years old 2003
			MN* uterus 1997/2002, lay	MN* breast 1997/2002, lay	Female	Male	F/M ^k	
	Ratio	No.						
Anguilla	z		--	--	--	--	--	--
Antigua and Barbuda	z		--	--	90.9	424.2	0.2	--
Argentina	46.1		14	30	19.8	52.0	0.4	0.7
Aruba	z		--	--	z	z	z	--
Bahamas, The	-- ^a	10	10	19	719.0	1,183.0	0.6	3.0
Barbados	-- ^a	1	--	--	173.9	400.0	0.4	1.5
Belize	-- ^a	7	14	4	354.3	503.9	0.7	2.4
Bermuda	z		16	47	64.5	193.5	0.3	--
Bolivia	230.0		--	--	3.3	9.8	0.3	0.1
Brazil	45.8		11	13	72.2	125.3	0.6	0.7
Canada	7.8		7	32	2.1	9.0	0.2	0.3
Cayman Islands	z		10	24	z	z	z	--
Chile	16.7		13	15	8.3	64.3	0.1	0.3
Colombia	98.6		15	10	3.5	22.5	0.2	0.7
Costa Rica	32.9		10	11	5.8	39.9	0.1	0.6
Cuba	39.5		18	21	12.9	65.6	0.2	0.1
Dominica	-- ^a	1	17	18	111.1	305.6	0.4	--
Dominican Republic	63.0		12	7	54.4	67.5	0.8	1.7
Ecuador	81.1		16	7	27.5	69.6	0.4	0.3
El Salvador	120.0		20	4	55.9	133.1	0.4	0.7
French Guiana	z		--	--	--	--	--	--
Grenada	z		18	17	23.3	87.0	0.3	--
Guadeloupe	z		--	--	--	--	--	--
Guatemala	153.0		9	2	45.3	94.6	0.5	1.1
Guyana	134.7		14	7	341.9	512.3	0.7	2.5
Haiti	523.0		9	7	--	--	--	5.6
Honduras	108.0		--	--	142.0	150.5	0.9	1.8
Jamaica	106.2		--	--	315.6	447.5	0.7	1.2
Martinique	-- ^a	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mexico	63.9		11	8	7.9	43.1	0.2	0.3
Montserrat	z		--	--	z	z	z	--
Netherlands Antilles	--		--	--	--	--	--	--
Nicaragua	95.6		18	7	6.0	16.9	0.4	0.2
Panama	71.3		13	11	129.4	334.4	0.4	0.9
Paraguay	182.1		22	11	13.8	29.4	0.5	0.5
Peru	185.0		20	11	12.5	37.7	0.3	0.5
Puerto Rico	-- ^a	4	6	18	--	--	--	--
Saint Kitts and Nevis	-- ^a	2	29	24	--	--	--	--
Saint Lucia	-- ^a	1	19	18	81.1	140.8	0.6	--
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	-- ^a	1	20	21	203.4	457.6	0.4	--
Suriname	-- ^a	15	--	--	--	--	--	1.7
Trinidad and Tobago	-- ^a	10	18	21	--	--	--	3.2
Turks and Caicos Islands	z		--	18	--	--	--	--
United States of America	9.9		8	29	79.5	228.0	0.3	0.6
Uruguay	-- ^a	18	16	39	34.1	106.4	0.3	0.3
Venezuela	68.0		13	9	8.4	75.2	0.1	0.7
Virgin Islands (UK)	z		5	19	181.8	90.9	2.0	--
Virgin Islands (USA)	-- ^a	2	13	19	--	--	--	--

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 *MN: Malignant Neoplasms. a If relative standard error is higher than 23%, ratio is not calculated.
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 z Magnitude zero.

	Sexual and Reproductive Health				Access to Services		
	Share of female (%) in the population 15-49 years old living with HIV/AIDS	Annual incidence rate of AIDS among 15 to 24 year olds (per 1,000,000) 2001/2002, lay			Women receiving health care by trained personnel (%) 1999/2003, lay		Births by Caesarean Section (%)
		2003	Female	Male	F/M ^k	Prenatal ^q	At delivery
Anguilla	--	z	z	z	100	100	--
Antigua and Barbuda	--	z	z	z	95	99	--
Argentina	20	9.1	17.5	0.5	84	98	--
Aruba	--	--	--	--	100	96	--
Bahamas, The	48	246.5	35.2	7.0	94	99	--
Barbados	32	--	--	--	100	100	--
Belize	37	348.8	294.1	1.2	98	97	--
Bermuda	--	--	--	--	99	99	--
Bolivia	27	7.3	7.1	1.0	79	61	15
Brazil	37	25.4	26.0	1.0	46	97	36
Canada	24	z	1.0	z	100	99	--
Cayman Islands	--	z	z	z	99	100	--
Chile	34	--	--	--	76	100	--
Colombia	34	3.1	11.0	0.3	91	94	24
Costa Rica	33	--	--	--	82	98	--
Cuba	33	8.1	39.9	0.2	100	100	--
Dominica	--	--	--	--	100	100	--
Dominican Republic	27	53.7	23.9	2.3	98	98	31
Ecuador	34	--	--	--	83	69	--
El Salvador	34	38.9	75.2	0.5	53	70	--
French Guiana	--	--	--	--	73	100	--
Grenada	--	--	--	--	99	100	--
Guadeloupe	--	--	--	--	84	100	--
Guatemala	42	64.2	66.6	1.0	90	26	11
Guyana	56	--	--	--	95	95	--
Haiti	58	--	--	--	79	24	2
Honduras	56	125.7	71.5	1.8	85	62	--
Jamaica	48	201.1	83.5	2.4	70	95	--
Martinique	--	--	--	--	99	100	--
Mexico	33	--	--	--	96	91	--
Montserrat	--	z	z	z	100	98	--
Netherlands Antilles	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Nicaragua	34	5.3	12.3	0.4	86	74	15
Panama	41	105.7	126.7	0.8	94	94	--
Paraguay	26	14.1	10.3	1.4	75	86	13
Peru	34	6.6	26.7	0.2	84	59	13
Puerto Rico	--	--	--	--	99	100	--
Saint Kitts and Nevis	--	z	z	z	71	100	--
Saint Lucia	--	z	z	z	48	98	--
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	--	--	--	--	99	100	--
Suriname	34	180.2	87.3	2.1	90	90	--
Trinidad and Tobago	50	--	--	--	84	99	--
Turks and Caicos Islands	--	--	--	--	100	88	--
United States of America	26	--	--	--	96	99	--
Uruguay	33	31.3	37.7	0.8	94	99	--
Venezuela	32	50.3	306.3	0.2	26	100	--
Virgin Islands (UK)	--	z	z	z	100	100	--
Virgin Islands (USA)	--	--	--	--	90	98	--
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q One or more visits.

Access to Services

Women ages 15 to 49 in union using contraceptive methods
(%)

1996/2003, lay

	Any method	Any modern method	Pill	IUD	Sterilization		Injection	Condom Male
					Female	Male		
Anguilla	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Antigua and Barbuda	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Argentina	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Aruba	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bahamas, The	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Barbados	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Belize	56	49	15	2	19	--	4	2
Bermuda	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bolivia	58	35	4	10	7	z	8	4
Brazil	77	70	21	1	40	3	1	4
Canada	75	73	14	3	21	18	--	11
Cayman Islands	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Chile	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Colombia	77	64	12	12	27	1	4	6
Costa Rica	80	72	26	7	21	<1	6	11
Cuba	73	72	4	44	19	z	<1	5
Dominica	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Dominican Republic	70	66	14	2	46	<1	2	1
Ecuador	66	50	11	10	23	--	4	3
El Salvador	67	--	8	2	32	--	9	3
French Guiana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Grenada	54	49	15	3	--	--	9	22
Guadeloupe	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Guatemala	38	31	5	2	17	<1	4	2
Guyana	37	36	--	--	--	--	--	--
Haiti	28	23	2	<1	3	<1	12	3
Honduras	62	51	10	9	18	--	--	3
Jamaica	66	63	21	1	12	<1	11	17
Martinique	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mexico	69	60	7	14	31	1	3	4
Montserrat	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Netherlands Antilles	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Nicaragua	69	66	15	6	25	<1	14	3
Panama	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Paraguay	57	48	13	11	8	z	8	7
Peru	69	50	7	9	12	<1	15	6
Puerto Rico	78	68	10	1	46	4	1	6
Saint Kitts and Nevis	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Saint Lucia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Suriname	42	41	25	--	10	--	--	--
Trinidad and Tobago	38	33	--	--	--	--	--	--
Turks and Caicos Islands	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
United States of America	76	72	16	<1	24	13	1	13
Uruguay	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Venezuela	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Virgin Islands (UK)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Virgin Islands (USA)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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z Magnitude zero.

Risk Factors

	Prevalence of tobacco consumption among adolescents (%) 2000/2003, lay			Prevalence of obesity (%) (age 15-49) 1997/2001, lay		
	Female	Male	F/M ^k	Female	Male	F/M ^k
	Anguilla	--	--	--	--	--
Antigua and Barbuda	11 ^r	16 ^r	0.7	--	--	--
Argentina	31 ^{r,s}	34 ^{r,s}	0.9	25 ^w	28 ^w	0.9
Aruba	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bahamas, The	14 ^r	23 ^r	0.6	--	--	--
Barbados	13 ^r	16 ^r	0.8	30 ^w	10 ^w	3.0
Belize	14 ^r	24 ^r	0.6	--	--	--
Bermuda	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bolivia	19 ^{r,s}	28 ^{r,s}	0.7	--	--	--
Brazil	21 ^{r,t}	31 ^{r,t}	0.7	13 ^w	7 ^w	1.9
Canada	21 ^u	16 ^u	1.3	14	16	0.9
Cayman Islands	--	--	--	--	--	--
Chile	43 ^{r,s}	33 ^{r,s}	1.3	24 ^w	11 ^w	2.2
Colombia	29 ^{r,s}	30 ^{r,s}	1.0	--	--	--
Costa Rica	19 ^r	20 ^r	1.0	--	--	--
Cuba	18 ^{r,s}	17 ^{r,s}	1.1	10 ^w	7 ^w	1.4
Dominica	16 ^r	24 ^r	0.7	--	--	--
Dominican Republic	--	--	--	--	--	--
Ecuador	16 ^{r,s}	23 ^{r,s}	0.7	--	--	--
El Salvador	15 ^{r,s}	25 ^{r,s}	0.6	--	--	--
French Guiana	--	--	--	--	--	--
Grenada	14 ^r	18 ^r	0.8	--	--	--
Guadeloupe	--	--	--	--	--	--
Guatemala	13 ^{r,s}	21 ^{r,s}	0.6	--	--	--
Guyana	11 ^r	21 ^r	0.5	--	--	--
Haiti	18 ^r	18 ^r	1.0	--	--	--
Honduras	19 ^{r,s}	26 ^{r,s}	0.7	--	--	--
Jamaica	15 ^r	24 ^r	0.6	34 ^w	9 ^w	3.8
Martinique	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mexico	23 ^{r,v}	21 ^{r,v}	1.1	27 ^w	32 ^w	0.8
Montserrat	14 ^r	14 ^r	1.0	--	--	--
Netherlands Antilles	--	--	--	36 ^w	19 ^w	1.9
Nicaragua	19 ^r	32 ^r	0.6	--	--	--
Panama	16 ^r	19 ^r	0.8	--	--	--
Paraguay	25 ^{r,s}	27 ^{r,s}	0.9	36 ^w	23 ^w	1.6
Peru	20 ^{r,s}	27 ^{r,s}	0.7	20	12	1.7
Puerto Rico	--	--	--	--	--	--
Saint Kitts and Nevis	16 ^r	20 ^r	0.8	--	--	--
Saint Lucia	10 ^r	19 ^r	0.5	--	--	--
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	20 ^r	27 ^r	0.7	--	--	--
Suriname	14 ^r	28 ^r	0.5	--	--	--
Trinidad and Tobago	12 ^r	20 ^r	0.6	7 ^w	9 ^w	0.8
Turks and Caicos Islands	--	--	--	--	--	--
United States of America	20 ^r	26 ^r	0.8	34	28	1.2
Uruguay	29 ^{r,s}	26 ^{r,s}	1.1	19 ^w	17 ^w	1.1
Venezuela	12 ^r	15 ^r	0.8	--	--	--
Virgin Islands (UK)	--	--	--	--	--	--
Virgin Islands (USA)	7 ^r	12 ^r	0.6	--	--	--
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k Ratio of Female/Male.
r 13-15 years of age.
s Data for the capital city only.
t Fortaleza only.

u 15-17 years of age.
v Guadaluajara only.
w Sub-national data.

Causes of Mortality

Estimated death rate (per 100,000 population)

	Cerebrovascular diseases			Ischemic heart disease			Diabetes mellitus		
	1997/2002, lay			1997/2002, lay			1997/2002, lay		
	Female	Male	F/M ^k	Female	Male	F/M ^k	Female	Male	F/M ^k
Anguilla	139.5	43.4	3.2	74.4	52.0	1.4	--	--	--
Antigua and Barbuda	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Argentina	65.5	66.2	1.0	47.7	72.4	0.7	25.0	26.5	0.9
Aruba	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bahamas, The	45.1	39.2	1.2	37.2	48.2	0.8	44.4	27.7	1.6
Barbados	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Belize	34.0	41.5	0.8	31.6	41.9	0.8	23.1	15.3	1.5
Bermuda	64.3	41.5	1.5	129.3	192.8	0.7	28.1	32.0	0.9
Bolivia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Brazil	69.5	75.5	0.9	54.3	76.0	0.7	28.1	20.3	1.4
Canada	59.2	42.4	1.4	123.1	152.3	0.8	22.9	22.4	1.0
Cayman Islands	22.3	22.1	1.0	55.8	63.9	0.9	12.3	15.1	0.8
Chile	57.3	51.5	1.1	48.7	63.5	0.8	22.2	18.7	1.2
Colombia	50.7	40.2	1.3	67.1	76.6	0.9	23.1	15.0	1.5
Costa Rica	32.3	27.3	1.2	56.5	74.2	0.8	17.7	13.0	1.4
Cuba	78.5	71.5	1.1	130.4	149.3	0.9	18.7	9.7	1.9
Dominica	37.9	27.7	1.4	19.0	17.2	1.1	96.0	54.7	1.8
Dominican Republic	42.4	46.5	0.9	49.3	59.7	0.8	23.5	18.3	1.3
Ecuador	36.2	35.2	1.0	24.8	34.2	0.7	34.7	25.8	1.3
El Salvador	32.9	27.1	1.2	51.1	46.7	1.1	23.8	12.9	1.8
French Guiana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Grenada	106.7	81.1	1.3	37.2	57.4	0.6	64.7	36.0	1.8
Guadeloupe	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Guatemala	19.8	18.8	1.1	15.1	19.5	0.8	16.2	12.9	1.3
Guyana	77.4	97.0	0.8	54.9	84.3	0.7	37.6	27.1	1.4
Haiti	75.6	63.4	1.2	11.1	12.8	0.9	34.5	20.4	1.7
Honduras	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Jamaica	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Martinique	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mexico	30.1	28.1	1.1	45.2	58.5	0.8	60.5	52.8	1.1
Montserrat	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Netherlands Antilles	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Nicaragua	43.3	36.8	1.2	56.5	58.4	1.0	34.7	24.4	1.4
Panama	56.2	54.7	1.0	46.8	60.4	0.8	37.3	25.5	1.5
Paraguay	66.7	56.4	1.2	41.2	50.9	0.8	30.8	16.6	1.9
Peru	31.6	31.8	1.0	21.9	29.4	0.7	14.1	13.0	1.1
Puerto Rico	43.4	44.0	1.0	94.3	128.2	0.7	65.3	61.7	1.1
Saint Kitts and Nevis	255.5	230.0	1.1	90.8	172.5	0.5	159.7	108.0	1.5
Saint Lucia	81.0	70.6	1.1	22.2	34.2	0.6	84.6	69.9	1.2
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	85.0	54.2	1.6	79.0	74.8	1.1	91.4	48.9	1.9
Suriname	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Trinidad and Tobago	88.0	81.2	1.1	117.9	143.1	0.8	96.4	87.5	1.1
Turks and Caicos Islands	48.6	29.8	1.6	28.6	46.0	0.6	41.9	11.7	3.6
United States of America	70.7	46.1	1.5	174.8	185.6	0.9	26.5	23.2	1.1
Uruguay	129.3	107.1	1.2	90.8	126.3	0.7	22.0	19.3	1.1
Venezuela	35.0	33.4	1.0	53.9	76.4	0.7	23.7	20.3	1.2
Virgin Islands (UK)	57.1	33.8	1.7	38.0	77.9	0.5	21.7	5.2	4.2
Virgin Islands (USA)	50.1	41.8	1.2	102.0	120.6	0.8	25.1	26.3	1.0

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Notes -- Data not available or not applicable. lay: latest available year.
k Ratio of Female/Male.

Causes of Mortality

Estimated death rate (per 100,000 population)

	Cirrhosis and other chronic liver diseases 1997/2002, lay			MN* of lung, trachea and bronchi 1997/2002, lay			HIV/AIDS 1997/2002, lay		
	Female	Male	F/M ^k	Female	Male	F/M ^k	Female	Male	F/M ^k
	Anguilla	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Antigua and Barbuda	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Argentina	4.1	12.6	0.3	10.4	37.9	0.3	2.2	6.5	0.3
Aruba	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bahamas, The	6.6	13.5	0.5	4.4	12.5	0.4	70.8	121.0	0.6
Barbados	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Belize	4.4	6.5	0.7	1.4	11.1	0.1	9.3	15.2	0.6
Bermuda	7.2	10.4	0.7	18.5	51.0	0.4	13.7	42.4	0.3
Bolivia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Brazil	5.6	22.7	0.2	6.7	16.7	0.4	5.9	16.6	0.4
Canada	5.3	10.3	0.5	42.7	64.9	0.7	0.5	2.6	0.2
Cayman Islands	1.4	4.5	0.3	8.9	23.3	0.4	3.4	3.5	1.0
Chile	13.2	35.7	0.4	9.9	18.7	0.5	0.9	6.0	0.2
Colombia	3.8	7.0	0.5	7.3	10.9	0.7	1.5	8.6	0.2
Costa Rica	8.3	16.1	0.5	4.6	9.0	0.5	1.0	5.8	0.2
Cuba	6.6	12.4	0.5	23.0	48.7	0.5	0.5	1.7	0.3
Dominica	11.0	17.2	0.6	3.7	10.5	0.4	6.7	17.8	0.4
Dominican Republic	15.7	22.4	0.7	5.2	8.4	0.6	12.5	22.1	0.6
Ecuador	9.7	20.7	0.5	4.6	7.3	0.6	1.4	6.6	0.2
El Salvador	6.0	18.0	0.3	3.5	3.1	1.1	3.6	10.1	0.4
French Guiana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Grenada	4.8	7.9	0.6	6.0	11.3	0.5	6.0	10.1	0.6
Guadeloupe	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Guatemala	8.9	24.9	0.4	2.3	3.0	0.8	--	--	--
Guyana	6.2	27.7	0.2	2.6	3.2	0.8	19.3	38.8	0.5
Haiti	8.0	11.2	0.7	2.3	6.3	0.4	105.5	123.7	0.9
Honduras	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Jamaica	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Martinique	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mexico	12.8	45.1	0.3	4.5	10.2	0.4	1.5	8.5	0.2
Montserrat	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Netherlands Antilles	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Nicaragua	9.0	26.8	0.3	3.0	5.4	0.6	0.8	2.2	0.4
Panama	6.4	10.7	0.6	5.4	11.9	0.5	11.5	30.5	0.4
Paraguay	2.1	9.4	0.2	3.2	12.1	0.3	0.6	1.8	0.3
Peru	13.6	30.1	0.5	6.3	10.3	0.6	3.1	12.5	0.2
Puerto Rico	8.2	31.0	0.3	9.8	21.9	0.4	8.4	27.8	0.3
Saint Kitts and Nevis	13.4	33.1	0.4	1.7	10.5	0.2	10.1	20.9	0.5
Saint Lucia	8.6	13.4	0.6	5.0	6.7	0.7	4.5	5.0	0.9
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	3.9	14.2	0.3	2.5	8.2	0.3	17.7	35.5	0.5
Suriname	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Trinidad and Tobago	3.4	9.1	0.4	4.1	12.0	0.3	17.9	39.7	0.5
Turks and Caicos Islands	7.5	7.1	1.1	4.8	9.2	0.5	57.2	59.5	1.0
United States of America	7.5	13.8	0.5	45.4	65.2	0.7	2.5	7.7	0.3
Uruguay	4.9	19.3	0.3	9.5	71.7	0.1	1.6	5.7	0.3
Venezuela	3.4	11.6	0.3	6.2	11.0	0.6	1.5	8.2	0.2
Virgin Islands (UK)	11.0	14.0	0.8	3.6	13.8	0.3	z	10.2	z
Virgin Islands (USA)	8.9	10.7	0.8	9.8	17.5	0.6	3.6	1.9	1.9
Source	W	W		W	W		W	W	

Notes -- Data not available or not applicable. lay: latest available year.
 *MN: Malignant neoplasms. k Ratio of Female/Male.
 z Magnitude zero.

Causes of Mortality

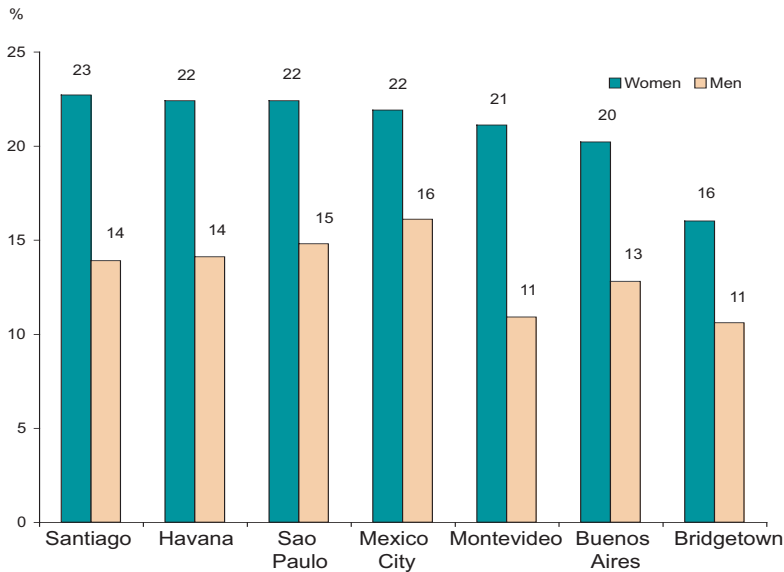
Estimated death rate (per 100,000 population)

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	Female	Male	F/M ^k	Female	Male	F/M ^k	Female	Male	F/M ^k
	Anguilla	0.5	24.7	<0.1	16.9	8.2	2.1	--	--
Antigua and Barbuda	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Argentina	5.1	16.5	0.3	11.8	24.6	0.5	1.9	12.0	0.2
Aruba	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Bahamas, The	6.9	23.2	0.3	8.3	19.9	0.4	3.8	28.9	0.1
Barbados	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Belize	8.5	52.8	0.2	11.1	34.5	0.3	2.7	17.6	0.2
Bermuda	4.0	21.3	0.2	7.1	18.7	0.4	2.1	4.5	0.5
Bolivia	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Brazil	9.9	38.5	0.3	8.9	30.1	0.3	5.1	54.0	0.1
Canada	5.7	14.3	0.4	15.4	20.4	0.8	0.8	2.3	0.3
Cayman Islands	8.8	17.2	0.5	5.5	24.1	0.2	z	8.8	z
Chile	5.5	23.3	0.2	9.3	27.5	0.3	1.3	10.0	0.1
Colombia	11.1	37.4	0.3	10.1	27.6	0.4	12.7	143.5	0.1
Costa Rica	6.5	30.6	0.2	10.6	20.2	0.5	1.9	11.2	0.2
Cuba	6.3	23.3	0.3	24.6	28.8	0.9	3.2	8.3	0.4
Dominica	8.3	22.4	0.4	5.5	16.9	0.3	1.7	6.0	0.3
Dominican Republic	8.3	35.2	0.2	6.2	17.1	0.4	2.1	16.6	0.1
Ecuador	9.4	31.0	0.3	12.4	39.3	0.3	3.9	37.6	0.1
El Salvador	13.1	46.1	0.3	9.1	27.7	0.3	9.1	87.6	0.1
French Guiana	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Grenada	2.2	8.5	0.3	8.9	30.8	0.3	2.2	1.1	2.0
Guadeloupe	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Guatemala	2.0	8.1	0.2	9.4	30.8	0.3	3.7	41.6	0.1
Guyana	1.7	11.2	0.2	12.4	35.4	0.4	1.6	10.1	0.2
Haiti	6.0	11.1	0.5	5.9	9.2	0.6	--	--	--
Honduras	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Jamaica	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Martinique	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mexico	6.7	26.1	0.3	10.5	34.4	0.3	2.7	20.5	0.1
Montserrat	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Netherlands Antilles	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Nicaragua	6.8	27.1	0.3	12.7	38.7	0.3	2.9	22.3	0.1
Panama	6.9	28.5	0.2	7.7	24.3	0.3	2.7	23.7	0.1
Paraguay	6.2	20.5	0.3	9.5	26.3	0.4	3.6	26.8	0.1
Peru	7.0	21.5	0.3	13.3	36.9	0.4	1.2	7.8	0.2
Puerto Rico	6.3	24.5	0.3	7.8	32.5	0.2	3.1	35.7	0.1
Saint Kitts and Nevis	1.6	21.5	0.1	38.3	150.4	0.3	6.4	19.8	0.3
Saint Lucia	7.4	27.2	0.3	5.4	28.5	0.2	3.4	35.5	0.1
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	3.1	9.7	0.3	9.0	26.6	0.3	5.5	16.2	0.3
Suriname	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Trinidad and Tobago	5.2	16.9	0.3	6.8	19.4	0.4	4.2	17.2	0.2
Turks and Caicos Islands	18.0	17.0	1.1	9.8	36.9	0.3	13.4	4.2	3.2
United States of America	9.9	22.8	0.4	14.7	23.6	0.6	3.0	10.2	0.3
Uruguay	7.0	22.8	0.3	19.2	46.3	0.4	2.0	8.3	0.2
Venezuela	8.6	31.7	0.3	8.3	19.5	0.4	2.2	27.1	0.1
Virgin Islands (UK)	5.3	7.6	0.7	5.3	48.0	0.1	z	20.5	z
Virgin Islands (USA)	4.4	29.8	0.1	8.8	22.1	0.4	4.4	47.1	0.1
Source	W	W		W	W		W	W	

Notes -- Data not available or not applicable. lay: latest available year.
k Ratio of Female/Male.
z Magnitude zero.

Health of Elderly

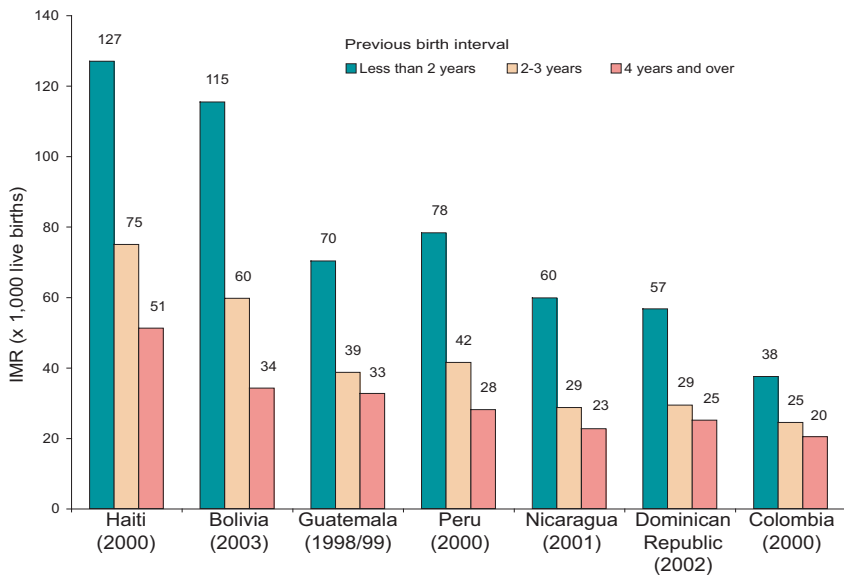
Percent of people age 60 and older with at least one limitation in their daily life activities¹, by sex, selected cities in the SABE survey, 2000.



¹ Bathing, eating, getting dressed, going to the bath, moving from the bed to the chair, walking
 Source: PAHO. SABE/2000. Adapted from PAHO/Merck Institute for the elderly and health. *El estado de envejecimiento y salud en América Latina y el Caribe.*

Infant Mortality

Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births) specific by previous birth interval¹, for the 10 year period preceding the survey², selected countries.



¹ The births of first order are excluded

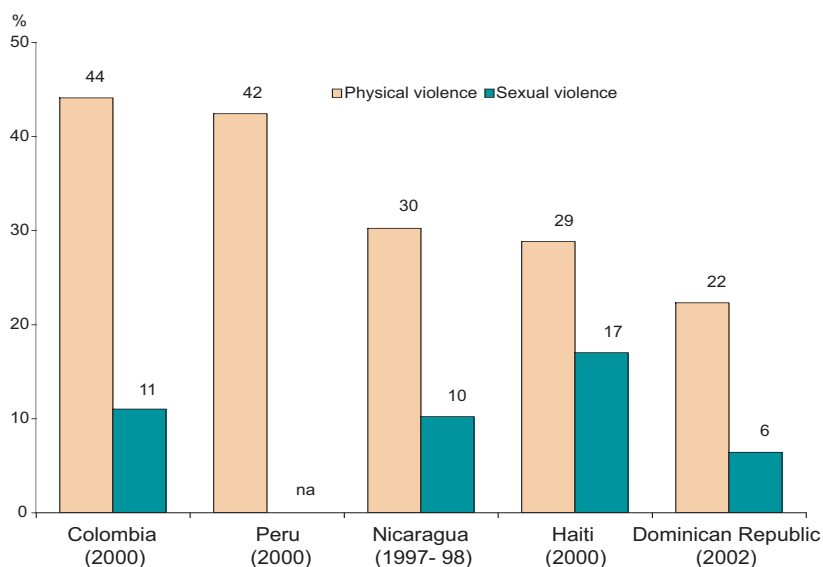
² The years of surveys are in parentheses

Countries sorted by national infant mortality rate

Source: OCR Macro. 2005. Measure DHS STATcompiler. [Http://www.measuredhs.com](http://www.measuredhs.com). Access date: April 2005.

Violence Against Women

Percent of women ages 15 to 49 ever in a union, who reported having experienced violence by a spouse or partner, selected countries.



na: not available

Source: Measure DHS, ORC Macro. 2004. Profiling Domestic Violence, A Multi-Country Study (Table 2.1)

Percent of women having ever experienced violence¹, by pattern of seeking help and sources sought², selected countries.

Countries	Did not seek help	Own family	In-laws	Friends/neighbor	Husband/boyfriend	Police	Lawyer/courts	Doctor/health center	NGOs	Other organizations	Other
Colombia (2000)	62.0	25.6	4.7	10.1	1.2	15.6	3.2	0.2	na	4.5	2.5
Peru (2000)	57.8	32.8	4.7	5.6	0.9	15.0	3.8	0.6	na	3.0	2.2
Nicaragua (1998)	40.5	33.6	7.5	26.3	na	12.8	2.8	6.7	3.3	na	7.2
Haiti (2000)	68.7	19.7	3.0	8.3	0.4	1.6	1.0	1.0	na	na	1.8
Dominican Republic (2002)	58.8	21.7	6.5	15.7	0.5	14.3	1.6	na	0.3	3.4	2.2

¹ includes: physical, sexual and emotional inflicted by the partner; and physical and sexual inflicted by anyone

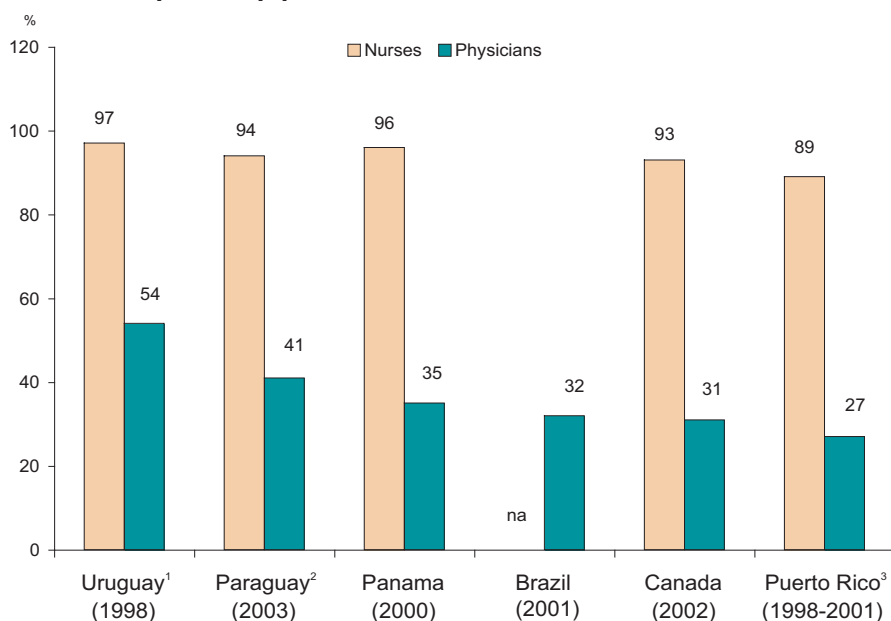
² respondents could specify multiple sources of help

na: not available

Source: Measure DHS, ORC Macro. 2004. Profiling Domestic Violence, A Multi-Country Study (Table 2.11)

Participation in Health Management

Women as percent of physicians and nurses, selected countries.



¹ The nurses' figure is for 1995

² Ministry of Public Health and Social Welfare personnel

³ Data from professional registry in Puerto Rico

na: not available

Countries in descendent order by women as percent of physicians.

Source: PAHO/Human Resources Observatory; data base provided by countries. <http://www.lachsr.org/observatorio/esp/panorama.html>. Access date: May, 2005

Glossary and notes (in order of appearance)

Life expectancy at age 60: The additional number of years that, on average, an individual who has survived to age 60 can be expected to live.

Gross national income per capita, ppp value: Total domestic and foreign value added claimed by residents, plus all taxes on products (minus subsidies), plus net receipts of primary income from nonresident sources, divided by the midyear population. The result is expressed in international dollars using purchasing power parity rates.

Percent of population living below US\$1/day: Percent of population living on less than US\$1.08 a day at 1993 international prices (equivalent to US\$1 in 1985 prices, adjusted for ppp). This same poverty line reference is used to estimate poverty worldwide and is expressed in a common unit across countries.

Percent of population living below the national poverty line: The operational definition of a national poverty line varies from country to country and represents the amount of income required by a household in order to meet the basic needs of all its members. This measurement differs from a minimum level applied internationally by using, for example, the percent of population living on less than US\$1 per day.

Percent of urban households headed by women: Percent of urban households in which a woman is recognized as head of household by the other household members.

The household is considered indigent, poor not indigent, or not poor based on the national poverty line.

Percent of population with access to potable water: The definition of access to potable water varies according to whether it applies to urban or rural areas. In an urban setting it is defined as direct access through house connections to potable water systems, and/or reasonable access through public sources of water. Reasonable access to potable water, in urban settlements, is defined by a distance of less than 200 meters from the dwelling to the public water source. In rural areas, access to potable water is defined as reasonable access, which allows greater flexibility regarding the maximum distance from the dwelling to a public water source, depending on topography and other environmental factors.

Percent of population with access to sewage disposal: The definition of access to excreta disposal services varies according to whether it applies to urban or rural areas. In urban areas it is defined as house connections to public sewerage systems and/or septic tanks or latrines as individual systems for excreta disposal. In rural areas it is defined as access through septic tanks, latrines, or drains, as individual systems for excreta disposal.

Total health care expenditure -public and private- as % of GDP: Estimates of public expenditure in health corresponds to government expenditures in the Function of Health (Division 07) of the international classification of Government Expenditures by function or purposes of the System of National Accounts of the United Nations (SNA 1993); derived from the Government Financial Statistical Yearbook 2002 (GFS 2002) from the International Monetary Fund or country's health account studies. Estimates of private expenditures in health correspond to expenditures by the household sector in the function of Health or Health and Personal Care of the international Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose of the SNA 1993; derived from data from the Consumer Price Index, household surveys, and/or national studies on health accounts. www.paho.org/spanish/DPM/SHD/HP/nhexp-metodos.htm

Percent enrolled in secondary school: Ratio of total number of students enrolled in secondary school to the population in the applicable age group for the country (gross enrollment ratio, secondary), multiplied by 100.

Percent enrolled in higher education: Ratio of total number of students enrolled in any type of postsecondary education to the population in the applicable age group for the country (gross enrollment ratio, tertiary), multiplied by 100.

Percent of women in ministerial posts: Percent of minister-level posts held by women. There are national differences, and these posts can include those of minister, vice-minister, secretary of state, and director of the central bank and cabinet-level agencies.

Economically active urban population: Women and men 15 years and older, residents of urban areas, who work in the formal or informal sectors, as percent of the total urban population in that same sex and age group (labor force participation rate).

Share of women in wage employment in non-agricultural sector: Women wage employees in the non-agricultural sector as percent of total wage employees in the non-agricultural sector.

Urban workers employed in low-productivity sectors of the labor market: Low-productivity sectors include three broad categories: small enterprises (business establishments employing up to 5 persons; however, data for the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, and Panama are for those employing up to 4 persons); domestic employment; and self-employed individuals and unpaid family workers without professional or technical qualifications.

Unpaid family workers: Those workers who have “independent employment” in a market-oriented business managed by a family member who lives in the same household, who cannot be considered business partners and who are not remunerated.

Total fertility rate: The expected average number of children that would be born to a woman in her lifetime, if she were to pass through her childbearing years experiencing the age-specific fertility rates prevailing in a given year/period, for a given country, territory, or geographic area.

Percent of births after an interval <24 months since last delivery: The percent of all births, excluding first births, occurring within the 24-month period following the previous delivery which resulted in a live birth. First-order births are excluded from the denominator. The data are from national surveys and include births occurring in the five years prior to the survey. Paraguay data are for 1990.

Births of order >3: Percent of live births, in the 5 years prior to the survey, to women who already gave birth to at least three children. The numerator for the data shown includes births of order >3 regardless of whether they are also in the other risk categories that comprise the definition of high-risk fertility behavior. These are: births to women under 18 years and older than 34 years old, and birth interval <24 months. In the 2003 version of this booklet, births of order >3 that also belonged to these other risk categories were excluded from the numerator (but not from the denominator). The data shown for Paraguay are for 1990.

Prevalence of anemia in women: Among women who are not pregnant, anemia is defined as a blood hemoglobin level of less than 12 grams per deciliter (g/dl); among pregnant women, it is defined by a level under 11 g/dl.

Reported maternal mortality ratio per 100,000 live births: The registered number of maternal deaths per 100,000 live births. Maternal death is defined as the death of a woman while pregnant or within 42 days after termination of the pregnancy, regardless of the length and site of the pregnancy, due to conditions related to pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperium, but not due to accidental or incidental causes.

Annual incidence of reported AIDS cases per 1,000,000: Number of new cases of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) reported in a given year, by sex, per 1,000,000 population of the same sex. The data are provided by PAHO country offices and PAHO/WHO regional technical programs. They are based on information reported by the national disease surveillance and control programs.

Prevalence of HIV/AIDS (%) in the population 15-49 years old: Percent of the total population 15 to 49 years of age who, at year end, carry the virus which causes human immunodeficiency syndrome and are alive, regardless of whether or not they have developed symptoms of AIDS.

Women ages 15 to 49 years in a union, using contraceptive methods (%): Percent of women 15 to 49 years of age, married or in a union, according to contraceptive method used at the time of the survey. The data for Bolivia (2003), Brazil (1996), Colombia (2000), Dominican Republic (2002), Guatemala (1998/1999), Haiti (2000), Nicaragua (2001), and Peru (2000) are from Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS); for the other countries shown, the data are from the second source (Population Reference Bureau).

Prenatal care by trained personnel: The data shown represent the percent of pregnant women who received at least one health care visit during the pregnancy, provided by a trained health worker. Health care visit during pregnancy is defined as a health visit for control and monitoring of the pregnancy and ambulatory care for associated morbidity; neither direct vaccination activities, nor health care services ren-

dered just prior to delivery, are included. Trained personnel include medical doctors, certified nurses, and midwives; traditional birth attendants are not included.

Deliveries attended by trained personnel (%): Deliveries attended by trained personnel in a given year, regardless of the site of occurrence, as percent of the total number of births during that year. Trained personnel include medical doctors, certified nurses, and midwives; traditional birth attendants are not included.

Prevalence of smoking among adolescents: Percent of current smokers of tobacco among adolescents 12 to 18 years of age. Current use is defined as having smoked at least one cigarette or similar tobacco product in the 30 days prior to the survey. The data are from surveys and are generally not comparable among countries. The age group differs by country; usually it is 13 to 15 years. The data shown are provided by PAHO/WHO country offices, and Regional technical programs, and are based on information obtained in national disease surveillance and control systems.

Prevalence of obesity: Obesity is defined as an excessively high amount of body fat relative to lean body mass, or a Body Mass Index (BMI) of 30.0 or higher. BMI is defined as weight in kilograms divided by height in meters squared. It is used to screen and monitor populations in order to detect health and nutritional disorders. The data shown are from surveys, usually conducted at sub-national level and among different population groups (15 to 49 years), hence data from different countries are not comparable.

Estimated death rate per 100,000 population - cerebrovascular diseases: Number of estimated deaths due to cerebrovascular diseases in a population, by sex, divided by the total population of the same sex, per 100,000 (mortality rate). Estimated death rates are obtained by PAHO from registered mortality by cause, after correcting for under-registration and redistributing, by cause, the deaths assigned to symptoms and ill-defined conditions. Cerebrovascular diseases include stroke, cerebral aneurysms, and other related conditions.

Estimated death rate per 100,000 population - ischemic heart disease: Also known as heart attack or myocardial infarction.

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