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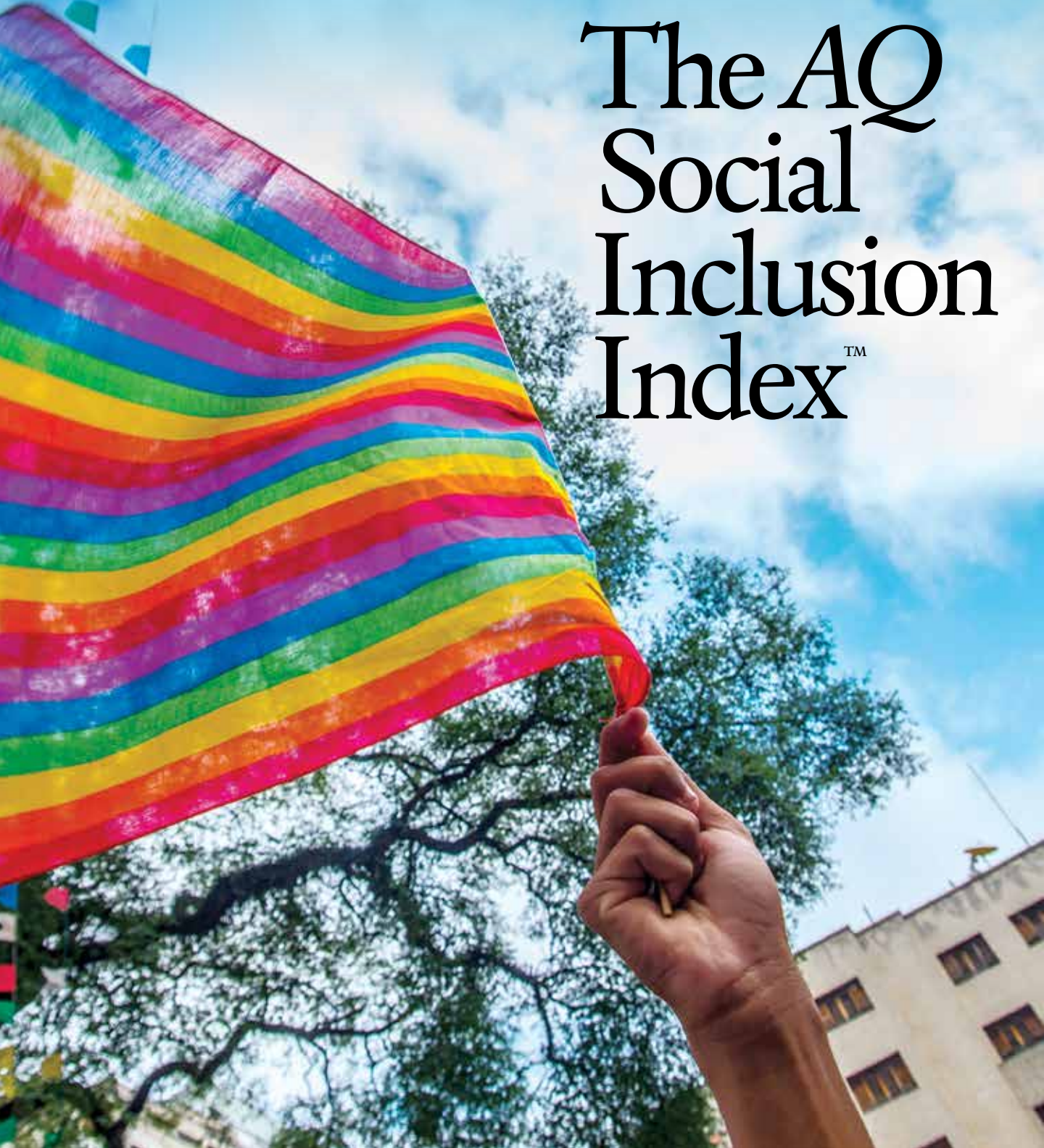
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# The AQ Social Inclusion Index™



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COUNTRY	RANKING		GDP GROWTH 2005-2015	GDP SPENT ON SOCIAL PROGRAMS	ENROLLMENT SECONDARY SCHOOL-BY GENDER	ENROLLMENT SECONDARY SCHOOL-BY RACE	POLITICAL RIGHTS	CIVIL RIGHTS	WOMEN'S RIGHTS	LGBT FRIENDLINESS	ETHNO-RACIAL INCLUSION	LITERACY
	2016	2015										
<b>URUGUAY</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	3	4	13	7	1	1	2	1	7	1
Brazil	2	6	14	7	4	2	6	5	7	3	1	11
Chile	3	5	9	12	1	1	2	2	9	6	13	4
Ecuador	4	7	10	11	5	3	14	13	5	8	2	10
Costa Rica	5	4	8	2	3	N/A	3	4	3	12	9	3
Argentina	6	3	6	14	2	N/A	8	5	7	1	9	2
Colombia	7	9	7	6	6	N/A	10	15	5	4	2	9
Bolivia	8	8	4	3	9	N/A	10	9	12	9	6	6
Paraguay	9	11	5	9	7	4	13	10	16	14	15	5
Peru	10	10	2	16	10	5	9	8	11	10	13	8
Mexico	11	13	15	13	12	8	12	10	3	6	16	7
El Salvador	12	12	16	15	11	N/A	6	12	10	10	17	13
Nicaragua	13	14	11	8	N/A	N/A	16	13	13	13	7	N/A
Honduras	14	15	12	5	15	N/A	16	17	13	14	9	12
Guatemala	15	16	13	17	14	9	15	16	17	14	12	14
United States*	N/A	2	17	1	N/A	N/A	4	3	1	4	2	N/A
Panama	N/A	N/A	1	10	8	6	5	5	15	17	5	N/A

\*The U.S. and Panama lack data from several sources and were therefore omitted from the overall ranking. Similarly, in an effort to focus on coverage of Latin America, AQ refrained from using alternative data sources for the U.S. this year. Venezuela has historically been excluded from the Index because of concerns over quality of government data.

Now in its fifth year, the *Americas Quarterly* Social Inclusion Index™ is an innovative way to measure how effectively countries are serving all their citizens—regardless of race, income level or creed. Going beyond traditional economic variables like gross domestic product, the Index measures 23 different factors including civil rights, women’s rights and policy toward the LGBT community. It then ranks 17 countries accordingly. For 2016, Uruguay is the winner for the third consecutive year, while countries in Central America’s Northern Triangle remain near the bottom of the ranking. We at AQ hope the Index will once again serve as a forum for debate and, ultimately, policy solutions to make our hemisphere a better, more inclusive place.

*Americas Quarterly* is pleased to announce its partnership with the Latin American Public Opinion Project (LAPOP) at Vanderbilt University in the collection of data and the calculation of the 2016 Social Inclusion Index. Working with LAPOP’s leading statisticians and researchers allows us to strengthen the statistical relevance and accuracy of scoring. The AQ Social Inclusion Index is generously supported by the Seattle International Foundation.

	CIVIL SOCIETY PARTICIPATION—BY GENDER	CIVIL SOCIETY PARTICIPATION—BY RACE	FINANCIAL INCLUSION—BY GENDER	MORE THAN \$4 A DAY—BY GENDER	MORE THAN \$4 A DAY—BY RACE	PERSONAL EMPOWERMENT—BY GENDER	PERSONAL EMPOWERMENT—BY RACE	GOVERNMENT RESPONSIVENESS—BY GENDER	GOVERNMENT RESPONSIVENESS—BY RACE	ACCESS TO ADEQUATE HOUSING—BY GENDER	ACCESS TO ADEQUATE HOUSING—BY RACE	ACCESS TO FORMAL JOB—BY GENDER	ACCESS TO FORMAL JOB—BY RACE
16	16	8	1	2	5	3	2	1	2	1	1	1	
12	8	2	6	3	14	15	10	10	4	2	3	3	
15	13	4	2	1	9	5	8	8	3	3	2	2	
2	5	9	9	6	7	9	1	2	7	6	7	4	
14	14	3	3	N/A	7	8	10	14	1	N/A	4	N/A	
17	17	5	4	N/A	3	4	7	6	5	N/A	6	N/A	
9	7	11	12	N/A	17	10	17	16	9	N/A	5	N/A	
4	10	10	10	N/A	11	16	3	3	13	N/A	12	N/A	
1	1	14	7	4	10	12	13	13	10	5	10	6	
10	9	16	8	5	12	14	9	9	11	8	9	5	
11	12	6	11	7	15	13	15	15	6	4	11	7	
8	6	13	14	N/A	3	2	4	5	14	N/A	8	N/A	
7	4	17	13	8	15	11	5	7	8	7	15	8	
5	3	15	15	N/A	6	6	14	12	12	N/A	14	N/A	
3	2	12	16	9	13	17	12	11	15	9	13	9	
13	15	1	N/A	N/A	1	1	16	17	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
6	11	7	5	10	2	7	6	4	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	





# Uruguay Wins Again. Why?

A look at the country's progressive policies that keep it in its leadership position.

**by Alana Tummino and Rebecca Bintrim**

Standing together:  
Women in Montevideo  
demonstrate during  
the International Day  
for the Elimination of  
Violence Against Women.

A small country sandwiched between larger neighbors has claimed the number-one spot in *Americas Quarterly* Social Inclusion Index™—for the third year in a row. So, what does Uruguay keep getting right?

Simply put, the country does a better job than its peers of protecting people regardless of their gender, sexual orientation or race. Uruguay's progressive laws, such as marriage equality passed in 2013, help—but they're not the only factor. Uruguayans themselves place huge importance on inclusion, and their country's position in the ranking is also boosted by robust access to housing, job generation and economic growth.

Uruguay enjoys a “profound respect for the rule of law and a strong democratic tradition (which) create a breeding ground for promoting individuality and equality for all,” Michelle Suárez Bértora, a Uruguayan lawyer, activist and the country's first transsexual elected to office, told *AQ*.

PANTA ASTIAZARAN/AFP/GETTY

Meanwhile, many countries in the Index continue to struggle. Those in Central America's Northern Triangle—El Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala—as well as Nicaragua lack protection of basic rights and access to jobs and housing, while combatting high poverty rates and low economic growth. Distinct histories and daily realities beg the question if comparing a country such as Uruguay with a country like Honduras is a fair exercise.

We believe the answer is yes. Now in its fifth year, the Index creates another benchmark for the region that goes beyond just GDP growth. We also hope the Index can serve as a guide to policymakers, multilateral agencies and others working to promote inclusionary policies and target vulnerable populations, as well as measure the impact of policies that are in place.

Based on what we know from Uruguay and other countries near the top of the Index, here are some strategies for their peers to catch up:

**1 Support the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) community.** There is a growing understanding throughout Latin America—and the world—that LGBT rights are human rights, and are crucial for development and social equality. While pro-LGBT momentum is rising in the region, Uruguay has been a leader in this field. In 2013, Uruguay passed same-sex marriage laws with a large majority, and prior, in 2009 was the first in the region to legalize adoption rights for same-sex couples and pass progressive gender identity laws allowing transsexuals to reflect their gender of choice on all official documents.

**2 Empower women.** From health to politics, Uruguay has increasingly supported women's rights. It is the only country in our Index that allows for full reproductive rights for women, after decriminalizing abortion in 2012. While many countries in the region boast high numbers of women in political power and quota laws to support women in legislative positions, such as Argentina, Chile and Nicaragua, this does not directly translate to increased protection for reproductive rights. However, the tide could slowly be turning, as evidenced by Chile, where President Michelle Bachelet has followed through on a campaign promise to introduce legislation that ends the country's ban on abortion. And while abortion is illegal in many countries across the region, it doesn't mean that women are not getting them—a topic brought to the forefront as the Zika epidemic surged across Latin America.



I vote yes:  
Uruguayans march  
in favor of legalizing  
abortion in 2008.

ANDRES STAPPE/REUTERS





Love wins: Rodrigo Borda and Sergio Miranda are the first official gay couple married in Uruguay in 2013.

**Simply put, Uruguay does a better job than its peers of protecting people regardless of their gender, sexual orientation or race.**

**3 Secure access to a job and housing, across race and gender.** A steady source of income and adequate housing are crucial components for a stable livelihood and the backbone for living above the poverty line. Uruguay, along with Chile and Brazil, lead the region in providing employment opportunities as well as access to housing with water and electricity.

**4 Support political and civil rights.** Uruguay's progressive policies under former President José Mujica and current President Tabaré Vázquez have thrived in a country which respects political and civil rights. The country enjoys an open and competitive multiparty system, low levels of corruption and freedom of expression and religion. This allows Uruguayans to trust their political system as well as their protection of civil rights. Chile and Costa Rica join Uruguay in the top third of the rankings.

**Meanwhile,** there is always room for improvement, even for the country on top. While Uruguay leads the region in many variables, there are notice-

able gaps in areas such as ethno-racial inclusion, where it falls squarely in the middle of the rankings in relation to its regional peers.

With an estimated 8 percent of the population identifying as Afro-Uruguayan—and a far lower percentage represented in government positions—Afro and indigenous rights are playing catch-up in an otherwise progressive country. Although laws were passed over the past decade to combat discrimination, there is still work to be done on their implementation. “Cultural prejudices and institutional racism create a barrier between the political will of the current government and the administrative body responsible for delivering services created for inclusion,” Afro-Uruguayan activist and Montevideo’s executive coordinator of Ethnic, Racial and Migrant Equality, Beatriz Santos Arrascaeta, told *AQ*.

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# Scorecards

Country		Overall Score	
Argentina		78.38	
GDP Growth		4.72%	
GDP Spent on Social Programs		8.00%	
Enrollment Secondary School			
BY GENDER	male	92.06%	female 92.74%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Political Rights	0	10	20 30 31 40
Civil Rights	0	10	20 30 40 48 50 60
Women's Rights	0	10	20 27 30 40
LGBT Friendliness	1	2	3 4 5 6 7 8 9 9
Ethno-Racial Inclusion	2	4	6 7 8 10 12
Literacy	0	30	60 90 97.97%
Civil Society Participation			
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	0.89	female 1.13
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	0.94	minority 1.14
Financial Inclusion			
BY GENDER	male	49.46%	female 50.85%

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	87.57%	female 86.98%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	4.34	female 3.92
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	4.14	minority 4.08
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.53	female 3.42
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.44	minority 3.54
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	93.75%	female 93.66%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	74.63%	female 67.85%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A

Country		Overall Score	
Bolivia		74.91	
GDP Growth		4.98%	
GDP Spent on Social Programs		11.60%	
Enrollment Secondary School			
BY GENDER	male	88.11%	female 87.07%
BY RACE*	non-minority	87.59%	minority N/A
Political Rights	0	10	20 29 30 40
Civil Rights	0	10	20 30 39 40 50 60
Women's Rights	0	10	20 21 30 40
LGBT Friendliness	1	2	3 4 5 6 7 8 9
Ethno-Racial Inclusion	2	4	6 8 9 10 12
Literacy	0	30	60 90 94.46%
Civil Society Participation			
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	2.07	female 2.13
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	1.47	minority 2.14
Financial Inclusion			
BY GENDER	male	43.97%	female 37.62%

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	74.97%	female 73.28%
BY RACE*	non-minority	74.11%	minority N/A
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.97	female 3.56
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	4.21	minority 3.73
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.68	female 3.71
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.55	minority 3.70
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	63.64%	female 64.64%
BY RACE*	non-minority	64.15%	minority N/A
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	45.09%	female 51.21%
BY RACE*	non-minority	47.50%	minority N/A

\* Disaggregated race data not included in overall score



Country		Overall Score							
Brazil		82.57							
GDP Growth		2.80%							
GDP Spent on Social Programs		9.75%							
Enrollment Secondary School									
BY GENDER	male	91.39%	female 90.52%						
BY RACE*	non-minority	90.94%	minority 90.82%						
Political Rights	0	10	20	30	33	40			
Civil Rights	0	10	20	30	40	48	50	60	
Women's Rights	0	10	20	27	30	40			
LGBT Friendliness	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Ethno-Racial Inclusion	2	4	6	8	10	12	12		
Literacy	0	30	60	90	91.48%				
Civil Society Participation									
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	1.53	female 1.76						
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	1.59	minority 1.67						
Financial Inclusion									
BY GENDER	male	71.69%	female 64.77%						

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	82.29%	female 81.58%
BY RACE*	non-minority	82.22%	minority 78.88%
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.76	female 3.40
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.69	minority 3.52
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.24	female 3.22
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.16	minority 3.26
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	94.40%	female 95.08%
BY RACE*	non-minority	94.89%	minority 93.36%
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	81.99%	female 79.52%
BY RACE*	non-minority	81.16%	minority 78.10%

Country		Overall Score	
Chile		80.95	
GDP Growth		4.05%	
GDP Spent on Social Programs		8.41%	
Enrollment Secondary School			
BY GENDER	male	96.14%	female 95.61%
BY RACE*	non-minority	95.89%	minority 95.81%
Political Rights			
01020303840			
Civil Rights			
010203040505760			
Women's Rights			
01020253040			
LGBT Friendliness			
1234567789			
Ethno-Racial Inclusion			
246681012			
Literacy			
030609096.70%			
Civil Society Participation			
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	1.12	female 1.49
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	1.31	minority 1.32
Financial Inclusion			
BY GENDER	male	67.82%	female 59.07%

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	92.50%	female 91.81%
BY RACE*	non-minority	92.65%	minority 87.17%
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	4.44	female 3.78
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	4.04	minority 4.13
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.31	female 3.32
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.29	minority 3.33
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	97.43%	female 97.82%
BY RACE*	non-minority	98.35%	minority 90.70%
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	89.06%	female 84.04%
BY RACE*	non-minority	87.16%	minority 83.50%

\* Disaggregated race data not included in overall score

Country		Overall Score	
Colombia		75.53	
GDP Growth		4.59%	
GDP Spent on Social Programs		10.08%	
Enrollment Secondary School			
BY GENDER	male	88.81%	female 87.76%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Political Rights			
Civil Rights			
Women's Rights			
LGBT Friendliness			
Ethno-Racial Inclusion			
Literacy			
Civil Society Participation			
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	1.71	female 1.84
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	1.71	minority 1.80
Financial Inclusion			
BY GENDER	male	43.48%	female 33.58%
Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	72.18%	female 71.20%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	4.21	female 3.31
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.66	minority 3.79
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	2.79	female 2.56
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	2.68	minority 2.68
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	85.98%	female 87.04%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	68.77%	female 66.84%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A

Country		Overall Score	
Costa Rica		79.18	
GDP Growth		4.30%	
GDP Spent on Social Programs		11.66%	
Enrollment Secondary School			
BY GENDER	male	90.93%	female 91.45%
BY RACE*	non-minor	N/A	minority N/A
Political Rights			
Civil Rights			
Women's Rights			
LGBT Friendliness			
Ethno-Racial Inclusion			
Literacy			
Civil Society Participation			
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	1.18	female 1.43
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	1.24	minority 1.39
Financial Inclusion			
BY GENDER	male	69.22%	female 60.24%
Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	88.32%	female 87.66%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	4.22	female 3.80
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	4.10	minority 3.91
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.29	female 3.24
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.41	minority 3.09
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	98.43%	female 98.72%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	78.07%	female 70.07%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A

\* Disaggregated race data not included in overall score

Country		Overall Score	
Ecuador		79.88	
GDP Growth		4.01%	
GDP Spent on Social Programs		8.69%	
Enrollment Secondary School			
BY GENDER	male	90.46%	female 89.02%
BY RACE*	non-minority	89.99%	minority 88.06%
Political Rights			
Civil Rights			
Women's Rights			
LGBT Friendliness			
Ethno-Racial Inclusion			
Literacy			
Civil Society Participation			
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	2.30	female 2.34
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	2.78	minority 2.28
Financial Inclusion			
BY GENDER	male	51.87%	female 40.82%

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	78.38%	female 76.68%
BY RACE*	non-minority	79.57%	minority 59.28%
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	4.22	female 3.80
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	4.31	minority 3.99
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.83	female 3.81
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.96	minority 3.81
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	91.19%	female 91.90%
BY RACE*	non-minority	92.63%	minority 81.94%
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	59.25%	female 69.65%
BY RACE*	non-minority	63.76%	minority 53.13%

Country		Overall Score	
El Salvador		67.57	
GDP Growth		1.92%	
GDP Spent on Social Programs		7.89%	
Enrollment Secondary School			
BY GENDER	male	85.05%	female 84.31%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Political Rights	0	10	20 30 33 40
Civil Rights	0	10	20 30 36 40 50 60
Women's Rights	0	10	20 23 30 40
LGBT Friendliness	1	2	3 4 4 5 6 7 8 9
Ethno-Racial Inclusion	2	3	4 6 8 10 12
Literacy	0	30	60 86.77% 90
Civil Society Participation			
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	1.73	female 1.87
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	1.86	minority 1.80
Financial Inclusion			
BY GENDER	male	40.28%	female 29.36%

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	68.50%	female 69.17%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	4.53	female 4.00
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	4.17	minority 4.25
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.53	female 3.51
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.55	minority 3.51
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	62.03%	female 64.55%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	52.32%	female 54.63%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A

\* Disaggregated race data not included in overall score



Country		Overall Score	
Guatemala		59.98	
GDP Growth		3.70%	
GDP Spent on Social Programs		5.18%	
Enrollment Secondary School			
BY GENDER	male	72.65%	female 68.62%
BY RACE*	non-minority	77.04%	minority 58.76%
Political Rights	0	10	20 23 30 40
Civil Rights	0	10	20 30 31 40 50 60
Women's Rights	0	10	16 20 30 40
LGBT Friendliness	1	2	3 4 5 6 7 8 9
Ethno-Racial Inclusion	2	4	6 6.5 8 10 12
Literacy	0	30	60 77.04% 90
Civil Society Participation			
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	2.34	female 2.18
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	2.18	minority 2.33
Financial Inclusion			
BY GENDER	male	47.72%	female 34.56%

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	40.57%	female 40.20%
BY RACE*	non-minority	51.39%	minority 23.05%
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.62	female 3.41
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.73	minority 3.33
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.19	female 3.14
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.13	minority 3.19
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	46.37%	female 48.28%
BY RACE*	non-minority	54.49%	minority 36.13%
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	31.42%	female 40.45%
BY RACE*	non-minority	41.37%	minority 17.79%

Country		Overall Score	
Honduras		63.21	
GDP Growth		3.80%	
GDP Spent on Social Programs		10.29%	
Enrollment Secondary School			
BY GENDER	male	56.84%	female 63.72%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Political Rights	0	10	19 20 30 40
Civil Rights	0	10	26 30 40 50 60
Women's Rights	0	10	20 30 40
LGBT Friendliness	1	2	3 4 5 6 7 8 9
Ethno-Racial Inclusion	2	4	6 7 8 10 12
Literacy	0	30	60 87.20% 90
Civil Society Participation			
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	2.02	female 2.12
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	2.10	minority 2.06
Financial Inclusion			
BY GENDER	male	35.39%	female 24.87%

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	45.48%	female 45.61%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	4.27	female 3.88
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	4.17	minority 4.05
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.06	female 3.19
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.14	minority 3.12
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	73.15%	female 75.41%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	6.63%	female 12.14%
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A

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Country		Overall Score	
Mexico		68.89	
GDP Growth		2.47%	
GDP Spent on Social Programs		8.41%	
Enrollment Secondary School			
BY GENDER	male	83.24%	female 82.16%
BY RACE*	non-minority	84.12%	minority 78.97%
Political Rights	0	10	20 28 30 40
Civil Rights	0	10	20 30 37 40 50 60
Women's Rights	0	10	20 30 31 40
LGBT Friendliness	1	2	3 4 5 6 7 8 9
Ethno-Racial Inclusion	2	4	6 8 10 12
Literacy	0	30	60 90 93.96%
Civil Society Participation			
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	1.54	female 1.75
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	1.44	minority 1.70
Financial Inclusion			
BY GENDER	male	38.54%	female 38.84%

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	73.88%	female 72.28%
BY RACE*	non-minority	77.31%	minority 61.05%
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	4.04	female 3.40
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.83	minority 3.69
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	2.89	female 2.94
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.05	minority 2.88
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	91.22%	female 91.51%
BY RACE*	non-minority	93.63%	minority 85.01%
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	42.90%	female 42.54%
BY RACE*	non-minority	46.17%	minority 30.98%

Country		Overall Score		
Nicaragua		64.75		
GDP Growth		3.83%		
GDP Spent on Social Programs		9.59%		
Enrollment Secondary School				
BY GENDER	male	N/A	female	N/A
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority	N/A
Political Rights				
01019203040				
Civil Rights				
010203035405060				
Women's Rights				
010203040				
LGBT Friendliness				
12.53456789				
Ethno-Racial Inclusion				
246810128				
Literacy				
0N/A306090				
Civil Society Participation				
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	1.97	female	2.19
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	1.96	minority	2.11
Financial Inclusion				
BY GENDER	male	23.90%	female	14.06%

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	78.27%	female 72.02%
BY RACE*	non-minority	73.95%	minority 97.06%
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	4.25	female 3.47
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	4.05	minority 3.80
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.59	female 3.48
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.73	minority 3.48
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	87.42%	female 91.14%
BY RACE*	non-minority	88.64%	minority 97.65%
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	46.69%	female 15.31%
BY RACE*	non-minority	32.48%	minority 25.00%

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Country		Overall Score	
Panama		N/A	
GDP Growth		7.57%	
GDP Spent on Social Programs		9.17%	
Enrollment Secondary School			
BY GENDER	male	88.28%	female 90.94%
BY RACE*	non-minority	81.99%	minority 90.21%
Political Rights			
Civil Rights			
Women's Rights			
LGBT Friendliness			
Ethno-Racial Inclusion			
Literacy			
Civil Society Participation			
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	1.92	female 1.91
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	1.57	minority 2.11
Financial Inclusion			
BY GENDER	male	46.57%	female 40.26%

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	81.46%	female 81.41%
BY RACE*	non-minority	13.28%	minority 86.02%
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	4.03	female 3.82
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.93	minority 3.92
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.62	female 3.47
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.58	minority 3.53
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	N/A	female N/A
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	N/A	female N/A
BY RACE*	non-minority	N/A	minority N/A

Country		Overall Score	
Paraguay		70.52	
GDP Growth		4.79%	
GDP Spent on Social Programs		9.47%	
Enrollment Secondary School			
BY GENDER	male	87.40%	female 88.03%
BY RACE*	non-minority	88.08%	minority 85.88%
Political Rights			
Civil Rights			
Women's Rights			
LGBT Friendliness			
Ethno-Racial Inclusion			
Literacy			
Civil Society Participation			
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	2.32	female 2.30
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	2.38	minority 2.26
Financial Inclusion			
BY GENDER	male	20.68%	female 22.71%

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	81.16%	female 81.51%
BY RACE*	non-minority	82.31%	minority 78.14%
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.84	female 3.52
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.73	minority 3.64
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.18	female 3.11
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.07	minority 3.20
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	83.62%	female 84.80%
BY RACE*	non-minority	84.71%	minority 82.59%
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	45.00%	female 45.70%
BY RACE*	non-minority	46.35%	minority 42.11%

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Country		Overall Score								
Peru		70.06								
GDP Growth		5.90%								
GDP Spent on Social Programs		6.98%								
Enrollment Secondary School										
BY GENDER	male	86.03%	female 87.12%							
BY RACE*	non-minority	85.74%	minority 88.39%							
Political Rights	0	10	20	30	40	30				
Civil Rights	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	41		
Women's Rights	0	10	20	30	40	22				
LGBT Friendliness	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	4
Ethno-Racial Inclusion	2	4	6	8	10	12	6			
Literacy	0	30	60	90	93.84%					
Civil Society Participation										
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	1.72	female 1.90							
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	1.53	minority 1.84							
Financial Inclusion										
BY GENDER	male	35.66%	female 22.50%							

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	80.36%	female 80.41%
BY RACE*	non-minority	85.46%	minority 69.10%
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.95	female 3.54
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.47	minority 3.78
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	3.34	female 3.28
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.19	minority 3.33
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	76.14%	female 77.39%
BY RACE*	non-minority	79.88%	minority 70.01%
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	59.64%	female 52.90%
BY RACE*	non-minority	59.14%	minority 48.73%

Country		Overall Score	
Uruguay		86.80	
GDP Growth		5.02%	
GDP Spent on Social Programs		10.47%	
Enrollment Secondary School			
BY GENDER	male	84.03%	female 89.05%
BY RACE*	non-minority	86.95%	minority 80.58%
Political Rights			
Civil Rights			
Women's Rights			
LGBT Friendliness			
Ethno-Racial Inclusion			
Literacy			
Civil Society Participation			
BY GENDER (1-5)	male	0.92	female 1.05
BY RACE (1-5)*	non-minority	0.96	minority 1.06
Financial Inclusion			
BY GENDER	male	50.07%	female 41.27%

Percent Living on More than \$4 per Day			
BY GENDER	male	93.31%	female 92.95%
BY RACE*	non-minority	93.57%	minority 86.30%
Personal Empowerment			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	4.67	female 4.03
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	4.41	minority 4.15
Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)			
BY GENDER (1-7)	male	4.00	female 3.85
BY RACE (1-7)*	non-minority	3.96	minority 3.82
Access to Adequate Housing			
BY GENDER	male	97.60%	female 97.93%
BY RACE*	non-minority	97.92%	minority 95.45%
Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)			
BY GENDER	male	91.95%	female 89.50%
BY RACE*	non-minority	91.20%	minority 84.84%

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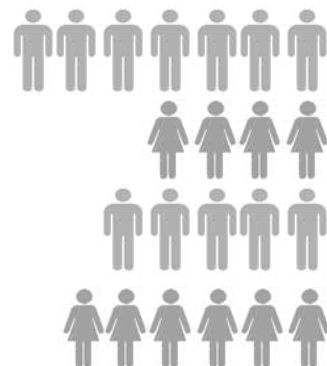


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