

Ambassador Sandra Fuentes-Berain Mexico's Consul General in New York

Opening Remarks

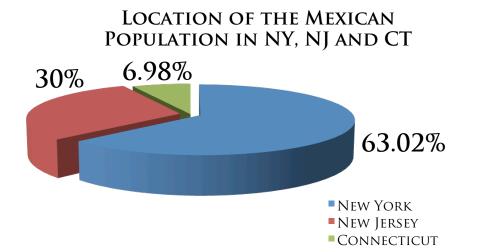
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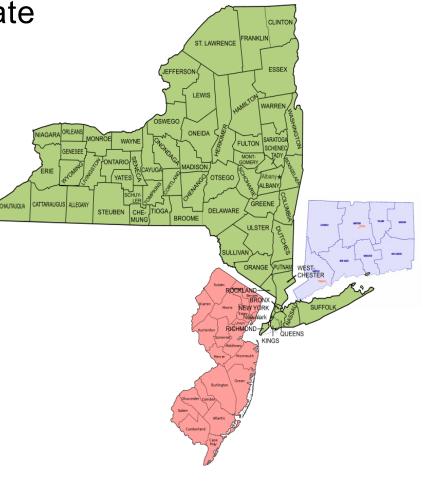


Mexicans in the Tri-State Area

Officially, there are 725,661 Mexicans living in the Tri-state area*

The Consulate's estimate is that there are around 1.2 million





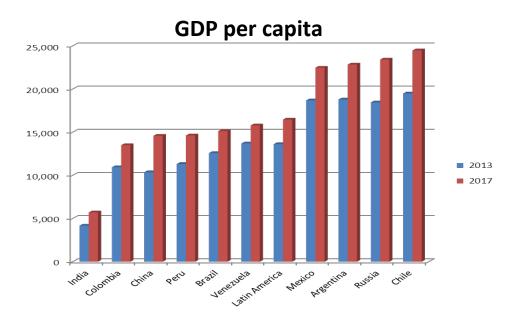
* According to the last US Census (2010)



Latin America Overview

- Expected regional growth of 3.6% in 2013 (but the deterioration in the regional outlook comes within the context of stabilizing growth forecasts for the global economy).
- Latin America exports are based on commodities (China), but some countries have strong manufacture-based industries.

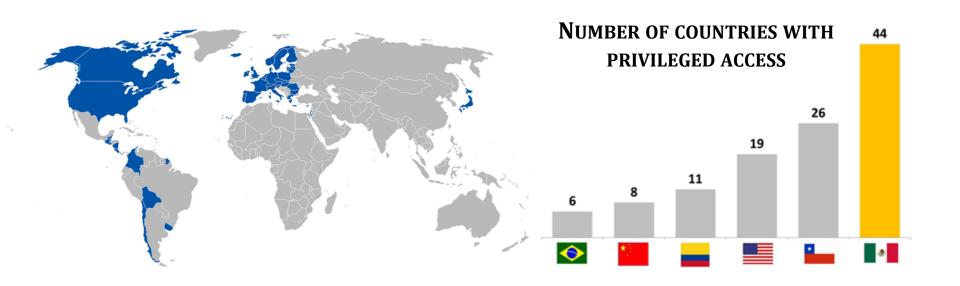
- Rise of middle class through greater economic stability, increases in minimum wages.
- Poverty gap.
- Latin America must invest in R&D.





Trade Agreements

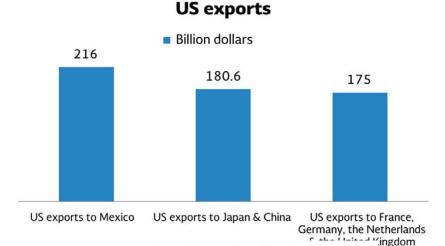
Currently, Mexico is the country that has signed the largest number of free trade agreements in the world –12 FTAs, which include 44 countries in America, Europe and Asia, in addition to 23 bilateral investment agreements that provide preferential access to a market of close to 1.2 billion potential consumers.



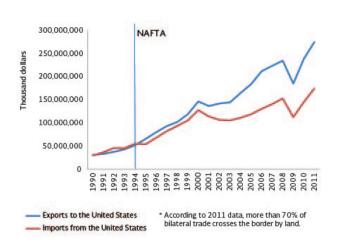


Trade Mexico-USA

- In 2012 Mexico-US total trade reached \$494 billion dollars ...more than \$1.3 billion dollars per day, almost \$1 million dollars per minute.
- Mexico is the second largest destination for U.S. exports and the third largest source of imports, 6 million U.S. jobs depend on trade with Mexico.
- The US Government estimates that each additional billion dollars in new exports supports more than 6,000 new jobs.



Mexico's bilateral trade with the United States



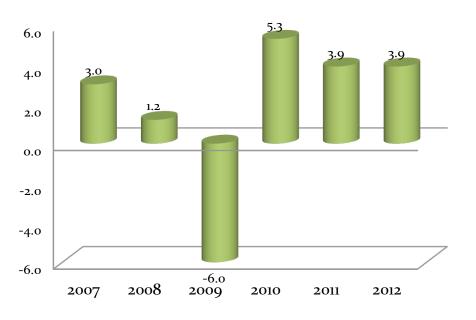


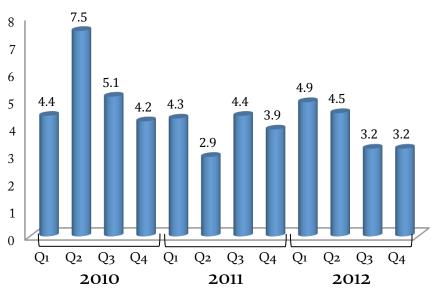
Mexico's Economic Overview

Mexico has maintained sound economic growth for the last 3 years. In 2010, our economy grew 5.6%, in 2011, 3.9%, and 3.9% in 2012, accumulating 15 consecutive quarters of growth.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (GDP)

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL REAL % VARIATION

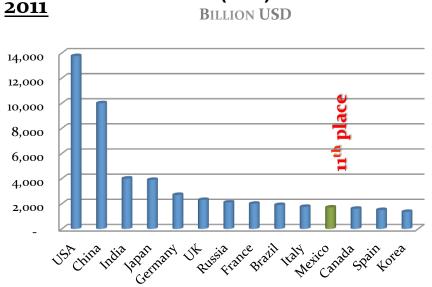




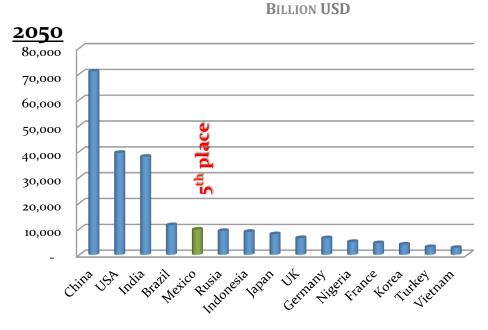


Forecast for the Ranking of Mexico's Economy

WORLD'S LARGEST GDP MEASURED BY PURCHASING POWER PARITY (PPP)

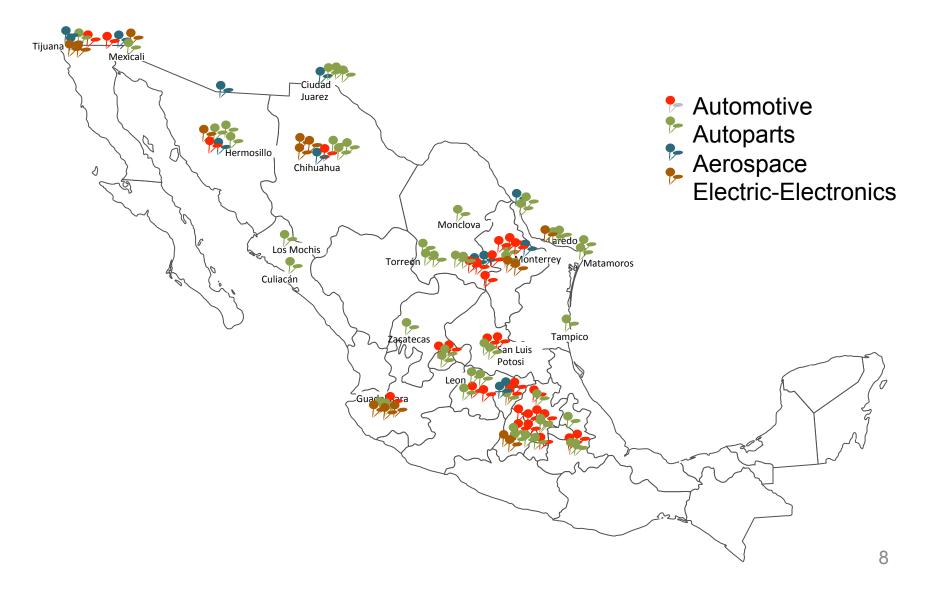


GDP - GOLDMAN SACHS FORECAST



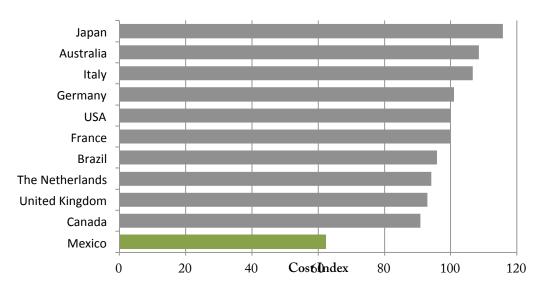


Map of Mexico's Advanced Manufacturing





Software development (US=100)



*According to KPMG, software development costs in Mexico are 40% lower than in the United States.

Information Technology

- Mexico is the natural IT services supplier to the Latin and North American markets.
- Mexico is ranked as the best destination in America for providing IT services, according to A.T. Kearney.
- Gartner Consulting ranks Mexico 3rd global IT services supplier.
- Mexico is ranked 2nd investment destination in Latin America with a 23% share in software projects in the region.



Structural Reforms

Structural reforms are designed to ensure that Mexico can unlock its potential





Education

PROMOTION OF A T NECESSARY REFORMS FOR

A THRIVING FUTURE FOR MEXICO









Mexico has a solid foundation on which to attain these goals: healthy public finances; a manageable debt level; a budget with no fiscal deficit; a responsible and autonomous monetary policy, as well as adequate international reserves