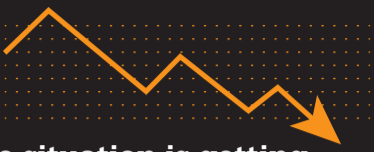


# Latin America and the Caribbean RECORD LEVELS OF INEQUALITY



**FIRST PRIZE**

The most unequal region in the world



The situation is getting worse.

**30 million** Latin Americans are at risk of falling back into poverty



< economic growth + > inequality = ↑ poverty



Women suffer disproportionately



The Sustainable Development Goals place global equality at the heart of development.

All of the countries in the region have signed up

### Record VIOLENCE

**BRAZIL** ↑ THREATS to environmental and human rights defenders

**LATIN AMERICA** 8% of the world's population, 33% of murders in the world

**GUATEMALA + EL SALVADOR + HONDURAS** 566,700 displaced as a result of violence

**COLOMBIA** MOST dangerous country in the world for human rights defenders

**BOLIVIA** LAC record for physical violence against women

**EL SALVADOR** Global record for number of women murdered: 14 in every 100,000

**BRAZIL** ↓ 10% white women murdered, ↑ 54% black and mixed race women murdered

### Ethnic and racial INEQUALITY

↓ income than the rest of the population

**21.5%** of land = indigenous territories. Rights not guaranteed!

**GUATEMALA** Indigenous vs Non Indigenous MALNUTRITION

**REPÚBLICA DOMINICANA** Thousands of Dominicans of Haitian descent have NO ID papers. This means no access to many social services!

**GUATEMALA** Poverty: 79% Rural indigenous areas, 46.6% Rest of the population

**NICARAGUA** indigenous women only 57% literacy rate

**ENDING POVERTY** requires the guarantee of cultural and land rights for rural indigenous populations

### INEQUALITY, Governance and Power

**MEGA projects:** power held by MULTINATIONALS

**LAND & POWER** in hands of MULTINATIONALS

**Corruption!**

Latinobarómetro survey: For the first time people think the situation is WORSENING

73% think power lies with THE ELITE

Growing number of women in POLITICAL ROLES but in less powerful positions

**BOLIVIA** Rural indigenous women < access to education compared to men, < access to info on legislation and policies

### Fiscal INEQUALITY

**TAX EVASION & AVOIDANCE:** loss of USD 190 billion per year

**TAX INCENTIVES** Corporate income tax forgone: USD 33.2 billion per year

**COLOMBIA** 1% owns 20% of the wealth, USD 100,000 million held in tax havens

**LATINOAMÉRICA** One of the lowest levels of TAX COLLECTION: 21.7% of GDP

**EL SALVADOR** 40% corporate income tax, 53% VAT

### GENDER Inequality

**WOMEN contribute more to VAT**

Low capital gains tax benefits men more than women

**NICARAGUA** Small business owners: 58.1% men, 9.7% women

**DOMINICAN REPUBLIC** 71% of women earn less than their partner

**Unpaid care work:** Men: 1 h. per day, Women: 7 h. per day

**ILLITERACY in rural women:** EL SALVADOR 37.5%, GUATEMALA 65.9%, BOLIVIA 45.8%. Obstacle = Education

**Women: 2 jobs** Paid job + Unpaid care work

**WOMEN earn 22% less than men** With worse labour conditions

**More than half:** Micro-enterprises (unqualified, self-employed workers) + Very low income No welfare benefits

**FORCED MIGRATION** to urban areas: less jobs for women

**RURAL WOMEN spend MORE time getting ENERGY**

**Access to energy:** Most difficult for rural, poor women

**Access to low carbon energy:** Even more difficult for rural, poor women

**Top 10 of most affected countries includes:** Haiti, Honduras, Guatemala

**Climate change affects the poor and vulnerable MOST**

**Cost of climate change to the region:** USD 100 billion per year by 2050

### INEQUALITY & Decent work

Those earning less than half the min. wage: 18% (Brazil average), 3% (Quilombola)

**Youth unemployment: 13%** in the region, Worse in rural areas

Civil society + NGOs + Social Movements = We demand equal opportunities!  
The Sustainable Development Goals call for equality not only of opportunities but also of outcomes. Leave no one behind!