



# THE SOCIAL INCLUSION INCLUSION INDEX

In a new regular feature, Americas Quarterly unveils a way to measure, track and compare social inclusion in the Americas.

hat really is social inclusion? From scholars to multilateral banks to President Ollanta Humala of Peru, social inclusion has become the term du jour. Implicitly, most of us understand it as more than development; it includes elements of political participation, social rights, civil liberties, and equal access—across race, ethnicity and gender—to social services and labor markets.

If we can define it, presumably we can also measure it, or at least some components of it. There are a number of evolving and sophisticated efforts currently under way to measure elements of social inclusion. One of these is the World Bank's excellent Human Opportunity Index that measures circumstances affecting access to goods and services (education and housing). (See www.worldbank.org/

*lacopportunity.*) Yet social inclusion also contains an element of political voice and freedom that is often lacking in more economic measures.

Here we present the results of measuring multiple dimensions of social inclusion from a series of private and public meetings held with economists, sociologists, representatives of multilateral banks, and political scientists. Does it include everything? Does it strive for consensus? No and no. For this, the first cut, the point is to begin a debate on the concrete dimensions of social inclusion, how to measure it and where countries rank.

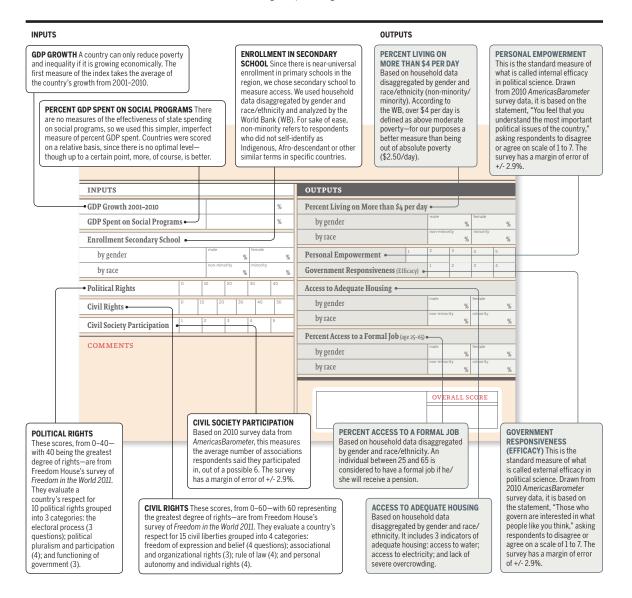
Every two years, we will revisit this index to track changes in social inclusion. We will also refine it over time, adjusting, combining and perhaps adding new variables and countries as relevant data become available.

**INTRODUCTION** Social inclusion is the concept that a citizen has the ability to participate in the basic political, economic and social functioning of his or her society. It includes not just economic empowerment, but also access to basic social services, access to infrastructure (physical and institutional), access to the formal labor market, civil and political participation and voice, and the absence of legally sanctioned discrimination based on race, ethnicity or gender.

States have the capacity (and responsibility) to directly or indirectly affect these conditions. For this reason we have organized the index into: **INPUTS TO SOCIAL INCLUSION** (the political environment, economic conditions, state policies, and access to services that promote social inclusion) and **OUTPUTS OF SOCIAL INCLUSION** (the economic, political and policy outcomes that result from policies, rights and economic conditions that lead to social inclusion over the long term).

For each of the 15 variables below, we scored all 11 countries on a relative scale that we then combined and converted to 0-100 (with 100 representing the highest a country could score if it were to outperform its hemispheric neighbors in all 15 variables). We also developed a scale that included the U.S., based on 7 of the variables for which we have data. With the exception of the U.S., the 15-variable relative score is noted for each country card in the lower right corner. (The U.S. score is based only on its performance regionally in the 7 indicators.) The lower a country's overall score, the lower its ranking.

On page 122 we rank the 11 countries for which we have data in our Social Inclusion Index, overall and by variable. For more on the methodology we used to calculate the scores and rank the countries, and the data sources we consulted, please visit www.americasquarterly. org/social-inclusion-index.







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| INPUTS                      |         |                         |                |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|---------|-------------------------|----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| GDP Growth 2001-2010        | 3.85 %  |                         |                |  |  |  |  |  |
| GDP Spent on Social Pro     | 16.24 % |                         |                |  |  |  |  |  |
| Enrollment Secondary S      | chool   |                         |                |  |  |  |  |  |
| by gender                   |         | 83.49                   | 76.8%          |  |  |  |  |  |
| by race                     |         | non-minority<br>85.7%   | 71.5 %         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Political Rights            | 0       | <sup>20</sup> <b>27</b> | 30 40          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civil Rights                | 0 10    | 20 30                   | <b>q</b> 40 50 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Civil Society Participation | on 1    | 2.45 <sup>3</sup>       | 4 5            |  |  |  |  |  |

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Generally high levels of secondary school enrollment are undercut by differences by gender and race. Inequality of access for Indigenous and Afro-Bolivians occurs across education, percent earning more than \$4 per day, access to adequate housing, and access to a formal job.

| OUTPUTS                                 |           |                       |       |            |       |  |  |  |
|---|-----------|-----------------------|-------|------------|-------|--|--|--|
| Percent Living on More than \$4 per day |           |                       |       |            |       |  |  |  |
| by gender                               |           |                       | 4.5 % | 53.6 %     |       |  |  |  |
| by race                                 |           | non-minority<br>62.2% |       | 45.7%      |       |  |  |  |
| Personal Empowerment                    | 1         | 2                     | 3.96  | 4          | 5     |  |  |  |
| Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)    |           |                       | 2     | ³391       | 4     |  |  |  |
| Access to Adequate Housing              |           |                       |       |            |       |  |  |  |
| by gender                               |           | male 6                | 2.5%  | female 6   | 3.5%  |  |  |  |
| by race                                 |           | non-minor             | 2.4%  | minority 5 | 3.6%  |  |  |  |
| Percent Access to a Formal Job (ag      | ge 25-65) |                       |       |            |       |  |  |  |
| by gender                               |           |                       | 9.3%  | female 47  | 2.0%  |  |  |  |
| by race                                 |           | non-minor             | 2.7%  | minority 3 | 7.5 % |  |  |  |
|   |           |                       |       |            |       |  |  |  |

BOLIVIA

OVERALL SCORE

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| INPUTS                      |                         |         |        |                  |       |  |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---------|--------|------------------|-------|--|
| GDP Growth 2001-2010        | 2010 3.60 %             |         |        |                  |       |  |
| GDP Spent on Social Progr   | Social Programs 26.05 % |         |        | 5 %              |       |  |
| Enrollment Secondary School |                         |         |        |                  |       |  |
| by gender                   |                         | male    | 12.0%  | female           | 79.1% |  |
| by race                     |                         | non-mir | 16.0 % | minority         | 71.4% |  |
| Political Rights            | 0                       | 10      | 20     | <sup>30</sup> 32 | 40    |  |
| Civil Rights                | 0                       | 10 20   | 0 30   | 40               | 50    |  |
| Civil Society Participation | 1,42                    | 2       | 3      | 4                | 5     |  |

#### COMMENTS

Recent years of economic growth have significantly reduced poverty, as the percent living on more than \$4 per day and percent with access to formal jobs show. Brazil is also a leader in percent GDP spent on social programs—and the results can be seen in access to education and adequate housing, though disparity by race and ethnicity remains.

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| Percent Living on More than \$4 per day |        |           |       |            |       |  |  |  |  |
|---|--------|-----------|-------|------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| by gender                               |        |           | 2.3%  | 11.4 %     |       |  |  |  |  |
| by race                                 |        |           | 12.1% | minority 6 | 1.8 % |  |  |  |  |
| Personal Empowerment                    | 1      | 2         | 3,47  | 4          | 5     |  |  |  |  |
| Government Responsiveness (Eff          | icacy) | 1         | 2     | 3.20       | 4     |  |  |  |  |
| Access to Adequate Housing              |        |           |       |            |       |  |  |  |  |
| by gender                               |        | male      | 91.3% | female q   | 2.4%  |  |  |  |  |
| by race                                 |        | non-minor | 91.9% | minority q | 2.1%  |  |  |  |  |

# Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)

| by gender | <sup>male</sup> <b>78.2</b> % | 72.8% |
|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| by race   | non-minority<br>76.1%         | 12.0% |



OVERALL SCORE





| INPUTS                       |      |        |                 |          |                  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------|------|--------|-----------------|----------|------------------|--|--|--|
| GDP Growth 2001–2010         |      |        | 3.76 %          |          |                  |  |  |  |
| GDP Spent on Social Programs |      |        | 14.22 %         |          |                  |  |  |  |
| Enrollment Secondary School  |      |        |                 |          |                  |  |  |  |
| by gender                    |      | male   | 90.59           | female ( | 90.9%            |  |  |  |
| by race                      |      | non-mi | nority<br>90.89 | minority | 39.4%            |  |  |  |
| Political Rights             | 0    | 10     | 20              | 30 39    | 40               |  |  |  |
| Civil Rights                 | 0 1  | 0 2    | 0 30            | 40       | <sup>50</sup> 58 |  |  |  |
| Civil Society Participation  | 1.30 | 2      | 3               | 4        | 5                |  |  |  |

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Consistently high rankings across almost all indicators demonstrate that Chile has harnessed its economic strength and democracy to ensure better quality of life for most citizens. While a small minority in Chile, the difference by race in access to adequate housing stands out-as does the low level of civil society participation.

| OUTPUTS                                    |         |           |                     |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---------|-----------|---------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Percent Living on More than \$4 per day    |         |           |                     |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| by gender                                  |         | male 8    | 8.3%                | 87.2 %                          |  |  |  |  |  |
| by race                                    | by race |           |                     | 81.4%                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Personal Empowerment                       | 1       | 2         | 3                   | 4.12 5                          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)       |         |           | 2                   | <sup>3</sup> 3.66 <sup>4</sup>  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Access to Adequate Housing                 |         |           |                     |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| by gender                                  |         | male      | 15.9%               | 96.4 <sub>%</sub>               |  |  |  |  |  |
| by race                                    |         | non-minor | <sup>ity</sup> 1.0% | 84.3%                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65) |         |           |                     |                                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| by gender                                  |         | male 8    | 3.5%                | <sup>female</sup> <b>75.1</b> % |  |  |  |  |  |
| by race                                    |         | non-minor | 0.4%                | minority 744%                   |  |  |  |  |  |

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**OUTPUTS** 

| INPUTS                       |        |                  |                       |  |  |
|------------------------------|--------|------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| GDP Growth 2001–2010         |        |                  | 4.IO %                |  |  |
| GDP Spent on Social Programs |        |                  | 12.59 %               |  |  |
| Enrollment Secondary Sci     | hool   |                  |                       |  |  |
| by gender                    |        | male 74.         | 9% female 11.1%       |  |  |
| by race                      |        | non-minority 76. | 5% 73.3. %            |  |  |
| Political Rights             | 0      | 10 20            | 30 40                 |  |  |
| Civil Rights                 | 0      | 20               | 30 40 50<br><b>34</b> |  |  |
| Civil Society Participation  | 1 1.92 | 2 3              | 4 5                   |  |  |

#### COMMENTS

Colombia's GDP growth since 2000 marks it as one of the strongest performers. Some, though, have questioned the validity of the WB household data. The low rates of enrollment in secondary school, those living on more than \$4 per day and percent with access to a formal job are unexpectedly low.

| Percent Living on More than \$4 per day |      |
|---|------|
| by gender                               | male |

by race 48.2% Personal Empowerment 3.85 3.61 Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)

## **Access to Adequate Housing**

| by gender | 81.4% | 83.6% |
|-----------|-------|-------|
| by race   | 84.1% | 66.4% |

## Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)

| by gender | 53.3 <sub>%</sub>     | 56.9% |
|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| by race   | non-minority<br>55.3% | 47.6% |



62.9%





| INPUTS                      |        |                       |         |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|--------|-----------------------|---------|--|--|--|--|
| GDP Growth 2001–2010        |        | 4.40 %                |         |  |  |  |  |
| GDP Spent on Social Progra  | 6.39 % |                       |         |  |  |  |  |
| Enrollment Secondary School |        |                       |         |  |  |  |  |
| by gender                   |        | male <b>82.3</b> 9    | 6 83.6% |  |  |  |  |
| by race                     |        | non-minority<br>83.9% | 15.9 %  |  |  |  |  |
| Political Rights            | 0      | 10 20 <b>28</b>       | 30 40   |  |  |  |  |
| Civil Rights                | 0 10   | 20 30                 | 9 40 50 |  |  |  |  |
| Civil Society Participation | 1.79   | 2 3                   | 4 5     |  |  |  |  |

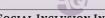
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Some have also questioned the validity of the household data for Ecuador. What's striking is that despite the country's level of polarization, the country's rate of economic growth remains high, as does the sense of personal empowerment.

| OUTPUTS                                 |        |           |                   |                          | Ц |  |  |  |
|---|--------|-----------|-------------------|--------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Percent Living on More than \$4 per day |        |           |                   |                          |   |  |  |  |
| by gender                               |        | male 6    | 8.3%              | female 66.8 %            | 6 |  |  |  |
| by race                                 |        | non-minor | winority<br>47.1% |                          |   |  |  |  |
| Personal Empowerment                    | 1      | 2         | 3                 | <b>4</b> .00 ⁵           |   |  |  |  |
| Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)    |        |           | 2                 | ³3.41 <sup>⁴</sup>       |   |  |  |  |
| Access to Adequate Housing              |        |           |                   |                          | ٦ |  |  |  |
| by gender                               |        | male 8    | 8.3%              | <sup>female</sup> 89.2 % | 6 |  |  |  |
| by race                                 |        | non-minor | 99%               | 79.2 %                   | 6 |  |  |  |
| Percent Access to a Formal Job (age     | 25-65) |           |                   |                          | ٦ |  |  |  |
| by gender                               |        | male 4    | 6.9%              | <sup>female</sup> 59.2 % | 6 |  |  |  |
| by race                                 |        | non-minor | 2.2%              | winority 41.4 %          | 6 |  |  |  |
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| INPUTS                    |                                |                       |                        |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| GDP Growth 2001-2010      |                                | 3.35 %                |                        |  |  |  |  |
| GDP Spent on Social Pr    | pent on Social Programs 7.03 9 |                       |                        |  |  |  |  |
| Enrollment Secondary      | School                         |                       |                        |  |  |  |  |
| by gender                 |                                | male 52.9%            | 6 female <b>46.0</b> % |  |  |  |  |
| by race                   |                                | non-minority<br>57.99 | 35.0 %                 |  |  |  |  |
| Political Rights          | 0                              | <sup>20</sup> 23      | 30 40                  |  |  |  |  |
| Civil Rights              | 0 10                           |                       | 40 50                  |  |  |  |  |
| Civil Society Participati | ion                            | 2.35                  | 4 5                    |  |  |  |  |

#### COMMENTS

Severe inequalities by race and ethnicity remain stark in the outputs and the inputs. Percent of GDP spent on social programs remains among the region's lowest. Indigenous and Afro-Guatemalans lag far behind in enrollment in secondary school, income per capita, access to housing and to formal jobs.

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| by gender                            |         |           | £9.1 <sub>%</sub> | female 4   | <b>1.0</b> %      |
| by race                              | by race |           | 2.5%              | 27.5 %     |                   |
| Personal Empowerment                 | 1       | 2         | 3.89              | 4          | 5                 |
| Government Responsiveness (Efficacy) |         | 1         | 2.85              | 3          | 4                 |
| Access to Adequate Housing           |         |           |                   |            |                   |
| by gender                            |         |           | 13.5%             | female 4   | ·5.5 <sub>%</sub> |
| by race                              |         | non-minor | 3.3%              | minority 3 | 0.4%              |
|                                      |         |           |                   |            |                   |

## Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)

Percent Living on More than \$4 per day

| by gender | <sup>male</sup> <b>42.5</b> % | female <b>49.7</b> % |
|-----------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| by race   | non-minority<br>51.6%         | 21.3 %               |

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| INPUTS                       |                      |        |            |          |       |  |
|------------------------------|----------------------|--------|------------|----------|-------|--|
| GDP Growth 2001–2010         | GDP Growth 2001–2010 |        |            | 1.6      | 6 %   |  |
| GDP Spent on Social Programs |                      |        | 12.52 %    |          |       |  |
| Enrollment Secondary School  |                      |        |            |          |       |  |
| by gender                    |                      | male   | 73.7%      | female   | 76.3% |  |
| by race                      |                      | non-mi | 76.4 %     | minority | 69.9% |  |
| Political Rights             | 0                    | 10     | 2029       | 30       | 40    |  |
| Civil Rights                 | 0 10                 | ) 2    | o 30<br>3- | 1 40     | 50    |  |
| Civil Society Participation  | 1.92                 | 2      | 3          | 4        | 5     |  |

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The recession in the U.S. has contributed to Mexico's low rate of GDP growth. Still, poverty levels remain relatively low—though ethnic/race—based differences remain. Greatest challenge: moving more people to formal employment. Good news: high levels of GDP spent on social programs and access to education.

| OUTPUTS                                    |   |           |                  |            |        |  |  |  |
|--|---|-----------|------------------|------------|--------|--|--|--|
| Percent Living on More than \$4 per day    |   |           |                  |            |        |  |  |  |
| by gender                                  |   | male 7    | 2.7%             | female     | 11.6 % |  |  |  |
| by race                                    |   | non-minor | 15.4%            | minority ( | 1.3%   |  |  |  |
| Personal Empowerment                       | 1 | 2         | <del>3</del> .89 | 4          | 5      |  |  |  |
| Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)       |   |           | 2                | 3.42       | 4      |  |  |  |
| Access to Adequate Housing                 |   |           |                  |            |        |  |  |  |
| by gender                                  |   | male q    | 0.0%             | female q   | 0.4%   |  |  |  |
| by race                                    |   | non-minor | Ž.0%             | minority   | 34.1%  |  |  |  |
| Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65) |   |           |                  |            |        |  |  |  |
| by gender                                  |   | male      | 41.1%            | female     | 3.6%   |  |  |  |
| by race                                    |   | non-minor | 4.3%             | minority 2 | 531%   |  |  |  |



OVERALL SCORE

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| INPUTS                       |          |                             |                   |  |  |  |
|------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|
| GDP Growth 2001-2010         |          |                             | 2.94%             |  |  |  |
| GDP Spent on Social Programs |          | 12.30 %                     |                   |  |  |  |
| Enrollment Secondary School  |          |                             |                   |  |  |  |
| by gender                    |          | male 47.6                   | % female 59.6%    |  |  |  |
| by race                      |          | non-minority<br>54.2        | minority<br>44.9% |  |  |  |
| Political Rights             | 0        | <sup>10</sup> 20 <b>2</b> ( | 30 40             |  |  |  |
| Civil Rights                 | 0 1      | -                           | <b>34</b> 40 50   |  |  |  |
| Civil Society Participation  | <b>n</b> | 2.03                        | 4 5               |  |  |  |

#### COMMENTS

Levels of poverty remain some of the highest in the region, and the country's input scores indicate why. GDP growth remains low, as do the country's levels of school enrollment and political and civil rights.

| OUTPUTS                                    |   |           |               |            |       |  |  |
|--|---|-----------|---------------|------------|-------|--|--|
| Percent Living on More than \$4 per day    |   |           |               |            |       |  |  |
| by gender                                  |   | male 3    | 6.6%          | female 3   | 1.5 % |  |  |
| by race                                    |   | non-minor | 7.5%          | minority 2 | -7.1% |  |  |
| Personal Empowerment                       | 1 | 2         | 3             | 4.13       | 5     |  |  |
| Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)       |   |           | 2             | 3.30       | 4     |  |  |
| Access to Adequate Housing                 |   |           |               |            |       |  |  |
| by gender                                  |   | male 2    | <i>3</i> .9 % | female 2   | 7.0%  |  |  |
| by race                                    |   | non-minor | -6.4 %        | minority   | 3.2%  |  |  |
| Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65) |   |           |               |            |       |  |  |

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| INPUTS                      |               |                              |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| GDP Growth 2001-2010        |               | 4.10 %                       |  |  |  |  |
| GDP Spent on Social Pro     | rograms 8.87% |                              |  |  |  |  |
| Enrollment Secondary School |               |                              |  |  |  |  |
| by gender                   |               | 74.6 % female 73.4 %         |  |  |  |  |
| by race                     |               | non-minority minority 57.8 % |  |  |  |  |
| Political Rights            | 0             | 10 20 30 40 40               |  |  |  |  |
| Civil Rights                | 0 1           | 20 30 40 50 50 36 A          |  |  |  |  |
| Civil Society Participation | on 1          | 2.40 3 4 5                   |  |  |  |  |

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High general rates of enrollment in secondary school are undermined by the disparity by ethnicity. This disparity holds across poverty levels, access to adequate housing and access to a formal job. Can Paraguay convert its level of economic growth, civil society participation and sense of empowerment into more expansive, effective social programs?

| OUTPUTS                                 |           |           |                        |               |      |  |  |
|---|-----------|-----------|------------------------|---------------|------|--|--|
| Percent Living on More than \$4 per day |           |           |                        |               |      |  |  |
| by gender                               |           | male 6    | 2.8%                   | female 62.6 % |      |  |  |
| by race                                 |           |           | non-minority<br>75.6 % |               | 4.3% |  |  |
| Personal Empowerment                    | 1         | 2         | 3.18                   | 4             | 5    |  |  |
| Government Responsiveness (Eff          | icacy)    | 1         | <u>2.92</u>            | 3             | 4    |  |  |
| Access to Adequate Housing              |           |           |                        |               |      |  |  |
| by gender                               |           | male (    | 69%                    | female 6      | 3.2% |  |  |
| by race                                 |           | non-minor | <b>8</b> .8%           | 51.5 %        |      |  |  |
| Percent Access to a Formal Job (ag      | ge 25-65) |           |                        |               |      |  |  |
| by gender                               |           | male 3    | 7.8%                   | female        | 0.6% |  |  |
| by race                                 |           | non-minor | 49%                    | minority 2    | 2.3% |  |  |







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| INPUTS                      |                              |                            |     |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|-----|--|--|--|
| GDP Growth 2001-2010        | 5.72 %                       | 6                          |     |  |  |  |
| GDP Spent on Social Progr   | nt on Social Programs 7.82 % |                            |     |  |  |  |
| Enrollment Secondary School |                              |                            |     |  |  |  |
| by gender                   |                              | 81.5 % female 80.9         | 3 % |  |  |  |
| by race                     |                              | non-minority minority 83.0 | ) % |  |  |  |
| Political Rights            | 0                            | 10 20 30 40                |     |  |  |  |
| Civil Rights                | 0                            | 10 20 30 40 41 50          | )   |  |  |  |
| Civil Society Participation | 1                            | 2.24   5                   |     |  |  |  |

#### COMMENTS

The contrast between the country's rate of economic growth and investment in social programs could not be starker. Despite this, Peru remains strong in all the inputs-educational access, political and civil rights and civil society participation, as well as in income per capita-increasing the chance that the other indicators will improve over time.

| OUTPUTS                                 |  |
|---|--|
| Percent Living on More than \$4 per day |  |

by gender

| by race                        |        | Ì         | 11.8 % | 5          | <b>5.4</b> %     |
|--------------------------------|--------|-----------|--------|------------|------------------|
| Personal Empowerment           | 1      | 2         | 3.73   | 4          | 5                |
| Government Responsiveness (Eff | icacy) | 1         | 2      | 3.02       | 4                |
| Access to Adequate Housing     |        |           |        |            |                  |
| by gender                      |        | male      | 58.1%  | female 5   | 3.8 <sub>%</sub> |
| by race                        |        | non-minor | * 4.4° | minority 5 | 0.4%             |

## Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65)

| by gender | 62.5 %                | 48.9 % |
|-----------|-----------------------|--------|
| by race   | non-minority<br>61.2% | 49.1%  |

PERU





| INPUTS                      |                             |     |                 |                |          |                         |  |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----|-----------------|----------------|----------|-------------------------|--|
| GDP Growth 2001-2010        |                             |     | 1.58 %          |                |          |                         |  |
| GDP Spent on Social Program | DP Spent on Social Programs |     |                 | 16.20 %        |          |                         |  |
| Enrollment Secondary School |                             |     |                 |                |          |                         |  |
| by gender                   |                             | ma  | le<br>-         | <del>-</del> % | female   | %                       |  |
| by race                     |                             | nor | n-minority<br>- | <b>—</b> %     | minority | — %                     |  |
| Political Rights            | 0                           | 10  | 20              |                | ³º 38    | 40                      |  |
| Civil Rights                | 0 1                         | 0   | 20              | 30             | 40       | <sup>50</sup> <b>56</b> |  |
| Civil Society Participation | 1.46                        | 2   | 3               |                | 4        | 5                       |  |

#### COMMENTS

GDP growth in a developed economy such as the U.S. will not reach the rates of its developing neighbors, though the economic recession certainly hurt levels of social inclusion overall. And while political and civil rights remain high, the extremely low popular sense of government responsiveness is noteworthy.

| OUTPUTS                                    |   |           |                  |          |              |  |  |
|--|---|-----------|------------------|----------|--------------|--|--|
| Percent Living on More than \$4 per day    |   |           |                  |          |              |  |  |
| by gender                                  |   | male      | %                | female   | — %          |  |  |
| by race                                    |   |           | non-minority — % |          | %            |  |  |
| Personal Empowerment                       | 1 | 2         | 3                | 4        | <b>5</b> .00 |  |  |
| Government Responsiveness (Efficacy)       |   | 1         | 2.86             | 3        | 4            |  |  |
| Access to Adequate Housing                 |   |           |                  |          |              |  |  |
| by gender                                  |   | male      | %                | female   | %            |  |  |
| by race                                    |   | non-minor | — %              | minority | %            |  |  |
| Percent Access to a Formal Job (age 25-65) |   |           |                  |          |              |  |  |
| by gender                                  |   | male      | %                | female   | %            |  |  |
| by race                                    |   | non-minor | — %              | minority | — %          |  |  |



Name of Country

Usuguay

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by gender

by race

| INPUTS                       |        |     |                   |           |       |  |
|------------------------------|--------|-----|-------------------|-----------|-------|--|
| GDP Growth 2001-2010         |        |     | 3.46 %            |           |       |  |
| GDP Spent on Social Programs |        |     | 21.65 %           |           |       |  |
| Enrollment Secondary School  |        |     |                   |           |       |  |
| by gender                    |        | ma  | <sup>®</sup> 18.2 | % female  | 85.8% |  |
| by race                      |        | nor | 82.5              | % minorit | 69.3% |  |
| Political Rights             | 0      | 10  | 20                | 30 30     | 1 40  |  |
| Civil Rights                 | 0      | 10  | 20 30             | 40        | 50 58 |  |
| Civil Society Participation  | 1 1.14 | . 2 | 3                 | 4         | 5     |  |

#### COMMENTS

The country's deep commitment to social justice is reflected in its social spending, but the sustainability of its efforts lies in its rates of economic growth, poverty levels and high levels of political and civil rights. The one outlier? As in Chile, civil society participation—a sign of contentment or disengagement?

| OUTPUTS                           |            |           |        |                                 |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------|--------|---------------------------------|
| Percent Living on More than \$4   | per day    |           |        |                                 |
| by gender                         |            |           | 8.9%   | <sup>female</sup> <b>89.0</b> % |
| by race                           |            | non-minor | 9.5%   | 78.9%                           |
| Personal Empowerment              | 1          | 2         | 3      | 4.30 5                          |
| Government Responsiveness (Ef     | fficacy)   | 1         | 2      | ³ \$\dag{4.58}                  |
| Access to Adequate Housing        |            |           |        |                                 |
| by gender                         |            | male q    | 15.8 % | female <b>96.7</b> %            |
| by race                           |            | non-minor | 6.5%   | minority 92.1%                  |
| Percent Access to a Formal Job (a | age 25-65) |           |        |                                 |
|                                   |            | male      |        | female                          |

URUGURY 7-1.2

88.1%





#### **HOW THE COUNTRIES RANK**

We scored each of the 11 countries relatively for all 15 indicators (Inputs and Outputs), giving each country a score of 1-11 and then converting the totals into a 0-100 scale. All variables were weighted equally. Below is how each country ranks relative to the others in those totals. To the right below we show how the countries ranked in each of the 15 variables (or, in the case of the U.S., in the 7 variables for which we had data). It is within the individual variables that some real surprises occur: Chile lands at 10 in civil society participation, and Bolivia scores well in the areas in which Chile scored poorly—civil society participation and government responsiveness. The latter should give hope for the future, the former perhaps some concern about the need for political renovation in Chile. (For how we calculated the variables and the rankings visit www.americasquarterly.org/social-inclusion-index.)

## RELATIVE RANKING ON 15 VARIABLES

That Chile and Uruguay rank the highest in social inclusion is no surprise. The ranking, however, obscures the differences among the countries. Despite coming in third, Brazil's aggregate score of 51.4 is far below Chile's (71.9) and Uruguay's (71.2). Ecuador. in fourth place, was boosted by above-average scores in GDP growth and secondary-school enrollment, though, as mentioned earlier, the latter numbers have been questioned. Mexico's appearance in the middle of the pack is consistent with its performance across the variables, with one important exceptionliving on more than \$4 per day, which is high even taking into account gender and race.

# Chile

**Uruguay** 

3 **Brazil** 

**Ecuador** Peru

5 Colombia

6 **Bolivia Mexico** 

**Paraguay** 

Nicaragua

9 Guatemala

RANKING BY OTHER VARIABLES Variable by variable, this is how the countries stacked up. One methodological note: for the indicators secondary-school enrollment, daily income, access to adequate housing and access to a formal job, to take into account countrywide rates and differences by gender and race/ethnicity for each category, we calculated the differences between male/female and non-minority/minority and then subtracted those from the overall national percent. The idea was to score countries by their overall performance with penalties for the differences in access by gender and race/ethnicity. The differences were not weighted by population size, based on the assumption that differences in the distribution of resources matter regardless of the size of the population.

# GDP GROWTH 01-2010, CONSTANT

| Include              | es U.S. |
|----------------------|---------|
| PERU                 | 1       |
| ECUADOR              | 2       |
| COLOMBIA<br>PARAGUAY | 3       |
| BOLIVIA              | 4       |
| CHILE                | 5       |
| BRAZIL               | 6       |
| URUGUAY              | 7       |
| GUATEMALA            | 8       |
| NICARAGUA            | 9       |
| MEXICO               | 10      |
| UNITED STATES        | 11      |

# % GDP SPENT ON SOCIAL PROGRAMS

| Include       | s U.S. |
|---------------|--------|
| BRAZIL        | 1      |
| URUGUAY       | 2      |
| BOLIVIA       | 3      |
| UNITED STATES | 4      |
| CHILE         | 5      |
| COLOMBIA      | 6      |
| MEXICO        | 7      |
| NICARAGUA     | 8      |
| PARAGUAY      | 9      |
| PERU          | 10     |
| GUATEMALA     | 11     |
| ECUADOR       | 12     |

| Does not include U.S. |    |
|-----------------------|----|
| CHILE                 | 1  |
| ECUADOR               | 2  |
| PERU                  | 3  |
| URUGUAY               | 4  |
| BOLIVIA               | 5  |
| COLOMBIA              | 6  |
| PARAGUAY              | 7  |
| MEXICO                | 8  |
| BRAZIL                | 9  |
| GUATEMALA             | 10 |
| NICARAGUA             | 11 |

| Does not inclu | de U.S. |
|----------------|---------|
| CHILE          | 1       |
| PERU           | 2       |
| ECUADOR        | 3       |
| COLOMBIA       | 4       |
| BRAZIL         | 5       |
| URUGUAY        | 6       |
| MEXICO         | 7       |
| BOLIVIA        | 8       |
| PARAGUAY       | 9       |
| NICARAGUA      | 10      |
| GUATEMALA      | 11      |

# POLITICAL RIGHTS

| Include             |     |
|---------------------|-----|
| CHILE<br>URUGUAY    | 1   |
| UNITED STATES       | 2   |
| BRAZIL              | 3   |
| PERU                | 4   |
| MEXICO              | 5   |
| ECUADOR<br>PARAGUAY | - 6 |
| BOLIVIA<br>COLOMBIA | - 7 |
| GUATEMALA           | 8   |
| NICARAGUA           | 9   |

# CIVIL RIGHTS

| Include                            | s U.S. |  |
|------------------------------------|--------|--|
| CHILE<br>URUGUAY                   | 1      |  |
| UNITED STATES                      | 2      |  |
| BRAZIL                             | 3      |  |
| PERU                               | 4      |  |
| BOLIVIA<br>ECUADOR                 | - 5    |  |
| MEXICO                             | 6      |  |
| PARAGUAY                           | 7      |  |
| COLOMBIA<br>GUATEMALA<br>NICARAGUA | 8      |  |

# CIVIL SOCIETY PARTICIPATION

| Include            | s U.S. |
|--------------------|--------|
| BOLIVIA            | 1      |
| PARAGUAY           | 2      |
| GUATEMALA          | 3      |
| PERU               | 4      |
| NICARAGUA          | 5      |
| MEXICO<br>COLOMBIA | 6      |
| ECUADOR            | 7      |
| UNITED STATES      | 8      |
| BRAZIL             | 9      |
| CHILE              | 10     |
| URUGUAY            | 11     |

#### OUTPUTS % LIVING ON MORE

| GENDER (MALE/F |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Does not in    | clude U.S. |
| URUGUAY        | 1          |
| CHILE          | 2          |
| MEXICO         | 3          |
| BRAZIL         | 4          |
| ECUADOR        | 5          |
| PERU           | 6          |
| PARAGUAY       | 7          |
| COLOMBIA       | 8          |
| BOLIVIA        | 9          |
| GUATEMALA      | 10         |
| NICARAGUA      | 11         |

| Does not inclu |    |
|----------------|----|
| CHILE          | 1  |
| URUGUAY        | 2  |
| BRAZIL         | 3  |
| MEXICO         | 4  |
| PERU           | 5  |
| COLOMBIA       | 6  |
| ECUADOR        | 7  |
| BOLIVIA        | 8  |
| PARAGUAY       | 9  |
| NICARAGUA      | 10 |
| GUATEMALA      | 11 |

| Includ              | es U.S |
|---------------------|--------|
| UNITED STATES       | 1      |
| URUGUAY             | 2      |
| NICARAGUA           | 3      |
| CHILE               | 4      |
| ECUADOR             | 5      |
| BOLIVIA             | 6      |
| GUATEMALA<br>MEXICO | 7      |
| COLOMBIA            | 8      |
| PERU                | 9      |
| BRAZIL              | 10     |
| PARAGUAY            | 11     |

# RESPONSIVENESS (EFFICACY)

| URUGUAY       | es U.S. |  |
|---------------|---------|--|
| UKUGUAT       | 1       |  |
| BOLIVIA       | 2       |  |
| CHILE         | 3       |  |
| COLOMBIA      | 4       |  |
| MEXICO        | 5       |  |
| ECUADOR       | 6       |  |
| NICARAGUA     | 7       |  |
| BRAZIL        | 8       |  |
| PERU          | 9       |  |
| PARAGUAY      | 10      |  |
| UNITED STATES | 11      |  |
| GUATEMALA     | 12      |  |

| Does not include U.S. |    |
|-----------------------|----|
| CHILE                 | 1  |
| URUGUAY               | 2  |
| BRAZIL                | 3  |
| MEXICO                | 4  |
| ECUADOR               | 5  |
| COLOMBIA              | 6  |
| PARAGUAY              | 7  |
| BOLIVIA               | 8  |
| PERU                  | 9  |
| GUATEMALA             | 10 |
| NICARAGUA             | 11 |

| MINORITY/MINORITY)    |  |  |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| Does not include U.S. |  |  |
| 1                     |  |  |
| 2                     |  |  |
| 3                     |  |  |
| 4                     |  |  |
| 5                     |  |  |
| 6                     |  |  |
| 7                     |  |  |
| 8                     |  |  |
| 9                     |  |  |
| 10                    |  |  |
| 11                    |  |  |
|                       |  |  |

| Does not include U.S. |    |
|-----------------------|----|
| URUGUAY               | 1  |
| CHILE                 | 2  |
| BRAZIL                | 3  |
| COLOMBIA              | 4  |
| PERU                  | 5  |
| MEXICO                | 6  |
| ECUADOR               | 7  |
| GUATEMALA             | 8  |
| BOLIVIA               | 9  |
| PARAGUAY              | 10 |
| NICARAGUA             | 11 |

| Does not include U.S. |    |  |
|-----------------------|----|--|
| URUGUAY               | 1  |  |
| CHILE                 | 2  |  |
| BRAZIL                | 3  |  |
| COLOMBIA              | 4  |  |
| PERU                  | 5  |  |
| ECUADOR               | 6  |  |
| BOLIVIA               | 7  |  |
| MEXICO<br>NICARAGUA   | 8  |  |
| GUATEMALA             | 9  |  |
| PARAGIJAY             | 10 |  |