

Mexico at a glance

POVERTY and SOCIAL

	Mexico	Latin America & Carib.	Upper-middle-income
Population mid-1997 (millions)	94.3	494	574
GNP per capita 1997 (Atlas method, US\$)	3,700	3,940	4,540
GNP 1997 (Atlas method, US\$ billions)	348.6	1,945	2,608

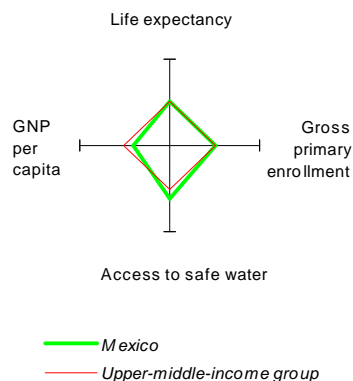
Average annual growth, 1991-97

Population (%)	1.8	1.7	1.5
Labor force (%)	3.1	2.4	2.1

Most recent estimate (latest year available since 1991)

Poverty (% of population below national poverty line)	..	..	..
Urban population (% of total population)	74	74	74
Life expectancy at birth (years)	72	70	70
Infant mortality (per 1,000 live births)	31	32	30
Child malnutrition (% of children under 5)	14	8	..
Access to safe water (% of population)	95	75	78
Illiteracy (% of population age 15+)	10	13	12
Gross primary enrollment (% of school-age population)	115	113	111
Male	116	..	..
Female	113	..	..

Development diamond*

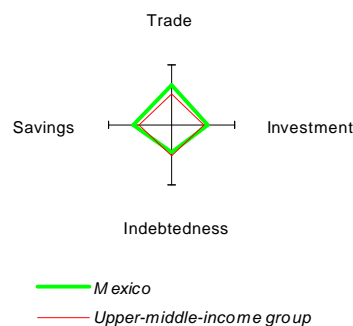


KEY ECONOMIC RATIOS and LONG-TERM TRENDS

	1976	1986	1996	1997
GDP (US\$ billions)	73.5	129.2	329.4	403.0
Gross domestic investment/GDP	21.0	18.1	23.3	26.4
Exports of goods and services/GDP	7.1	17.4	32.5	30.2
Gross domestic savings/GDP	18.8	22.0	25.4	26.4
Gross national savings/GDP	..	17.4	22.5	24.5
Current account balance/GDP	..	-1.1	-0.7	-1.8
Interest payments/GDP	1.8	5.9	2.5	2.1
Total debt/GDP	32.6	78.1	47.9	37.1
Total debt service/exports	..	43.7	35.4	32.4
Present value of debt/GNP	..	..	..	37.1
Present value of debt/exports	..	..	..	110.3

	1976-86	1987-97	1996	1997
(average annual growth)				
GDP	3.3	2.9	5.2	7.0
GNP per capita	0.9	0.7	3.8	6.3
Exports of goods and services	10.3	11.1	18.2	13.0

Economic ratios*

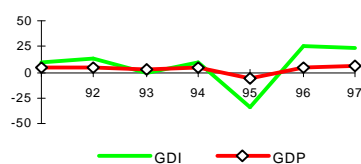


STRUCTURE of the ECONOMY

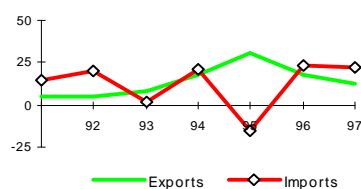
	1976	1986	1996	1997
(% of GDP)				
Agriculture	10.2	9.0	5.6	5.3
Industry	29.8	33.9	26.1	26.0
Manufacturing	21.6	24.7	19.8	19.9
Services	60.0	57.1	68.3	68.7
Private consumption	71.3	68.8	64.9	65.3
General government consumption	9.9	9.1	9.7	8.4
Imports of goods and services	9.2	13.5	30.3	30.2

	1976-86	1987-97	1996	1997
(average annual growth)				
Agriculture	2.7	1.6	3.8	1.0
Industry	3.6	3.3	10.2	9.3
Manufacturing	3.2	3.7	10.9	9.8
Services	3.2	2.9	3.5	6.6
Private consumption	3.0	2.7	2.2	6.3
General government consumption	5.8	2.0	-0.7	1.8
Gross domestic investment	-2.5	4.8	25.7	22.8
Imports of goods and services	0.1	13.3	22.8	22.0
Gross national product	3.4	2.5	5.6	8.2

Growth of investment and GDP (%)



Growth of exports and imports (%)

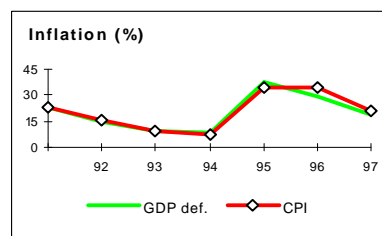


1999 World Development Indicators CD-ROM, World Bank

Note: Figures in *italics* are for years other than those specified. The diamonds show four key indicators in the country (in bold) compared with its income-group average. If data are missing, the diamond will be incomplete.

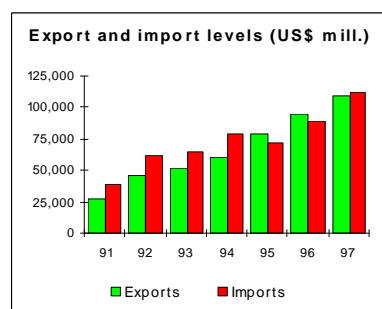
PRICES and GOVERNMENT FINANCE

	1976	1986	1996	1997
Domestic prices				
(% change)				
Consumer prices	15.8	86.2	34.4	20.6
Implicit GDP deflator	21.3	79.2	29.6	19.0
Government finance				
(% of GDP)				
Current revenue	11.6	14.8	15.4	..
Current budget balance	0.7	-9.9	1.7	..
Overall surplus/deficit	-4.4	-13.1	-0.2	..



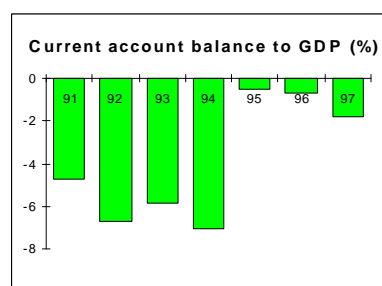
TRADE

	1976	1986	1996	1997
(US\$ millions)				
Total exports (fob)	3,468	19,074	95,402	109,890
Food	1,134	2,938	6,127	6,773
Agricultural raw materials	326	237	1,111	1,102
Fuels	554	6,194	11,437	11,031
Ores and metals	442	979	1,942	2,077
Manufactures	1,010	8,723	74,702	88,824
Total imports (cif)	6,033	14,749	89,281	111,847
Food	451	1,336	6,805	6,784
Agricultural raw materials	211	585	1,734	2,107
Fuels	343	480	1,788	2,967
Ores and metals	225	484	2,085	2,796
Manufactures	4,801	11,788	74,643	93,293



BALANCE of PAYMENTS

	1976	1986	1996	1997
(US\$ millions)				
Exports of goods and services	..	26,394	106,898	121,830
Imports of goods and services	..	21,978	100,283	122,424
Resource balance	..	4,416	6,615	-595
Net income	..	-7,367	-13,475	-12,106
Net current transfers	..	1,574	4,531	5,247
Current account balance	..	-1,377	-2,329	-7,453
Financing items (net)	..	1,260	6,191	21,449
Changes in net reserves	..	117	-3,862	-13,997
Memo:				
Reserves including gold (US\$ millions)	1,404	6,674	19,527	28,852
Conversion rate (DEC, local/US\$)	2.00E-02	0.6	7.6	7.9



EXTERNAL DEBT and RESOURCE FLOWS

	1976	1986	1996	1997
(US\$ millions)				
Total debt outstanding and disbursed	23,960	100,878	157,848	149,690
IBRD	1,223	5,566	12,568	11,356
IDA	0	0	0	0
Total debt service	3,344	12,939	40,793	42,453
IBRD	132	819	2,372	2,102
IDA	0	0	0	0
Composition of net resource flows				
Official grants	6	77	30	29
Official creditors	300	1,458	-7,681	-4,563
Private creditors	4,203	-911	12,123	6,003
Foreign direct investment	628	1,523	9,185	12,477
Portfolio equity	0	0	3,922	2,052
World Bank program				
Commitments	410	1,272	187	485
Disbursements	142	1,016	1,051	995
Principal repayments	42	424	1,409	1,311
Net flows	99	592	-359	-316
Interest payments	89	395	962	791
Net transfers	10	197	-1,321	-1,107

