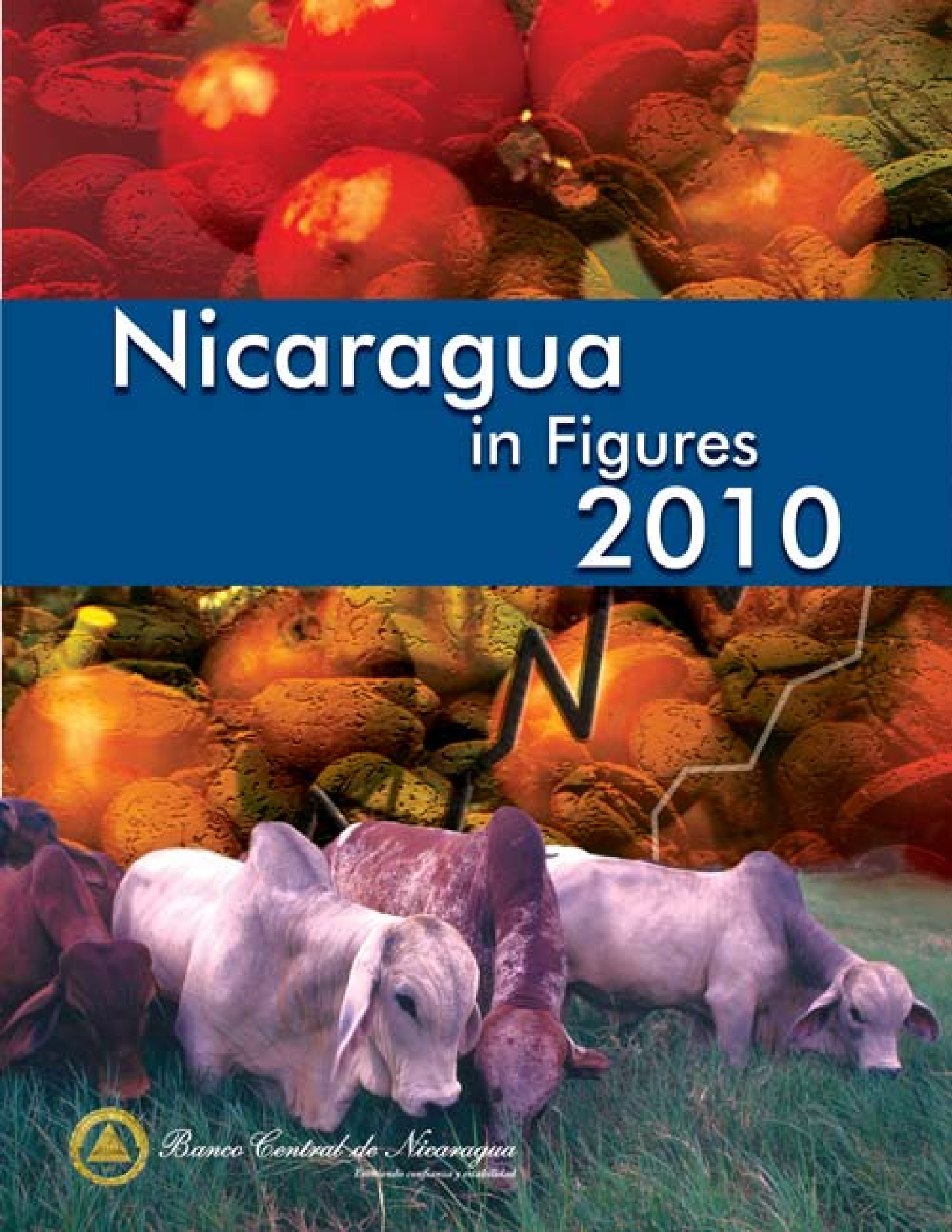




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TOP - LINE INDICATORS

ABOUT NICARAGUA

Total land area (sq km)	130,373.4
Mainland ^{1/}	120,339.2
Insular territory	517.4
Lakes and lagoons ^{1/}	10,407.6
Lake Cocibolca	8,138.1
Lake Xolotlan	1,052.9
Hydrographic basins	21
Lagoons	47
Mountains (higher than 1,000 mts)	61
Volcanoes	28
Active	7
Not active	21
Maximum temperature (°C)	34.2 - 41.6
Minimum temperature (°C)	5.5 - 17.0
Relative humidity (annual)	63% - 88%

1/ : Islands included.

Source : INETER.

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Economic indicators	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Gross domestic product (US\$ millions)	3,938.1	4,102.4	4,026.0	4,101.5	4,464.7	4,872.0	5,230.3	5,662.0	6,372.3	6,213.8	6,551.5
GDP per capita (US\$)	772.5	792.9	767.6	772.0	829.8	893.9	947.1	1,011.9	1,124.1	1,082.1	1,126.5
Real GDP growth (%)	4.1	3.0	0.8	2.5	5.3	4.3	4.2	3.6	2.8	(1.5)	4.5
Inflation (%)	9.9	4.8	3.9	6.5	9.3	9.6	9.4	16.9	13.8	0.9	9.2
Manufacturing sector output (US\$ millions)	1,799.8	1,860.7	1,881.2	1,926.5	2,182.8	2,404.3	2,762.7	3,081.2	3,602.0	3,364.4	3,204.2
Agricultural sector output (US\$ millions) ^{1/}	1,098.6	1,038.3	1,003.7	1,008.1	1,123.4	1,259.8	1,358.3	1,493.6	1,751.5	1,696.9	1,889.9
Exports of goods (US\$ millions)	880.6	895.3	914.4	1,056.0	1,369.0	1,654.1	1,932.1	2,186.2	2,530.1	2,389.6	3,156.6
Sea cargo ('000 tons)	2,215.5	2,263.9	2,092.2	2,143.2	2,329.9	2,507.1	2,678.0	2,937.9	2,786.9	2,831.5	3,009.0
Money supply (M1A) (US\$ millions)	n.a	342.9	330.5	379.4	453.4	542.3	605.7	755.4	883.1	1,046.1	1,287.0
Gross international reserves (US\$ millions)	496.7	382.8	454.2	504.2	670.4	729.9	924.2	1,103.3	1,140.8	1,573.1	1,799.0
Domestic public debt (US\$ millions) ^{2/}	943.8	1,400.6	1,446.7	1,493.9	1,426.2	1,437.8	1,336.0	1,267.8	1,254.0	1,318.3	1,264.0
External public debt (US\$ millions)	6,659.9	6,374.5	6,362.7	6,595.8	5,390.6	5,347.5	4,526.7	3,384.6	3,511.5	3,660.9	3,876.4

1/ : Livestock, forestry and fishing included.

2/ : Includes Government and Central Bank debt with private sector.

Source : BCN.

SOCIAL INDICATORS

Social indicators	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total population (thousands) ^{1/}	5,098.0	5,173.9	5,244.7	5,312.7	5,380.5	5,450.3	5,522.6	5,595.5	5,668.9	5,742.3	5,815.5
Population growth rate	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2
Government spending on education (% GDP)	4.0	3.6	4.0	4.7	4.4	4.7	4.8	5.1	5.3	5.9	5.4
Government spending on education (US\$ per student)	118.2	108.9	109.5	128.1	126.3	145.7	155.9	175.8	209.4	228.9	220.1
Net enrollment rate in primary education (%)	78.5	80.9	86.2	86.0	87.0	87.3	86.4	86.5	87.2	87.1	87.3
Government spending on health (% GDP)	3.1	2.8	3.1	3.5	3.2	3.5	3.4	3.7	3.7	4.1	3.7
Government spending on health (US\$ per inhabitant)	23.8	22.3	23.5	27.0	26.6	30.9	32.6	37.8	41.7	43.9	42.2
Hospital beds x 10,000 people	10.0	9.9	9.4	9.2	8.9	9.2	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8
Medical consultations (thousands)	7,148.9	7,099.0	7,205.9	7,248.5	6,945.3	7,390.4	6,630.7	8,906.1	10,060.5	11,101.2	11,694.6

1/ : Population based on INIDE projections, 2007.

Source: INIDE, MHCP, MINSA, MINED.

COMPARISON WITH SELECTED COUNTRIES

SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS, 2010

Economic Indicators	Nicaragua	Costa Rica	El Salvador	Guatemala	Honduras	Dominican Republic
Real GDP growth (%)	4.5	4.2	1.4	2.6	(1.9)	7.8
GDP Per capita (US\$)	1,126.5	7,842.5	3,431.1	2,867.3	1,817.8	6,033.0
Unemployment rate (%)	7.8	7.3	7.0	4.0	6.4	4.5
Inflation rate (%)	9.2	5.8	2.1	5.4	6.5	6.2
Current account (as % GDP)	(14.7)	(3.6)	(2.2)	(2.7)	(3.1)	(8.6)
Remittances (millions of US\$)	822.8	271.4	3,431.0	4,111.3	2,475.7	2,994.2
Net international reserves/imports (number of times)	3.8	4.1	4.0	5.2	4.6	2.6
External public debt (as % GDP)	59.2	11.8	31.5	n.a	17.0	21.6
Operational balance of Central Government including grants (as % GDP)	(1.0)	(5.5)	(2.7)	(3.3)	(4.0)	(2.2)

Note : Honduras data correspond to 2009. Unemployment, inflation and NIR / imports correspond to 2010.

Source : CEPAL, Central Banks of region and SECMCA.

SELECTED SOCIAL INDICATORS, quinquennium 2005 - 2010

Social indicators	Nicaragua	Costa Rica	El Salvador	Guatemala	Honduras	Dominican Republic
Population ^{1/}	5,815.5	4,639.0	6,192.0	14,376.0	7,621.0	9,899.0
Demographic annual growth rate (average annual rate per hundred inhabitants)	1.2	1.4	0.4	2.5	2.0	1.4
Urban population (as % total population) ^{2/}	58.3	66.0	60.3	57.2	50.5	68.6
Birth rate (gross rate per thousand inhabitants)	24.9	16.7	20.4	33.3	27.7	23.0
Fertility rate (per female)	2.8	2.0	2.4	4.2	3.3	2.7
Life expectancy at birth (years) ^{3/}	74.5	79.4	72.1	71.4	73.1	73.2
Death rate (gross rate per thousand inhabitants)	4.8	4.1	6.8	5.7	5.1	6.0

1/ : Thousands, as of mid 2010.

2/ : Data corresponding to projections 2010.

3/ : Corresponds to the five year 2010-2015.

Source : INIDE and CEPAL, Anuario Estadístico de América Latina y el Caribe, 2010.

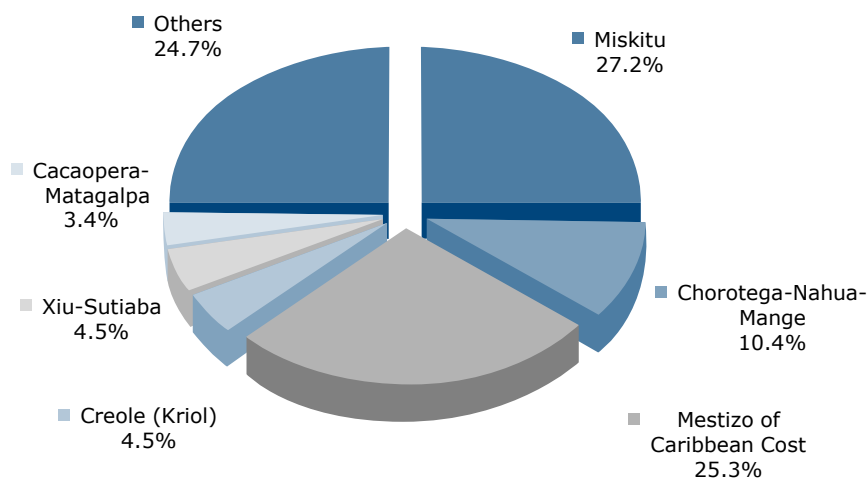
POPULATION

POPULATION BY AGE GROUP

Ages	Total	Males	Females
Total	5,815,524	2,878,523	2,937,001
1 - 4	682,402	348,404	333,998
5 - 9	656,267	334,828	321,439
10 - 14	670,445	341,218	329,227
15 - 19	664,839	333,847	330,992
20 - 24	581,634	288,739	292,895
25 - 29	521,800	256,126	265,674
30 - 34	424,441	203,014	221,427
35 - 39	347,590	166,869	180,721
40 - 44	286,630	139,232	147,398
45 - 49	244,228	118,070	126,158
50 - 54	212,233	101,114	111,119
55 - 59	166,413	79,774	86,639
60 - 64	97,029	46,669	50,360
65 - 69	90,805	43,728	47,077
70 - 74	69,950	33,413	36,537
75 - 79	49,659	22,994	26,665
80 - 84	49,159	20,484	28,675

Source: Population estimated and projected according to INIDE, 2007.

POPULATION BELONGING TO ETHNIC COMMUNITIES



Source: INIDE, VIII Population and IV Housing National Census, 2005.

POPULATION BY MARITAL STATUS

Marital status	Total	Males	Females
Total (aged 12 & over)	3,621,610	1,757,055	1,864,555
Single	1,447,338	795,939	651,399
Married	911,706	448,661	463,045
Consensual union	889,555	429,413	460,142
Separated	219,150	48,623	170,527
Widowed	130,454	27,428	103,026
Divorced	23,407	6,991	16,416

Source: INIDE, VIII Population and IV Housing National Census, 2005.

DEMOGRAPHIC INDICATORS

Quinquennial	Gross birth rate	Gross death rate	Infant mortality rate	Fertility rate	Life expectancy at birth
	<i>Per 1,000 inhabitants</i>		<i>Per 1,000 live-births</i>	<i>Per female</i>	<i>Years</i>
1990/1995	35.4	6.5	48.0	4.5	66.1
1995/2000	30.1	5.6	33.6	3.6	68.4
2000/2005	26.3	5.0	26.4	3.0	70.8
2005/2010	24.9	4.8	21.5	2.8	72.9
2010/2015	23.2	4.6	18.1	2.5	74.5

Source: Population estimated and projected according to INIDE, 2007.

LABOR FORCE

LABOR FORCE				
Concepts	2007	2008	2009	2010 ^{1/}
Working age population (thousands)	4,254.8	4,332.1	4,408.1	3,940.8
Labor force (thousands)	2,273.4	2,308.3	2,282.7	2,811.8
Employed	2,138.5	2,168.4	2,096.5	2,591.7
Unemployed	134.9	139.9	186.2	220.1
Labor force participation rate (%)	53.4	53.3	51.8	71.4
Unemployment rate (%)	5.9	6.1	8.2	7.8

1/ : Average annual continuous household survey. For methodological reasons it is not comparable with previous years.

Source: INIDE, household survey to measure employment (july each year). Continuous household survey 2010.

OCCUPATIONAL DISTRIBUTION

(thousands)

Occupations	2007	2008	2009
Total	2,138.5	2,168.4	2,096.5
Self-employed	705.6	725.9	747.3
Employer	90.9	88.9	84.5
Employee	1,084.0	1,096.6	1,058.3
Cooperative members	1.3	1.1	2.6
None wage earning employee	256.5	255.7	203.2
Others (no specific employment)	0.1	0.1	0.6

Source: INIDE, household survey to measure employment, in july of each year.

EMPLOYMENT STRUCTURE BY ACTIVITIES*(thousands)*

Activities	2007	2008	2009	2010 ^{1/}
Total	2,138.5	2,168.4	2,096.5	2,591.7
Primary activities	599.8	610.5	600.9	834.2
Agriculture and livestock	568.4	582.3	578.0	814.5
Silviculture	13.1	9.0	7.0	-
Fishing	18.3	19.2	15.8	19.7
Manufacturing activities	412.0	414.9	379.8	413.0
Manufacturing	302.4	297.5	274.6	299.2
Construction	103.7	112.4	99.4	103.0
Mines and quarries	6.0	5.1	5.7	10.9
Tertiary activities	1,126.6	1,142.9	1,115.9	1,344.4
Commerce	492.8	507.6	485.9	638.9
Central Government	78.5	84.3	90.2	-
Transportation & communications	86.4	87.7	86.6	97.7
Financial services	76.3	82.5	82.7	80.8
Electricity, gas & water	10.8	10.6	10.9	13.8
Social and personal services	381.9	370.3	359.6	513.3

1/ : Average annual continuous household survey. For methodological reasons it is not comparable with previous years. Silviculture included on agricultural and Central Government on social services, community and personal.

Source : INIDE, household survey to measure employment (july each year). Continuous household survey 2010.

SELECTED LABOR MARKET INDICATORS

Indicators	2007	2008	2009	2010
Average weekly hours worked	47.3	46.0	48.0	n.a
Average monthly income (C\$)	2,876.0	3,497.2	3,662.2	n.a
Formal sector rate (%)	35.7	36.5	35.1	n.a
Urban employment (%)	57.8	58.0	57.7	60.9

Source: INIDE, household survey to measure employment (july each year). Continuous household survey 2010.

NATIONAL INCOME

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY ACTIVITY

Concepts	GDP real growth										
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	<i>Annual percentage change</i>										
Total	4.1	3.0	0.8	2.5	5.3	4.3	4.2	3.6	2.8	(1.5)	4.5
Net taxes on products	1.6	(5.0)	(1.5)	0.3	3.1	3.5	5.4	5.6	1.5	(5.4)	4.7
Banking imputations	8.6	2.4	6.7	13.5	26.5	2.3	12.2	16.0	5.0	(2.2)	(10.8)
Agriculture	15.2	2.3	(3.1)	1.4	6.2	4.1	2.8	(5.6)	10.8	(5.0)	5.9
Livestock	7.4	3.7	1.7	5.2	5.9	4.5	3.5	8.1	0.3	3.8	10.3
Fishing	9.1	(8.8)	8.8	(0.4)	2.9	9.3	(3.8)	2.9	15.5	12.6	2.1
Silviculture	16.7	16.4	2.1	(6.9)	4.4	4.0	2.2	(4.9)	2.2	(2.0)	(6.0)
Manufacturing	4.3	5.9	2.1	2.4	9.0	5.6	6.4	7.4	0.9	(1.5)	7.0
Construction	(1.0)	2.1	(13.3)	2.7	12.1	7.3	(3.2)	(5.4)	(7.8)	(15.0)	(12.8)
Mining	(15.5)	13.6	5.6	(10.6)	20.0	(10.4)	2.7	(9.6)	(6.2)	(8.9)	39.8
Commerce	1.7	1.6	3.3	1.4	4.6	2.3	4.9	4.8	2.7	(2.5)	3.8
General Government	(3.6)	1.4	(0.2)	1.5	(0.2)	4.8	6.2	3.0	4.9	3.4	2.1
Transport and communications	0.9	3.7	2.7	9.7	4.8	6.7	7.2	7.2	3.8	1.8	3.0
Banks and insurance companies	6.3	1.7	7.5	7.5	23.7	3.5	9.6	14.4	4.4	(3.2)	(7.3)
Energy and water	8.9	8.3	1.4	5.1	4.4	3.6	1.5	2.7	4.0	3.7	4.2
Housing	4.7	4.8	0.4	6.5	0.4	4.3	2.6	3.6	2.7	0.5	1.5
Other services	8.3	8.5	3.9	3.1	4.1	3.4	2.6	2.9	2.6	(1.2)	2.3

Source: BCN.

Continued

Concepts	GDP nominal share										
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
	<i>Percentage share</i>										
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Net taxes on products	10.4	9.6	9.4	9.2	9.0	8.9	9.0	9.2	9.1	8.7	8.8
Banking imputations	(2.0)	(2.0)	(2.1)	(2.4)	(2.9)	(2.8)	(3.0)	(3.4)	(3.4)	(3.4)	(2.9)
Agriculture	10.7	10.7	10.3	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.1	9.2	9.9	9.6	9.7
Livestock	6.8	6.8	6.9	7.0	7.1	7.1	7.1	7.4	7.2	7.6	8.0
Fishing	1.7	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.9	1.9
Silviculture	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0
Manufacturing	17.1	17.6	17.8	17.8	18.4	18.7	19.1	19.8	19.4	19.4	19.9
Construction	4.6	4.5	3.9	3.9	4.2	4.3	4.0	3.6	3.3	2.8	2.4
Mining	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.0	1.2	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.7	1.0
Commerce	17.0	16.8	17.2	17.0	16.9	16.6	16.7	16.9	16.9	16.7	16.6
General Government	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.0	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.3	6.6	6.4
Transport and communications	6.5	6.6	6.7	7.2	7.1	7.3	7.5	7.8	7.8	8.1	8.0
Banks and insurance companies	2.6	2.5	2.7	2.8	3.3	3.3	3.5	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.4
Energy and water	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.3
Housing	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.9	6.5	6.6	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.6	6.4
Other services	7.2	7.6	7.8	7.9	7.8	7.7	7.6	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.4

Source: BCN.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY EXPENDITURE*(percent distribution)*

Concepts	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Private consumption	79.0	79.6	82.9	82.7	81.3	80.9	80.4	82.6	85.7	83.4	84.0
Government consumption	17.2	17.8	17.4	18.3	18.1	18.7	18.4	18.4	20.2	19.2	16.8
Fixed capital formation	28.7	26.8	24.9	24.9	26.6	28.5	29.1	31.0	32.3	27.2	27.4
Changes in inventory	2.3	1.5	1.2	1.0	1.5	1.6	1.7	2.4	0.5	(2.6)	0.1
Net export of goods and services	(27.2)	(25.7)	(26.3)	(26.9)	(27.4)	(29.7)	(29.6)	(34.4)	(38.8)	(27.2)	(28.3)

Source: BCN.

NATIONAL INCOME

Years	Gross national income	Gross national income per capita ^{1/}	Gross Domestic Product
	<i>Millions of dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Millions of dollars</i>
2000	3,736.3	732.9	3,938.1
2001	3,862.1	746.5	4,102.4
2002	3,828.8	730.0	4,026.0
2003	3,903.3	734.7	4,101.5
2004	4,272.6	794.1	4,464.7
2005	4,722.0	866.4	4,872.0
2006	5,016.9	908.4	5,230.3
2007	5,449.7	973.9	5,662.0
2008	6,132.0	1,081.7	6,372.3
2009	5,951.0	1,036.3	6,213.8
2010	6,267.6	1,077.7	6,551.5

1/ : INIDE, projections and estimations 2006.

Source : BCN.

BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

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(millions of dollars)

Concepts	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
1. Current account	(935.7)	(820.3)	(784.1)	(705.5)	(687.4)
Trade balance of goods	(920.9)	(909.8)	(938.6)	(971.0)	(1,088.4)
Exports	880.6	895.3	914.4	1,056.0	1,369.0
Imports	(1,801.5)	(1,805.1)	(1,853.0)	(2,027.0)	(2,457.4)
Balance of services	(129.4)	(140.6)	(129.9)	(119.2)	(123.2)
Receipts	221.3	223.1	225.5	257.6	285.8
Payments	(350.7)	(363.7)	(355.4)	(376.8)	(409.0)
Income balance	(295.6)	(255.6)	(245.9)	(240.7)	(230.8)
Net current transfers	410.2	485.7	530.3	625.4	755.0
Of which: workers' remittances	320.0	335.7	376.5	438.8	518.8
2. Capital and financial account	644.3	516.7	523.2	462.0	554.7
Capital account	308.3	300.0	308.5	265.2	294.2
Financial account	336.0	216.7	214.7	196.8	260.5
Foreign direct investment	266.5	150.2	203.9	201.3	250.0
Other investment	69.5	66.5	10.8	(4.5)	10.5
Of which: Other net capital	195.4	226.5	(328.0)	(100.2)	(403.2)
3. Overall balance	(291.4)	(303.6)	(260.9)	(243.5)	(132.7)
Financing	291.4	303.6	260.9	243.5	132.7
Change in external assets (increase -)	15.7	109.9	(69.1)	(55.1)	(159.8)
Net exceptional financing	275.7	193.7	330.0	298.6	292.5

Source: BCN.

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Concepts	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
1. Current account	(783.6)	(838.4)	(1,223.6)	(1,570.3)	(827.9)	(963.4)
Trade balance of goods	(1,302.0)	(1,472.2)	(1,803.0)	(2,200.9)	(1,539.5)	(1,635.6)
Exports	1,654.1	1,932.1	2,186.2	2,530.1	2,389.6	3,156.6
Imports	(2,956.1)	(3,404.3)	(3,989.2)	(4,731.0)	(3,929.1)	(4,792.2)
Balance of services	(139.7)	(156.1)	(282.9)	(269.0)	(148.1)	(222.2)
Receipts	308.5	345.4	373.6	460.4	496.0	471.5
Payments	(448.2)	(501.5)	(656.5)	(729.4)	(644.1)	(693.7)
Income balance	(199.3)	(213.4)	(212.3)	(240.3)	(258.7)	(278.4)
Net current transfers	857.4	1,003.3	1,074.6	1,139.9	1,118.4	1,172.8
Of which: workers' remittances	615.7	697.5	739.6	818.1	768.4	822.8
2. Capital and financial account	641.9	858.8	1,259.4	1,529.4	1,046.8	1,154.7
Capital account	297.1	359.8	383.5	377.9	394.0	174.8
Financial account	344.8	499.0	875.9	1,151.5	652.8	979.9
Foreign direct investment	241.1	286.8	381.7	626.1	434.2	508.0
Other investment	103.7	212.2	494.2	525.4	218.6	471.9
Of which: Other net capital	(62.6)	(400.6)	(37.1)	138.8	(39.0)	(16.8)
3. Overall balance	(141.7)	20.4	35.8	(40.9)	218.9	191.3
Financing	141.7	(20.4)	(35.8)	40.9	(218.9)	(191.3)
Change in external assets (increase -)	(5.7)	(178.8)	(167.1)	(31.5)	(259.1)	(221.7)
Net exceptional financing	147.4	158.4	131.3	72.4	40.2	30.4

Source: BCN.

INVESTMENT IN NICARAGUA

FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT BY SECTOR

(millions of dollars)

Sectors	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total	266.5	150.2	203.9	201.3	250.0	241.1	286.8	381.7	626.1	434.2	508.0
Mining	4.4	11.6	9.6	3.5	0.0	0.0	7.4	11.3	39.1	12.0	25.3
Fishing	7.9	3.8	0.0	0.6	0.8	0.0	7.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9
Manufacturing	68.0	46.2	60.3	44.6	33.4	86.6	63.1	120.5	121.5	69.8	107.9
Energy	115.0	5.2	7.7	1.2	4.5	24.1	20.0	73.1	214.6	222.4	158.9
Commerce and services	57.0	48.8	29.9	45.4	93.3	84.8	38.7	31.6	46.1	32.0	58.8
Communications	3.1	33.0	96.4	99.4	75.1	39.9	50.1	145.1	196.7	61.6	118.7
Others	11.1	1.6	0.0	6.6	42.9	5.7	100.0	0.1	8.1	36.4	37.5

Source: BCN and MIFIC.

COMPETITIVENESS

BUSINESS FACILITIES, 2010 ^{1/} (rank)

Indicators	Nicaragua	Costa Rica	El Salvador	Guatemala	Honduras	Dominican Republic
Ease of doing business	117	125	86	101	131	91
Starting a business	97	116	129	162	145	137
Dealing with constructions permits	138	131	124	144	73	89
Registering properties	142	52	49	23	89	114
Getting credit	89	65	46	6	32	72
Protecting investors	93	167	120	132	167	59
Paying taxes	158	155	137	116	147	76
Trading across borders	85	69	65	122	110	40
Enforcing contracts	66	130	51	101	175	84
Closing a business	75	114	87	94	120	145

1/ : Clasification among 183 economies. A closer value to 1 means a better climate for doing business.

Source : World Bank, Doing Business 2011.

NICARAGUA: INDICATORS FOR BUSINESS MAKING FACILITIES

Indicators	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Starting a business procedures (number)	10	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Time to start a business (days)	48	39	39	39	39	39	39	39
Cost for starting a business (% income per capita)	161.4	144.9	143.8	131.6	119.1	121.0	111.7	117.9
Cost of property records (% of property value)	n.a	6.6	6.6	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.8	3.9
Investor protection index (0-10) ^{1/}	n.a	n.a	5	5	5	5	5	5
Firing costs (weeks of wages)	n.a	n.a	63.5	63.5	63.5	63.2	63.2	63.2
Cross-border export time (days)	n.a	n.a	38	36	36	29	29	26
Cross-border export cost (US\$ per container)	n.a	n.a	1,020	1,021	1,021	1,300	1,340	1,140
Time for cross-border import (days)	n.a	n.a	38	38	38	29	29	26
Border import cost (US\$ per container)	n.a	n.a	1,020	1,054	1,054	1,420	1,420	1,220
Recovery rate (cents per dollar)	31.5	33.4	34.0	34.5	34.6	34.3	34.3	33.7

1/ : Higher value means better protection.

Source : World Bank, Doing Business 2011.

ENTERPRISES

ENTERPRISES BY INDUSTRY, 2008

(number)

Industries	Large	Medium	Small	Total
Total	818	14,443	106,528	121,789
Manufacturing industry	209	3,775	18,477	22,461
Wholesaling	70	526	696	1,292
Retailing	58	2,764	55,885	58,707
Automobile commerce	29	414	784	1,227
Vehicle repairing services	2	861	2,612	3,475
Hotels	29	389	579	997
Restaurants	29	1,698	10,702	12,429
Business services	60	646	3,602	4,308
Communitary services	70	1,065	5,585	6,720
Social and health services	40	396	1,906	2,342
Education services	122	855	447	1,424
Financial intermediation services	21	211	92	324
Construction	37	304	1,893	2,234
Transport, storage and communications	42	539	3,268	3,849

Source: National Urban Economic Census 2001, updated with administrative records 2008.

MANUFACTURING

MANUFACTURING SECTOR OUTPUT FOR SELECTED INDUSTRIES

(millions of dollars)

Industries	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total	1,799.8	1,860.7	1,881.2	1,926.5	2,182.8	2,404.3	2,762.7	3,081.2	3,602.0	3,364.4	3,204.2
Meat and fish	357.9	352.8	368.7	376.2	429.1	461.2	531.7	587.1	655.1	699.8	666.5
Sugar	131.7	111.5	121.6	119.0	162.7	171.5	164.1	199.7	186.4	196.7	187.3
Dairy products	112.5	124.9	123.2	133.1	139.8	143.4	172.1	210.3	293.2	312.0	297.2
Other food of industrial source	265.2	309.7	314.5	317.5	355.4	395.2	429.6	424.5	594.6	564.9	538.0
Beverages	164.6	169.5	169.9	172.6	188.7	204.4	242.1	271.5	307.3	311.4	296.6
Tobacco	11.4	6.6	7.0	7.0	10.7	11.2	13.2	12.6	11.1	10.5	10.0
Yarns, weavies, clothes, leather and footwear	176.8	192.0	193.9	196.8	228.8	281.9	334.1	367.3	372.1	333.8	317.9
Wood and furniture goods	129.8	131.3	119.2	105.0	100.9	114.3	127.7	127.5	134.2	123.9	118.0
Printed and paper products	38.9	41.9	43.5	47.0	48.4	48.9	40.6	43.4	44.2	44.0	41.9
Refined oil products	215.0	218.8	212.9	244.4	292.7	334.6	428.3	535.7	639.0	403.8	384.6
Plastic and rubber chemical products	68.5	73.5	68.7	63.3	58.5	61.3	63.6	69.3	79.6	81.8	77.9
Glass and non metallic products	88.4	89.2	96.3	92.7	108.8	112.7	126.3	126.7	144.8	138.1	131.5
Metals and elaborated metallic products	30.6	27.8	29.5	38.8	43.9	49.5	74.5	89.9	124.6	128.6	122.4
Machinery and transport equipment	8.5	11.4	12.1	13.2	14.5	14.2	14.9	15.8	15.8	15.1	14.3

Source: BCN

UTILITIES

UTILITIES (INVOICED WATER AND ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION)

Services	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Potable water (thousands of m ³)	107,889.2	109,380.1	107,389.7	109,886.0	114,891.5	117,528.7	121,710.3	124,207.2	133,086.2	151,551.2	146,799.9
Houses	94,557.5	96,245.3	94,239.8	96,832.0	98,599.7	99,852.0	103,336.7	105,100.3	112,519.6	130,335.2	126,801.1
Commercial	5,694.7	5,863.2	5,958.6	6,546.0	8,853.6	9,865.5	10,742.2	11,520.0	12,701.2	12,958.7	12,001.6
Industrial	739.8	846.2	848.8	875.8	838.0	815.2	756.8	692.7	745.4	682.8	602.2
Government	6,897.2	6,425.4	6,342.5	5,632.2	6,600.2	6,996.0	6,874.6	6,894.2	7,120.0	7,574.5	7,395.0
Electricity (MWH)	1,504.8	1,561.4	1,577.7	1,635.7	1,701.3	1,784.6	1,874.8	1,955.0	2,089.7	2,193.9	2,339.6
Houses	448.2	461.1	474.0	519.5	558.4	593.9	633.7	650.0	695.7	742.5	804.1
Commercial	426.0	449.5	469.9	486.7	515.4	541.7	571.4	584.1	603.5	618.7	646.8
Industrial	339.8	351.9	360.4	354.1	337.0	362.5	382.4	435.2	492.4	503.6	566.4
Irrigation	91.4	88.3	75.0	64.1	66.8	65.8	65.6	57.4	63.8	82.2	65.6
Water distribution	159.3	170.5	160.5	157.5	156.1	150.5	150.7	156.1	163.3	172.5	180.9
Street lighting	40.1	40.1	38.0	53.9	67.5	70.2	71.0	72.1	71.0	74.4	75.8

Source: ENACAL, INE, ENEL.

CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE

OCCUPIED HOUSES UNITS			
Concepts	Total	Urban	Rural
Total	989,922	567,137	422,785
Private houses properties	987,601	565,578	422,023
Houses	923,044	544,206	378,838
Farm house	3,925	1,194	2,731
Apartment	1,033	1,014	19
Rented rooms	1,727	1,213	514
Hut	32,739	2,745	29,994
Improvised house	22,392	13,350	9,042
Location used as house	2,741	1,856	885
Colective houses	2,321	1,559	762
Hotel	266	213	53
Hostal	459	392	67
Guest house	398	267	131
Hospitals	62	46	16
Rehabilitation center	35	27	8
Asylum	22	19	3
Orphanage	34	23	11
Religious institute / boarding school	260	172	88
Jails	11	5	6
Others	774	395	379

Source: INIDE, VIII National Population and IV Housing Census, 2005.

BUILT AREA BY ECONOMIC SECTOR											
(thousands of square meters)											
Concepts	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total	1,097.5	1,149.3	1,004.2	924.2	977.8	1,073.2	1,132.0	1,170.7	987.7	645.7	567.2
Houses	816.8	917.2	735.0	640.8	628.2	612.4	786.4	790.8	654.5	464.8	424.3
Commerce	32.3	27.4	33.4	88.2	134.1	165.4	71.1	49.6	67.3	35.1	35.7
Services	140.7	151.8	180.9	179.8	137.7	123.8	206.3	169.0	180.5	123.5	93.5
Industry	107.7	52.9	54.9	15.4	77.8	171.5	68.2	161.3	85.4	22.4	13.7

Source: BCN.

BUILDING COSTS BY TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION*(millions of dollars)*

Concepts	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total private construction	340.3	369.2	347.9	333.4	401.9	473.0	631.7	640.0	685.3	482.9	444.2
Houses	221.6	247.7	201.1	170.0	201.4	219.0	345.5	372.4	359.6	271.5	266.4
Commerce	16.2	13.7	16.9	45.1	84.5	115.4	54.8	42.2	70.3	36.7	37.7
Services	86.2	99.5	120.1	115.7	100.6	104.7	212.7	179.0	230.6	167.8	135.9
Industry	16.3	8.4	9.8	2.6	15.5	33.9	18.7	46.4	24.8	6.8	4.2
Total public construction	264.3	266.1	176.7	197.7	264.9	273.3	238.6	265.2	326.9	392.4	380.0
Buildings	50.7	67.9	46.9	52.5	70.3	72.5	63.3	70.4	86.8	104.2	100.9
Civil engineering buildings	213.6	198.1	129.8	145.2	194.6	200.8	175.3	194.8	240.1	288.3	279.1

Source: BCN.

PUBLIC INVESTMENT BY SECTOR ^{1/}*(millions of dollars)*

Sectors	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total	194.4	292.1	194.4	189.5	257.0	294.2	233.9	271.9	309.3	369.2	347.8
Infrastructure	106.0	128.6	106.0	83.4	123.3	140.3	104.9	140.1	164.0	210.6	242.6
Social	63.2	129.3	63.2	79.7	113.7	126.0	98.8	95.1	117.8	142.7	85.0
Productive	21.3	26.7	21.3	15.8	12.5	22.4	23.4	25.9	18.5	3.7	4.2
National services	3.8	7.5	3.8	10.7	7.5	5.4	6.8	10.8	8.9	12.2	16.0

1/ : It excludes current expenses.

Source : DGIP-MHCP.

COMMERCE AND SERVICES

VALUE ADDED BY TYPES OF SERVICES

(millions of dollars)

Years	Total	Transport and communication	Financial intermediation	Housing	Personal and enterprise services	Electricity and water distribution
2000	1,056.6	190.2	138.4	329.8	281.6	116.7
2001	1,086.4	225.5	136.0	338.8	292.8	93.3
2002	1,086.0	216.5	150.5	338.8	288.4	91.8
2003	1,187.4	252.6	164.2	358.4	310.7	101.5
2004	1,287.4	261.6	208.5	358.8	331.3	127.2
2005	1,340.7	264.4	213.3	380.9	347.4	134.8
2006	1,413.1	286.7	237.6	397.0	349.4	142.4
2007	1,577.9	319.1	304.0	424.7	375.0	155.1
2008	1,713.1	337.0	339.9	453.8	400.6	181.8
2009	1,704.7	334.3	324.9	464.8	409.7	171.0
2010	1,736.6	340.8	302.7	477.1	425.0	191.0

Source: BCN.

VALUE ADDED OF COMMERCIAL INDUSTRY

(millions of dollars)

Years	Total	Commerce	Hotels and restaurants
2000	572.4	514.5	57.9
2001	569.3	495.1	74.2
2002	563.5	484.2	79.2
2003	549.7	475.2	74.4
2004	598.0	519.7	78.4
2005	672.6	584.2	88.4
2006	727.4	621.8	105.6
2007	771.9	686.5	85.4
2008	859.9	762.9	97.0
2009	847.3	744.0	103.3
2010	881.8	775.3	106.6

Source: BCN.

EXTERNAL TRADE

TRADE BALANCE

(millions of dollars)

Concepts	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Trade balance	(920.9)	(909.8)	(938.6)	(971.0)	(1,088.4)	(1,302.0)	(1,472.2)	(1,803.0)	(2,200.9)	(1,539.5)	(1,635.6)
Exports of goods	880.6	895.3	914.4	1,056.0	1,369.0	1,654.1	1,932.1	2,186.2	2,530.1	2,389.6	3,156.6
General merchandise (FOB)	642.8	589.4	558.7	610.9	759.8	866.0	1,043.9	1,222.1	1,475.3	1,393.8	1,851.1
Goods for processing	230.7	296.3	347.0	433.7	596.7	773.7	870.2	941.3	1,021.5	972.1	1,277.2
Goods procured in ports by carriers	7.1	9.6	8.7	11.4	12.5	14.4	18.0	22.8	33.3	23.7	28.3
Imports of goods	(1,801.5)	(1,805.1)	(1,853.0)	(2,027.0)	(2,457.4)	(2,956.1)	(3,404.3)	(3,989.2)	(4,731.0)	(3,929.1)	(4,792.2)
General merchandise (FOB)	(1,653.2)	(1,617.3)	(1,617.5)	(1,726.1)	(2,027.7)	(2,404.6)	(2,777.6)	(3,311.3)	(3,995.4)	(3,229.1)	(3,872.5)
Goods for processing	(148.3)	(187.8)	(235.5)	(300.9)	(429.7)	(551.5)	(626.7)	(677.9)	(735.6)	(700.0)	(919.7)

Source: DGA, CETREX, MEM.

EXPORTS BY PRODUCT (FOB)

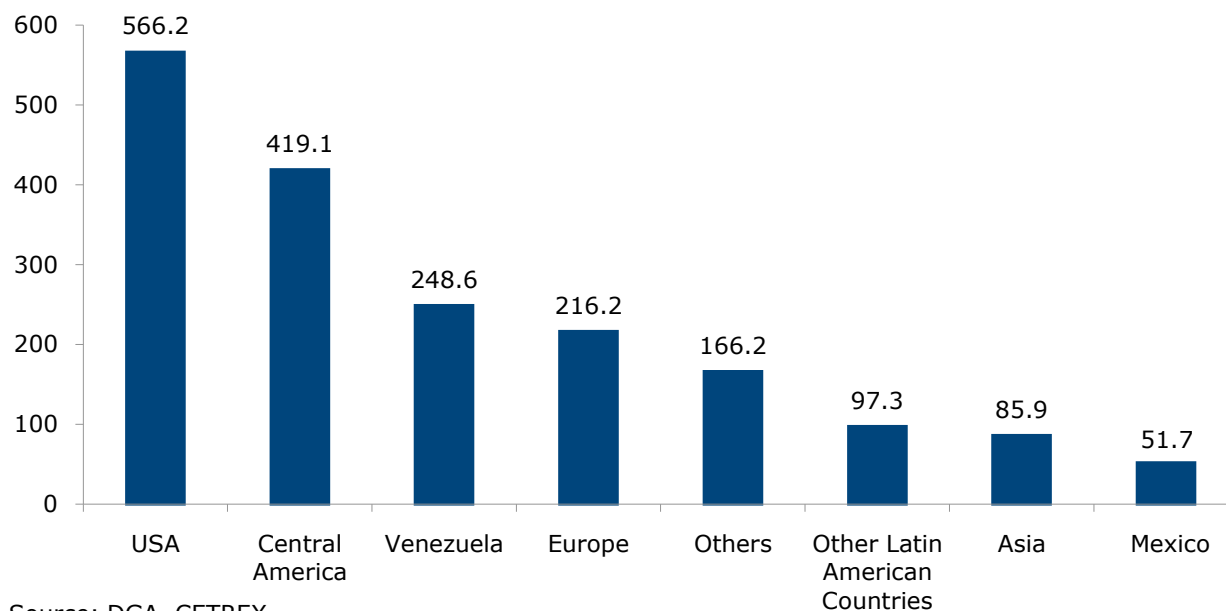
(millions of dollars)

Products	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total	642.8	589.4	558.7	610.9	759.8	866.0	1,043.9	1,222.1	1,475.3	1,393.8	1,851.1
Coffee	160.9	103.3	73.6	85.5	126.8	125.9	207.1	188.1	278.3	236.8	341.6
Beef	52.2	65.6	78.0	83.8	110.4	119.1	148.1	179.5	210.7	230.6	307.6
Peanut	29.8	30.7	24.2	28.4	39.7	43.6	43.0	56.0	90.2	65.9	61.8
Livestock	24.3	27.6	23.3	25.9	35.9	43.5	39.3	42.2	26.8	17.8	21.5
Sugar	41.3	49.1	28.6	25.7	36.8	60.3	60.3	74.5	50.4	50.0	126.8
Gold	29.3	29.9	35.0	35.0	47.7	42.5	55.3	61.4	78.2	6.2	208.3
Lobster	57.5	38.1	43.8	38.9	44.2	33.6	40.0	46.8	36.9	31.1	40.4
Dairy products	24.4	18.1	19.1	29.8	34.3	36.1	64.4	95.4	123.6	133.2	139.5
Shrimp	54.3	38.4	36.3	36.7	38.3	52.2	48.6	46.1	48.3	44.5	57.9
Beans	6.2	13.0	18.2	20.1	18.8	28.0	37.0	39.9	79.8	61.5	59.4
Bananas	8.3	11.6	11.0	12.2	10.7	11.6	9.6	9.9	9.6	11.7	6.6
Sesame	3.7	2.4	2.1	1.2	2.6	8.2	4.4	6.9	6.6	6.5	7.4
Others	150.6	161.7	165.4	187.8	213.6	261.4	286.7	375.3	435.9	498.0	472.3

Source: DGA, CETREX.

EXPORTS BY COUNTRY, 2010

millions of dollars



Source: DGA. CETREX.

IMPORTS OF GOODS

(millions of dollars)

Concepts	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Imports (FOB)	1,653.2	1,617.3	1,617.5	1,726.1	2,027.7	2,404.6	2,777.6	3,311.3	3,995.4	3,229.1	3,872.5
Imports (CIF)	1,805.5	1,775.3	1,774.0	1,886.6	2,209.6	2,623.2	3,014.8	3,610.6	4,316.7	3,489.0	4,173.2
Consumer goods	536.2	554.2	571.5	634.2	742.4	823.9	1,065.5	1,195.5	1,398.6	1,250.1	1,497.4
Nondurable	421.0	447.0	452.0	491.6	572.7	639.5	818.9	939.0	1,120.5	1,041.1	1,211.5
Durable	115.2	107.2	119.5	142.6	169.7	184.4	246.6	256.5	278.1	208.9	285.9
Oil, oil derivatives and electricity	291.6	269.8	253.7	328.4	401.9	541.5	680.9	829.0	990.5	699.0	776.0
Crude oil	184.5	171.6	149.5	194.4	225.2	284.9	366.0	403.5	477.1	346.8	419.8
Fuels and lubricants	103.4	97.4	103.8	133.6	175.8	254.1	310.9	421.0	512.7	352.0	355.6
Electricity	3.7	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.9	2.5	4.0	4.5	0.8	0.2	0.6
Intermediate goods	533.2	540.5	512.8	558.1	651.4	745.7	729.1	899.8	1,091.0	870.1	1,122.4
Agriculture	72.8	49.9	55.8	60.6	67.9	98.7	122.0	155.8	225.6	182.4	222.4
Industry	344.6	383.5	371.2	402.5	453.9	483.8	449.0	545.9	649.4	525.4	681.2
Construction	115.8	107.1	85.8	95.1	129.6	163.2	158.1	198.1	216.1	162.3	218.8
Capital goods	442.6	406.1	430.9	363.1	411.5	509.2	533.3	678.4	826.5	658.1	768.6
Agriculture	31.6	37.4	27.8	19.5	17.7	30.2	33.7	40.1	49.0	32.7	58.6
Industry	227.5	228.1	253.7	224.8	257.0	287.3	273.1	370.8	497.2	403.6	440.7
Transport equipment	183.5	140.7	149.5	118.8	136.9	191.8	226.5	267.5	280.3	221.7	269.3
Other goods	1.9	4.7	5.0	2.8	2.4	2.9	6.0	7.8	10.0	11.7	8.8

Source : DGA, MEM.

TOURISM

VISITORS ARRIVALS AND HOTELS

(number)

Concept	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Visitors arrivals	579,165	646,743	734,971	803,933	890,939	978,330	1,010,316	1,010,058	1,071,660
Hotels	208	246	266	345	380	406	503	529	611
Hotel rooms	4,225	4,418	4,795	5,335	5,889	6,233	7,408	7,817	8,880

Source: INTUR.

INTERNATIONAL TOURIST ARRIVALS BY TYPE OF TRANSPORTATION

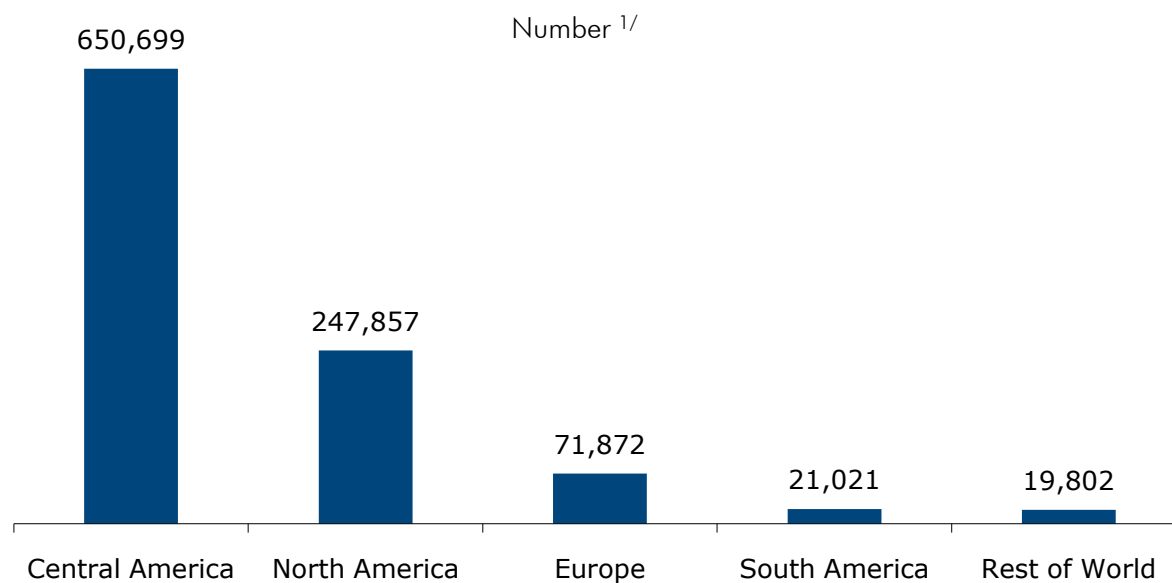
(number) ^{1/}

Concept	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total	471,622	525,775	614,782	712,444	749,184	799,996	857,901	931,904	1,011,251
Air	163,756	180,219	204,259	235,232	278,979	322,858	356,243	353,229	350,795
Sea	16,813	21,137	13,259	26,263	28,481	14,773	25,502	25,891	14,438
Land	291,053	324,419	397,264	450,949	441,724	462,365	476,156	552,784	646,018

1/ : Overnight tourism

Source : INTUR.

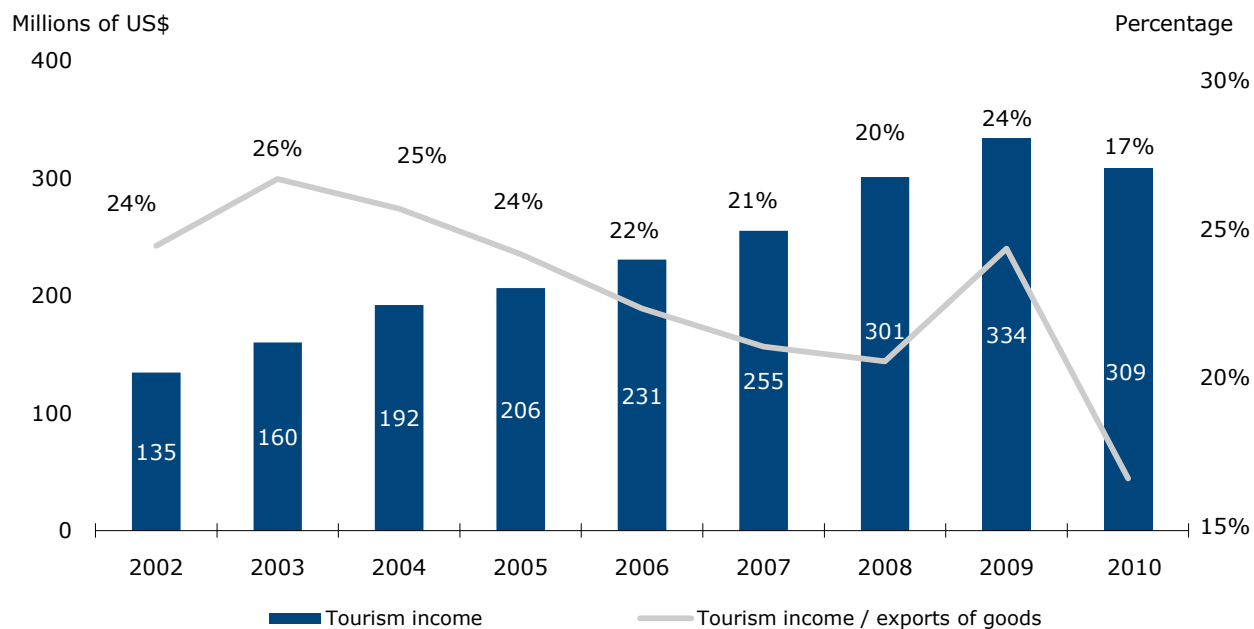
PRINCIPAL TOURIST MARKETS, 2010



1/ : Overnight tourism.

Source : INTUR.

TOURISM INCOME



Source: INTUR, BCN.

CRUISES

(number)

Concept	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Number of cruises	13	17	23	30	37	37	59	60	45
Turists	4,801	9,864	6,763	12,988	14,902	21,310	53,721	56,363	36,892
Tour tourists	2,408	4,556	3,086	5,954	8,053	11,066	31,846	25,168	17,040

Source: INTUR.

FINANCE

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF REGULATED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

(Millions of dollars)

Institutions	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004	
	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities
Commercial banks	1,791.7	1,623.4	1,839.0	1,726.3	1,918.9	1,783.4	2,080.6	1,925.0	2,288.3	2,086.6
Other financial intermediaries	63.1	56.2	67.5	60.6	73.5	63.5	69.1	58.0	114.2	98.2
Stockbrokers	3.0	1.4	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	3.6	1.5	3.8	1.2

Source: SIBOIF, BCN.

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Institutions	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		2010	
	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities
Commercial banks	2,577.8	2,345.2	2,868.9	2,590.6	3,190.8	2,881.7	3,549.2	3,016.2	3,773.0	3,406.6	4,149.5	3,755.1
Other financial intermediaries	94.9	83.1	139.8	123.2	220.5	192.3	67.8	218.0	53.9	44.3	40.2	31.6
Stockbrokers	4.0	1.3	3.9	0.7	4.8	1.1	5.3	1.4	4.1	0.5	5.7	1.7

Source: SIBOIF, BCN.

BANKING CREDIT TO PRIVATE SECTOR

(millions of dollars)

Concepts	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total portfolio	949.2	696.0	753.6	927.1	1,130.1	1,401.4	1,744.0	2,183.1	2,331.8	2,079.7	2,037.3
Credit card	49.1	100.2	113.8	150.1	166.7	205.0	277.4	378.9	384.6	335.7	262.7
Agriculture	170.6	114.5	132.0	140.1	141.3	156.9	165.1	187.2	224.0	197.6	239.5
Commercial	223.8	172.2	198.4	234.1	325.9	398.4	489.2	602.9	764.1	742.4	719.5
Cattle	26.8	14.7	16.4	18.7	26.9	46.4	76.7	109.8	83.3	73.4	46.8
Housing mortgage	56.8	58.2	69.3	96.3	139.7	181.9	234.9	291.7	328.0	324.1	313.7
Industrial	118.6	82.5	85.7	109.6	119.0	144.4	173.7	195.6	181.2	197.6	228.9
Personal	237.4	113.1	105.8	121.1	132.9	191.8	245.7	311.5	304.5	208.9	214.2
Others	66.0	40.5	32.2	57.0	77.8	76.5	81.3	105.5	62.1	0.0	11.9

Source: SIBOIF, BCN.

DOMESTIC INTEREST RATE ^{1/}*(annual rate)*

Interest rate	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Deposit interest rate											
3-month domestic currency	12.83	11.78	7.58	5.78	3.61	5.34	5.62	7.06	6.65	5.72	2.04
3-month US dollar	9.75	8.63	6.17	4.62	3.45	4.24	6.98	5.94	6.52	5.10	2.04
1-year domestic currency	14.27	13.56	10.16	7.80	6.42	6.79	8.52	8.07	8.34	8.61	4.33
1-year US dollar	10.78	10.48	8.41	7.05	5.78	6.75	6.88	7.43	7.55	7.49	4.61
Lending interest rates											
Short term domestic currency	19.69	20.43	15.69	14.35	12.54	9.37	11.64	12.91	13.58	14.27	10.16
Short term US dollar	15.56	16.47	11.86	11.37	10.00	10.35	10.70	10.86	12.63	12.45	9.77
Long term domestic currency	18.81	19.86	14.67	20.84	19.13	19.03	34.45	22.55	23.07	19.51	18.25
Long term US dollar	15.03	17.20	12.49	10.90	10.28	10.69	11.23	10.47	13.98	11.86	10.06

1/ : Weighted average of the last month of each year.

Source : SIBOIF, BCN.

INDICATORS OF MICROFINANCE ^{1/}

Indicators	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Branches and agencies	217	234	243	244	232	218
Clients	298,774	307,693	341,370	350,382	292,571	260,379
Profitability						
Return on assets	6	7	6	2	(4)	(1)
Return on equity	19	26	24	8	(23)	(3)
Loan portfolio						
Gross loan (US\$ millions)	149.2	178.9	218.1	246.0	212.7	176.7
Growth rate of loan portfolio (%)	26.5	19.9	21.9	12.9	(0.1)	(0.2)
Nonperforming loans / gross loans (%)	0.3	1.2	1.4	4.6	11.6	9.3
Loans portfolio at risk / gross loans (%) ^{2/}	0.7	1.5	2.4	6.2	14.9	13.8
Owners equity (US\$ millions)	42.4	53.8	66.1	70.1	54.7	53.4
Nonperforming loans net of provisions / owners equity (%)	(8.8)	(7.6)	(9.1)	(3.2)	(0.1)	(0.7)
Loans portfolio at risk of provisions / owners equity (%) ^{2/}	(7.4)	(6.7)	(5.6)	2.5	12.7	14.1

1/ : Information refers to micro credit institutions members of ASOMIF.

2/ : Includes restructured and reprogrammed loans.

Source : ASOMIF.

AVERAGE EXCHANGE RATE WITH RESPECT TO THE US DOLLAR

Currency	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Nicaragua: Cordoba	12.68	13.44	14.25	15.11	15.94
Costa Rica: Colon	307.87	328.52	359.39	398.12	437.15
El Salvador: Colon	8.72	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.75
Guatemala: Quetzal	7.76	7.85	7.81	7.93	7.94
Honduras: Lempira	14.84	15.47	16.43	17.35	18.21
Dominican Republic: Peso	16.18	16.69	17.45	29.06	41.25

Source: SECMCA, BCN.

Continued

Currency	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Nicaragua: Cordoba	16.73	17.57	18.45	19.37	20.34	21.36
Costa Rica: Colon	476.80	509.98	514.47	522.29	568.38	520.68
El Salvador: Colon	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.75
Guatemala: Quetzal	7.62	7.59	7.66	7.55	8.15	8.05
Honduras: Lempira	18.83	18.90	18.90	18.90	18.90	18.90
Dominican Republic: Peso	30.00	33.09	33.02	34.41	35.89	36.74

Source: SECMCA, BCN.

GOVERNMENT FINANCE

CENTRAL GOVERNMENT CURRENT REVENUE

(millions of dollars)

Concepts	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total	600.9	672.0	767.4	879.0	996.8	1,115.5	1,211.5	1,173.1	1,291.2
Tax revenue	543.0	623.7	706.1	815.5	925.6	1,029.0	1,121.7	1,090.3	1,198.0
Direct taxes	113.1	162.0	199.3	233.3	272.1	311.5	361.5	386.7	397.1
Income and earnings	113.0	162.0	199.3	233.2	272.1	311.5	361.4	384.4	391.0
Others	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.3	6.1
Goods and services	254.2	273.4	293.3	321.8	361.2	391.5	396.3	408.1	449.0
General sales	104.8	105.8	116.6	128.0	150.4	168.2	162.0	191.0	188.6
Selective consumption	148.5	166.8	175.8	192.9	209.7	222.2	233.2	215.9	259.5
Stamps	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.2	0.9
Trade and international transportation	175.8	188.2	213.4	260.3	292.3	326.1	363.9	295.4	351.9
Import duties	40.3	38.4	39.6	50.0	50.5	54.4	56.4	42.8	51.2
General tax on the value of imports	130.7	146.7	170.5	206.6	237.0	266.8	302.9	247.7	296.1
Fees	2.0	1.8	2.2	2.6	3.5	3.5	3.1	3.1	2.6
Others	2.8	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.8	1.9
Non tax revenue	57.8	48.2	61.4	63.5	71.2	86.4	89.7	82.8	93.1

Source: MHCP.

CENTRAL GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES BY ECONOMIC SECTOR

(millions of dollars)

Concepts	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total	821.2	989.1	1,001.9	1,096.2	1,204.2	1,291.1	1,454.8	1,468.6	1,487.3
Social	343.3	416.9	461.3	544.2	587.6	666.7	782.6	807.8	815.1
Education	161.6	191.7	195.1	230.6	251.0	286.0	339.7	364.3	354.1
Health	123.1	143.3	142.9	168.6	179.9	211.4	236.4	252.1	245.7
Assistance and social services	25.2	41.5	53.7	49.3	38.8	64.5	59.2	46.0	46.4
Housing and community	29.9	36.7	64.1	89.8	105.7	94.8	135.5	133.9	156.8
Cultural and recreational services	3.6	3.7	5.5	6.1	12.2	9.9	11.8	11.5	12.0
Government administration	111.4	105.9	129.3	169.1	204.9	146.0	173.0	155.7	150.6
Defense, public order and security	107.6	119.3	118.5	129.8	153.7	170.4	187.8	176.3	183.0
Economic services	144.0	158.1	201.1	195.8	161.3	219.8	236.7	244.8	245.0
Public debt, interests and expenditures	115.0	188.9	91.7	57.3	96.7	88.3	74.7	84.0	93.6
Amortization	103.4	182.3	116.7	168.4	161.5	180.6	189.2	171.6	196.9
Total expenditures included amortizations	924.6	1,171.4	1,118.6	1,264.6	1,365.7	1,471.7	1,644.0	1,640.2	1,684.2

Source: MHCP.

PRICES

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2006=100)

(annual percentage change)

Major groups	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
All groups	3.9	6.5	9.3	9.6	9.4	16.9	13.8	0.9	9.2
Food and beverages	1.8	7.2	12.5	9.7	11.3	25.8	23.5	(8.7)	13.7
Alcoholic beverages and tobacco	2.1	8.2	7.4	3.1	8.3	16.7	13.8	2.1	15.4
Clothing and footwear	2.4	1.6	3.1	3.0	4.8	6.9	8.6	4.9	4.8
Housing	3.8	7.6	8.9	10.1	10.0	11.8	4.5	5.6	8.3
House equipment and maintenance	2.9	3.9	6.4	8.4	8.5	13.1	18.6	4.4	5.6
Health	5.5	6.6	6.8	9.9	7.4	6.4	8.7	6.1	6.3
Transportation	9.5	12.9	15.0	20.1	9.4	19.3	(10.0)	16.9	8.9
Communications	6.0	(1.7)	1.6	5.4	2.7	1.5	4.7	5.6	3.2
Culture and recreation	4.1	7.0	4.5	3.7	4.7	7.7	7.9	4.0	10.7
Education	7.8	7.2	6.4	6.8	9.5	7.9	10.0	11.9	7.9
Restaurants and hotels	3.1	5.8	11.4	12.9	12.0	22.3	19.2	3.9	6.1
Miscellaneous goods and services	4.6	3.0	3.8	5.9	6.2	7.5	13.9	3.9	5.5

Source: BCN.

PRODUCER AND TRADE PRICE INDICES (1994=100)

(annual percentage change)

Concepts	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Agricultural production	0.8	6.6	4.3	1.5	24.3	2.9	25.4	12.6	16.4	(5.1)	28.3
Industrial production	5.7	(0.7)	9.0	18.6	9.8	17.0	6.6	23.8	(4.7)	16.2	13.0
Industrial input cost	2.3	8.1	7.3	3.8	5.8	11.7	10.5	11.3	20.1	(9.3)	12.2
Unit value export index (1997=100)	(2.0)	(7.4)	2.2	4.1	(1.3)	12.0	12.3	5.7	12.3	(3.6)	15.1
Unit value import index (1997=100) ^{1/}	18.4	(5.0)	(14.1)	13.1	10.1	9.0	7.2	16.0	26.9	(35.4)	6.6

1/ : It excludes capital goods.

Source : BCN.

CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS PRICE INDEX (1994=100)

(annual percentage change)

Products	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
All products	30.5	7.3	4.3	1.5	24.8	17.6	25.8	14.2	25.2	13.2	9.6
Wood and roof	46.6	7.1	3.1	(3.9)	26.4	22.9	32.4	13.8	21.4	19.3	10.2
Cement and related materials	10.3	9.7	10.6	9.9	10.7	10.7	13.4	13.6	25.3	14.9	11.3
Electricity and lighting	6.9	13.6	(7.7)	4.4	8.4	9.8	27.8	13.2	15.1	5.9	12.4
Metals and related materials	3.1	3.9	(2.5)	22.8	77.7	3.7	12.0	23.0	60.8	(23.7)	1.4
Restrooms and floors	1.8	(4.4)	2.7	5.7	6.1	11.4	14.4	2.9	13.5	(5.4)	(4.1)

Source: BCN.

EDUCATION

POPULATION OVER 10 YEARS OLD BY LEVEL OF INSTRUCTION AND EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Concepts	Total	Men	Women
Total	3,895,447	1,897,596	1,997,851
None	784,174	386,673	397,501
Elementary school			
1-3	644,440	335,517	308,923
4-6	1,050,827	515,337	535,490
High school			
1-3	627,400	303,387	324,013
4-6	406,795	184,157	222,638
Technical institute			
Basic	12,296	4,591	7,705
Medium	50,435	18,312	32,123
Superior	27,872	11,189	16,683
University			
1-3	102,693	46,436	56,257
4-6	172,709	83,400	89,309
Ignored	15,806	8,597	7,209

Source: INIDE, VIII National Population and IV Housing Census, 2005.

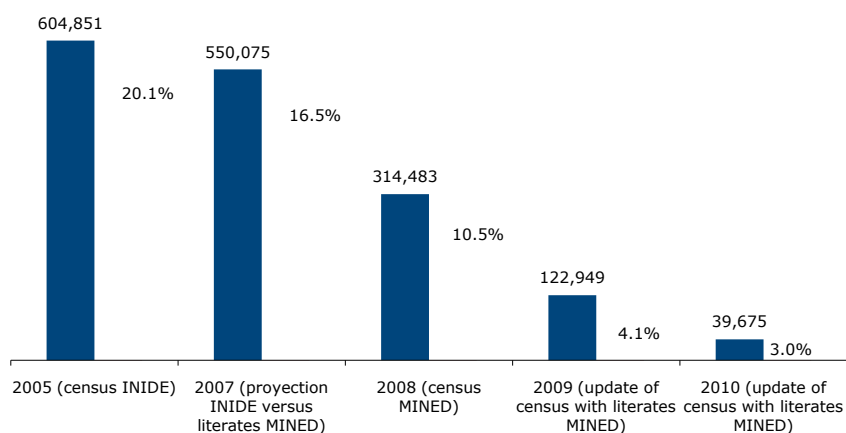
POPULATION BY LITERACY CONDITION

Concepts	Total	Literate	Illiterate
6-year old and more	4,404,375	3,360,612	1,043,763
10-year old and more	3,895,447	3,096,696	798,751
15-year old and more	3,213,899	2,506,937	706,962

Source: INIDE, VIII National Population and IV Housing Census, 2005

ILLITERATE AND INDEX OF ANALFABETISM (AGE 15 TO 65)

(number of illiterates and percentage of population)



Source: MINED.

GOVERNMENT SPENDING ON EDUCATION*(millions of dollars)*

Concepts	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Total	157.1	149.7	161.6	191.7	195.1
Education ministry	113.8	102.6	107.0	120.2	129.4
Current expenditure	65.4	65.3	76.2	77.3	88.8
Capital expenditure	48.5	37.3	30.8	43.0	40.6
Technological institute	3.7	1.1	1.3	1.1	1.2
Universities	38.7	43.6	47.0	52.6	47.7
Others ^{1/}	0.8	2.4	6.3	17.8	16.8

1/ : It includes transfers to educational programs and other institutions.

Source : MHCP.

Continued

Concepts	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total	230.6	251.0	286.0	339.7	364.3	354.1
Education ministry	154.4	168.5	192.6	233.3	244.9	231.5
Current expenditure	106.8	132.9	163.6	211.5	221.1	216.5
Capital expenditure	47.6	35.7	29.0	21.8	23.8	14.9
Technological institute	1.3	1.6	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3
Universities	56.6	71.6	81.1	88.6	96.0	102.3
Others ^{1/}	18.2	9.3	11.0	16.4	22.1	19.1

1/ : It includes transfers to educational programs and other institutions.

Source : MHCP.

REGISTRATION BY PROGRAM*(students)*

Programs	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Total ^{1/}	1,329,422	1,374,901	1,476,289	1,497,064	1,545,161
Special school	3,164	3,366	3,232	3,486	3,549
Preschool	166,715	163,832	178,880	183,709	199,422
Elementary school	838,437	866,516	923,391	927,217	941,957
High school	315,354	334,986	364,012	376,409	394,347
Teachers training	5,752	6,201	6,774	6,243	5,886

1/ : Not including the education program for adults.

Source: MINED.

Continued

Programs	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total ^{1/}	1,582,738	1,610,325	1,626,656	1,622,040	1,591,530	1,608,408
Special school	3,353	3,414	3,441	3,360	2,901	2,969
Preschool	213,672	209,950	214,615	220,529	213,224	218,062
Elementary school	945,089	966,206	952,964	944,341	926,969	923,745
High school	415,273	425,718	451,083	446,868	443,644	458,321
Teachers training	5,351	5,037	4,553	6,942	4,792	5,311

1/ : Not including the education program for adults.

Source: MINED.

PASSING RATE OF EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Programs	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Special school	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Preschool	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Elementary school	89.5	86.4	85.2	83.6	83.6
High school	72.0	74.2	72.7	73.9	77.2
Teachers training	90.5	90.7	87.9	87.0	90.6

Source: MINED.

Continued

Programs	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Special school	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Preschool	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Elementary school	84.7	83.7	86.4	87.7	90.3	86.9
High school	77.2	76.7	86.1	85.6	89.6	78.8
Teachers training	86.3	86.1	86.4	82.1	80.3	90.0

Source: MINED.

STUDENT - TEACHER RATIO ACCORDING TO PROGRAMS*(number)*

Programs	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Preschool	26	n.a	25	n.a	22
Elementary school	36	n.a	35	n.a	34
High school	36	n.a	35	n.a	33

Source: MINED.

Continued

Programs	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Preschool	25	24	24	20	21	21
Elementary school	34	33	32	29	30	30
High school	34	32	33	29	30	31

Source: MINED.

HEALTH

HEALTH SERVICES

(number)

Concepts	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Medical consultation	7,148,886.0	7,098,979.0	7,205,883.0	7,248,504.0	6,945,346.0
Prenatal care	442,929.0	427,551.0	445,331.0	464,990.0	461,773.0
Controls for children (0-5 year old)	1,497,879.0	1,555,853.0	1,600,751.0	1,627,752.0	1,379,325.0
Surgery	115,874.0	110,204.0	105,722.0	115,663.0	118,301.0
Medical consultations per population	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.2
Dental consultations per population	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Hospital beds x 10,000 people	10.0	9.9	9.4	9.2	8.9

Source: MINSA.

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Concepts	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Medical consultation	7,390,360.0	6,630,743.0	8,906,119.0	10,060,530.0	11,101,163.0	11,694,564.0
Prenatal care	471,563.0	479,837.0	517,883.0	528,596.0	566,469.0	562,641.0
Controls for children (0-5 year old)	1,377,413.0	1,314,931.0	1,471,821.0	1,424,057.0	1,362,121.0	1,313,208.0
Surgery	127,802.0	111,194.0	152,347.0	165,879.0	178,354.0	193,510.0
Medical consultations per population	1.3	1.2	1.6	1.8	1.9	2.0
Dental consultations per population	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Hospital beds x 10,000 people	9.2	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.8	8.8

Source: MINSA.

GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE ON HEALTH

(millions of dollars)

Concepts	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Total health	121.1	115.2	123.1	143.3	142.9
Ministry of Health	121.1	115.2	116.3	134.6	133.9
Current expenditure	94.2	91.4	90.3	97.0	92.6
Capital expenditure	26.9	23.8	26.0	37.5	41.2
Others ^{1/}	0.0	0.0	6.8	8.7	9.0

1/ : It includes transferences to other decentralized institutions.

Source : MHCP.

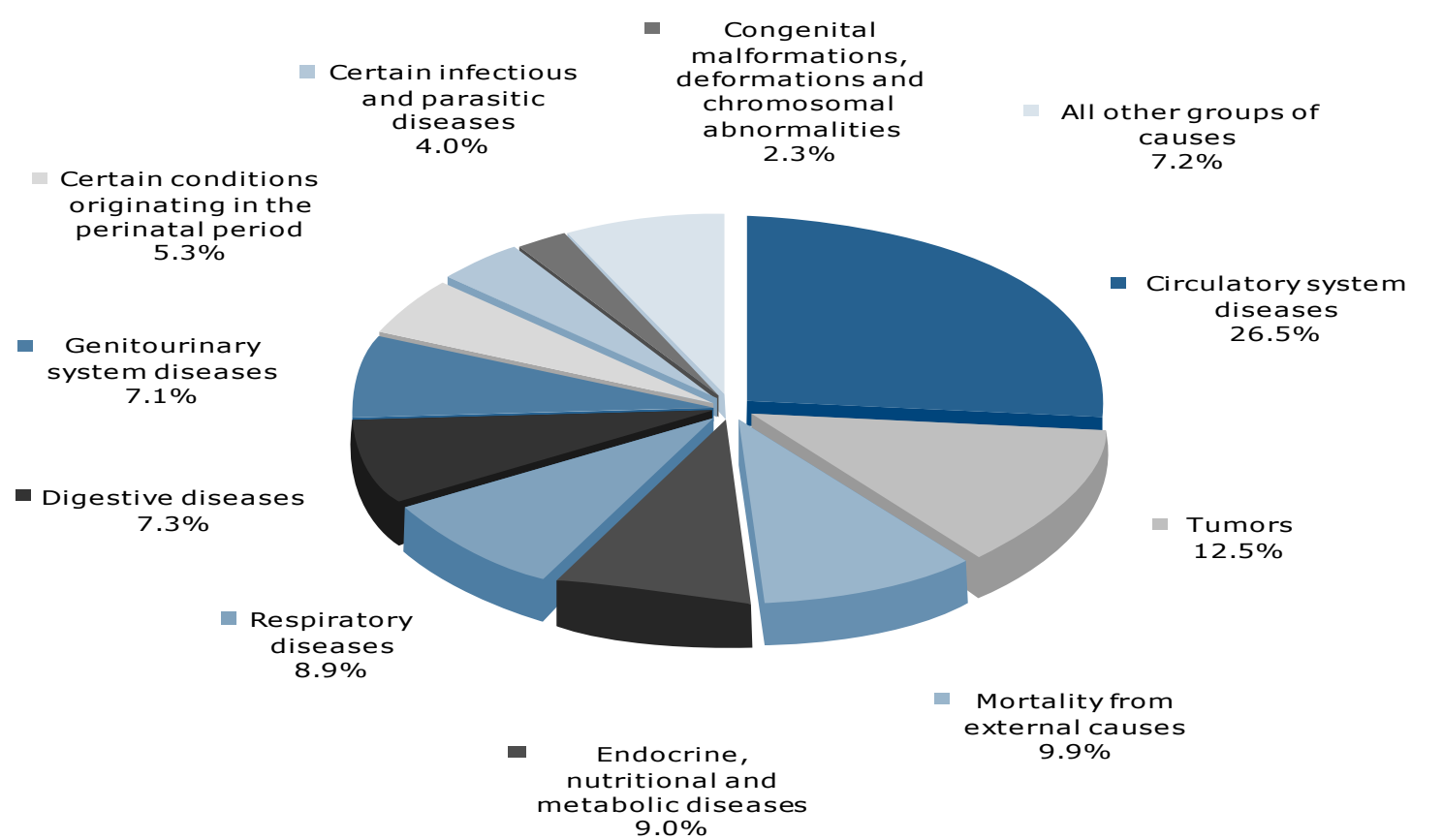
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Concepts	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total health	168.6	179.9	211.4	236.4	252.1	245.7
Ministry of Health	158.9	178.6	211.0	236.3	251.8	245.4
Current expenditure	120.5	144.8	168.8	206.9	227.6	231.9
Capital expenditure	38.5	33.8	42.2	29.4	24.2	13.6
Others ^{1/}	9.6	1.3	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.2

1/ : It includes transferences to other decentralized institutions.

Source : MHCP.

MAJOR DEATH CAUSES, 2010



Source: MINSA.

ENVIRONMENT

ENVIRONMENT INDICATORS

Indicators	2000	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Area covered by forests (as % total area) ^{1/}	47.7	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a
Protected areas (as % total area)	17.0	17.2	17.2	16.9	16.9	16.9	16.9
Use of energy for each GDP thousand dollars (KOE for each GDP thousand of dollar)	n.a	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4	n.a	n.a
Consumption of chlorofluorocarbons that affect the ozone layer (Ton of ODP)	n.a	48.4	36.0	27.6	3.7	0.0	0.0
Per capita emissions of carbon dioxide (Ton per inhabitant) ^{2/}	2.6	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a
Per capita consumption of biomass (wood + bagasse + other biomass) KOE per capita	n.a	266.2	261.9	174.7	173.6	174.2	173.0

1/ : The proportion of forest is calculated with the map of earth usage in Nicaragua made in 2000.

2/ : Nicaragua agreed with the Convention of United Nations for Climate Change that Nicaragua would made calculations of gas emission referred to year 2000.

Source : SINIA-MARENA.

FLORA AND FAUNA

	2008		2009		2010	
Animal and plant species	Plants	Animals	Plants	Animals	Plants	Animals
Total species	5,796	12,290	6,014	12,295	6,014	12,295
Endangered species	60	160	60	217	60	217
Endemic species	104	96	105	102	105	102
Species in danger of extinction	2	27	2	34	2	34
Indefinite ban species	1	122	1	122	1	122
Flora and fauna exports ^{1/}	2,356	61,182	799	57,584	799	58,650

1/ : Exports in m³ of living plants and animals.

Source : SINIA-MARENA and independent researches.

ENERGY

Indicators	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Total energy generated (GWH)	2,944.8	3,013.3	3,149.6	3,165.9	3,313.4	3,546.8
Renewable energy generation (%)	23.4	35.0	30.2	29.4	36.1	30.4
Use of hydroelectric potential (%)	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.8	5.8
Use of geothermal potential (%)	3.0	3.7	3.5	3.2	3.0	3.7
Effective utilization of wind energy potential (%)	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	10.1
Houses connected to power supply	564,287	595,921	612,918	651,124	692,500	726,263
Houses connected to power supply (%)	58.2	56.7	57.6	60.4	63.4	65.6

Source: MEM, SINIA-MARENA.

TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS

CARGO TRANSPORTATION

(thousands of tons)

Concepts	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
International air cargo	19.3	19.9	20.4	19.5	22.2
Loaded	6.4	7.3	7.4	7.5	9.3
Unloaded	12.9	12.5	13.0	12.0	13.0
International sea shipping	2,215.5	2,263.9	2,092.2	2,143.2	2,329.9
Loaded	265.6	245.0	203.4	195.2	286.6
Unloaded	1,949.9	2,018.9	1,888.8	1,948.0	2,043.3
National water cargo	167.6	154.8	165.7	185.0	229.6
Lacustrine	97.8	91.2	96.0	98.5	145.8
Atlantic	69.8	63.6	69.7	86.5	83.8

Source: MTI.

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Concepts	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
International air cargo	21.5	19.1	19.0	18.0	18.9	25.9
Loaded	9.6	9.0	9.3	9.9	10.7	16.6
Unloaded	12.0	10.1	9.7	8.1	8.1	9.3
International sea shipping	2,507.1	2,678.0	2,937.9	2,786.9	2,831.5	3,009.0
Loaded	386.6	322.5	492.1	447.3	484.0	691.9
Unloaded	2,120.5	2,355.5	2,445.8	2,339.6	2,347.5	2,317.1
National water cargo	211.9	177.8	160.4	186.4	198.5	201.6
Lacustrine	115.6	94.5	76.0	86.0	91.8	90.1
Atlantic	96.2	83.3	84.4	100.5	106.8	111.5

Source: MTI.

TELEPHONY AND POSTAL SERVICES

Concepts	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Postals (thousands)	8,647.3	7,488.4	9,649.3	14,991.6	10,105.4
Express post (thousands)	23.4	17.9	31.1	40.4	26.1
Facsimile reception/transmission (thousands of pages)	168.6	173.4	148.0	144.8	134.8
P.O Box (thousands)	10.4	12.2	7.0	8.0	7.3
Telephone landlines	162,484.0	156,457.0	171,632.0	205,004.0	214,480.0
Cell phones	102,860.0	164,509.0	237,248.0	466,706.0	738,624.0
National telephony (millions of pulses) ^{1/}	4,467.6	4,850.1	4,012.7	4,180.2	3,878.1
International telephony (thousands of minutes) ^{2/}	40,650.3	41,659.1	38,173.1	36,872.2	37,308.6

1/ : National telephony indicator refers to millions of minutes for year 2009.

2/ : International telephony refers to incoming calls for year 2009.

Source : ENITEL, TELCOR and Post Office of Nicaragua.

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Concepts	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Postals (thousands)	4,377.1	4,229.5	5,584.8	4,667.5	4,109.9	4,868.6
Express post (thousands)	31.6	24.9	18.9	26.2	28.6	20.9
Facsimile reception/transmission (thousands of pages)	125.5	80.4	35.8	28.7	18.1	6.9
P.O Box (thousands)	8.7	7.1	9.8	5.7	5.8	n.a
Telephone landlines	226,634.0	247,862.0	262,752.0	252,000.0	255,263.9	n.a
Cell phones	1,119,379.0	1,830,220.0	2,122,767.0	3,108,002.0	3,204,367.0	n.a
National telephony (millions of pulses) ^{1/}	3,814.0	3,570.0	3,325.0	3,158.0	1,992.3	n.a
International telephony (thousands of minutes) ^{2/}	36,533.4	50,566.0	68,973.0	88,074.0	433,981.8	n.a

1/ : National telephony indicator refers to millions of minutes for year 2009.

2/ : International telephony refers to incoming calls for year 2009.

Source : ENITEL, TELCOR and Post Office of Nicaragua.

SYMBOLS

n.a: Not available
 US\$: US Dollars
 C\$: Cordobas

NOTE

Some figures, especially from recent years, are subject to modifications.

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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ASOMIF	Nicaraguan Association of Microfinance Institutions
BCN	Central Bank of Nicaragua
°C	Degrees Celsius
CEPAL	Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
CETREX	Export Promotion Center
CIF	Cost, Insurance and Freight
DGA	General Directorate of Customs
DGIP	General Directorate of Public Investment
ENACAL	Nicaraguan Water and Sewerage Company
ENEL	National Electricity Utility
ENITEL	Nicaraguan Telephone Company
FOB	Freight On Board
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GWH	Gigawatts Hours
INE	Nicaraguan Energy Institute
INETER	Territorial Studies Institute
INIDE	National Institute of Information for Development
INTUR	Nicaraguan Institute of Tourism
KOE	Kilogram of Oil Equivalent
M ³	Cubic meters
MARENA	Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources
MHCP	Ministry of Finance and Public Credit
MINED	Ministry of Education
MEM	Ministry of Energy and Mines
MIFIC	Ministry of Foment, Industry and Commerce
MINSA	Ministry of Health
MTI	Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure
MWH	Megawatts Hours
NIR	Net International Reserves
ODP	Ozone Depletion Potential
SECMCA	Executive Secretariat of the Central American Monetary Council
SIBOIF	Superintendence of Banks and Other Financial Institutions
SINIA	National System of Environmental Information
TELCOR	Telecommunications and Mail Services Regulatory Agency



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