



Making Cities Work

# PANAMA

Capital: Panama City (2000)  
Largest City: Panama City 1,173,000

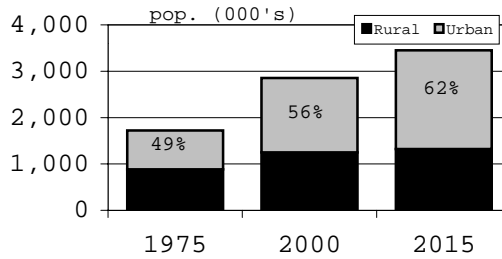
2000 Population	2.9 million
10-year Avg. Annual Pop. Growth	1.7%
GDP (2000)	\$16.6 billion
GDP per capita	\$5,814
GDP growth	2.5%
GN I per capita (2000)	\$3,260
World Bank Classification	Upper Mid. Inc
Population Below Poverty Line	1.1 million



## Urban

### Urban Population

1,606,000 lived in urban areas in 2000.



### Annual Growth Rates (2000-2015)

Urban 1.9%  
Rural 0.4%

City Sizes	# of cities
10 million +	0
5-9.9 m	0
2.5 - 4.9 m	0
.75-2.49 m	1

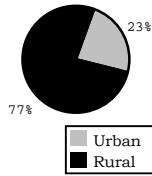
### Migration Trends

The country's most concentrated urbanization is located in the corridor along the former Canal Zone from Colón to Panama City. Provincial growth rates in the 1970s ranged from 0.5 percent to 3.5 percent. The population in rural Bocas del Toro province grew at an average annual rate of 3.1 percent. This high growth rate was due to an influx of migrants to the Cerro Colorado copper project in the eastern part of the province.

### Urban Poverty

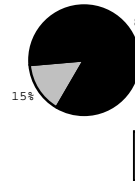
245,718 urban dwellers were below the poverty level.

#### POVERTY IN PANAMA



23% of the country's poor live in urban areas.

#### URBAN POVERTY



15% of the urban population is poor.

#### Income Inequality

(wealthiest 20% divided by poorest 20%)  
Nation ('97) 14.7  
City level \*

### Economy & Employment

(Country) Sector	GDP (1999)	Employment (1990)
Agriculture	7%	26%
Industrial	17%	16%
Services	77%	58%

#### Urban Employment Structure (1999)

	Informal	Formal
Sole Proprietor	23%	Public 21%
Domestic Service	7%	Private 40%
MicroEnterprise	10%	
Subtotal	39%	Subtotal 61%

### Decentralization

Sample Urban Area: Colon (52,286), 2000

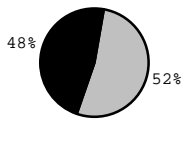
(UNCHS - HABITAT, 1998)

Able to set **some** of local tax levels  
Able to set **some** of user charges  
Able to borrow **some** of funds

Able to choose **some** contractors for projects  
Funds transfer **is** known in advance  
Central government **cannot** remove local govt. officials

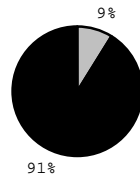
### Infrastructure & Basic Services

192,720 urban dwellers lack water supply.



52% of people without water supply live in urban areas.

16,060 urban dwellers lack sanitation coverage.



9% of people without sanitation coverage live in urban areas.

#### Population without Water Supply in 2000

	(000's)	% of rel. pop.
Urban	193	12%
Rural	175	14%
Total	368	13%

#### Pop. without Sanitation Coverage in 2000

	(000's)	% of rel. pop.
Urban	16	1%
Rural	162	13%
Total	178	6%

### Health

First and Second Quintile of Income Distribution

Under 5 yrs.-old. mortality rate (per 1,000 births, 1995)  
Children severely underweight (under 5 yrs.-old)

	Urban Poorest	Rural Poorest	Urban Poor	Rural Poor	National Average
Under 5 yrs.-old. mortality rate (per 1,000 births, 1995)	*	*	*	*	*
Children severely underweight (under 5 yrs.-old)	*	*	*	*	*

### Crime

% of households reporting assaults & robberies, 1996-1998

(city size)	Small (<100,000)	Medium (<1.0 mill.)	Large (>1.0 mill.)
% of households reporting assaults & robberies, 1996-1998	26.1%	38.9%	*