

# SEDLAC

## Socioeconomic Database for Latin America and the Caribbean

The **March 2010** version of **SEDLAC** Statistics includes the following developments:

1. **Argentina**: extends the coverage of statistics to include the years 2007, 2008 and 2009, after the publication of the databases of the Encuesta Permanente de Hogares Continua (EPHC) by the Instituto Nacional de Estadísticas y Censos (INDEC). It updates the results of the period 2003-2006 due to changes in the methodology and in the processing of data performed by the INDEC. These changes include the following: calibration of expansion factors (according to demographic projection of proportions of the population, by gender and age groups) and correction for non-response on income questions (in the past this correction was done by reweighting, now is handled by imputation of missing data by random hot-deck technique)
2. **Brazil**: includes statistics from the Pesquisa Nacional por Amostra de Domicílios (PNAD) 2008.
3. **Costa Rica**: completes the series of statistics for the period 1989-2009, incorporating the information on the Encuesta de Hogares de Propósitos Múltiples (EHPM) for the years 1989, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2008 and 2009.
4. **Ecuador**: includes statistics from the Encuesta Nacional de Empleo, Desempleo y Subempleo (ENEMDU) 2008.
5. **Honduras**: completes the series of statistics for the period 1991-2008, incorporating the information from the Encuesta Permanente de Hogares de Propósitos Múltiples (EPHPM) for the years 1991, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1998, 2002 and 2008. The whole series is under revision. Thus, results presented should be considered as preliminar.

6. **Mexico**: presents the statistics from the Encuesta Nacional de Ingresos y Gastos de los Hogares (ENIGH) 2008. There are also minor changes in income statistics for every year due to adjustments in the definition of income (auto-consumption was incorporated and there were minor changes in the estimation of the implicit rent for own-housing).
7. **Paraguay**: incorporates statistics from the Encuesta Permanente de Hogares (EPH) 2008. There are also significant changes in the poverty statistics for the period 1997-2007, because the Dirección General de Estadísticas, Encuestas y Censos (DGEEC) has undertaken a review process, updating and improving the methodology for measuring poverty. Some of the major changes that were implemented include the following: adjustments of survey results due to non-response bias (particularly on income information), redefinition of the reference population for the construction of the poverty line and, therefore, the estimation of new poverty lines
8. **Peru**: includes statistics from the Encuesta Nacional de Hogares (ENAHO) 2008.
9. **Uruguay**: includes statistics from the Encuesta Continua de Hogares (ECH) 2008.