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Security & Violence — in Cities —

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Words of Welcome

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Introducing the speakers

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Security and Violence in Cities: A Global South to Global
North Perspective

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SECURITY AND VIOLENCE IN CITIES: A GLOBAL SOUTH TO GLOBAL NORTH PERSPECTIVE

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KEY POINTS

SECURITY AND VIOLENCE IN CITIES: A GLOBAL SOUTH TO GLOBAL NORTH PERSPECTIVE

- Introduction: Violence in the City: Numbers, Perceptions and Representations
- Violence and its Multiple Expressions
- Security : A Public Good or Excludable Commodity?
- Co-Constructing Agendas of Human Security
- Global South to Global North?

INTRODUCTION: VIOLENCE IN THE CITY, NUMBERS, PERCEPTIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS

- Introduction: Violence in the City: Perceptions, Numbers and Representations

- 1. NUMBERS

In 2018, 42 of the world's 50 most violent cities were in Latin America. Four were in the US, with another in Puerto Rico.

(<http://www.seguridadjusticiaypaz.org.mx/ranking-de-ciudades-2017>)

Listado de las 50 ciudades más violentas del mundo en 2017

	Ciudad	País	Homicidios	Habitantes	Tasa
1	Los Cabos	México	365	328,245	111.33
2	Caracas	Venezuela	3,387	3,046,104	111.19
3	Acapulco	México	910	853,646	106.63
4	Natal	Brasil	1,378	1,343,573	102.56
5	Tijuana	México	1,897	1,882,492	100.77
6	La Paz	México	259	305,455	84.79
7	Fortaleza	Brasil	3,270	3,917,279	83.48
8	Victoria	México	301	361,078	83.32
9	Guayana	Venezuela	728	906,879	80.28
10	Belém	Brasil	1,743	2,441,761	71.38
11	Vitória da Conquista	Brasil	245	348,718	70.26
12	Culiacán	México	671	957,613	70.10
13	St. Louis	Estados Unidos	205	311,404	65.83
14	Maceió	Brasil	658	1,029,129	63.94
15	Cape Town	Sudáfrica	2,493	4,004,793	62.25
16	Kingston	Jamaica	705	1,180,771	59.71
17	San Salvador	El Salvador	1,057	1,789,588	59.06
18	Aracaju	Brasil	560	951,073	58.88
19	Feira de Santana	Brasil	369	627,477	58.81
20	Juárez	México	814	1,448,859	56.16
21	Baltimore	Estados Unidos	341	614,664	55.48
22	Recife	Brasil	2,180	3,965,699	54.96
23	Maturín	Venezuela	327	600,722	54.43
24	Guatemala	Guatemala	1,705	3,187,293	53.49
25	Salvador	Brasil	2,071	4,015,205	51.58
26	San Pedro Sula	Honduras	392	765,864	51.18
27	Valencia	Venezuela	784	1,576,071	49.74
28	Cali	Colombia	1,261	2,542,876	49.59
29	Chihuahua	México	460	929,884	49.48
30	João Pessoa	Brasil	554	1,126,613	49.17

- Introduction: Violence in the City: Numbers, Perceptions and Representations

PERCEPTIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS

- No real definition of 'urban violence'
- Sebastian Saborio, *Violencia Urbana: Analisis Critico y limitaciones del Concepto*. Revistarquis, Vol. 8, no. 1 2019 61-71)
- Growth of cities to 54% of global population to 66% in 2050 (UN, 2014) But Latin America urbanised very rapidly. 80% urban population 2017 compared with 41% in 1950. Fastest growing urban population in the world and second most urbanised region after North America.
- Not all cities violent. And some smaller towns are more violent than some cities. And some aren't.
- Complexities (homicides rates, visible social and economic inequalities of urban space and services)
- Violence impacts on perceptions and reality of everyday lives, and differentially. Security is unevenly accessed. In Latin America it is not a public good. It is highly politicised. Without security as an accessible and equitable public good, violence mutates and impacts across generations.

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PERCEPTIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS
- What violences do we see? Selectivity of the Violences that Matter.
- Violence: Meaning Laden and Meaning Generating Acts and Actions of Somatic Harm (that construct, normalise and destroy social orders)
- Violence is not reducible to a single causality. However, the biological body is a social body. And history matters.
- Elites and the rule of law: Reduction in interpersonal male on male violence in Europe.
- But we are seeing how this can be disrupted, and how crime can bring new forms of violence to the city.
- Scale maybe different between global South and global North

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PERCEPTIONS AND REPRESENTATION

- But inequality, masculinities, status, recognition, frustration (Durkheim's anomie? The breakdown or failure to develop ties that can bind people)
- Latin America and its extreme inequalities, so visible in the urban space of its cities and towns, reflects this well
- However, the representation of this violence is often through homicide statistics, gangs, shootouts and crime.
- The reality is what I call 'Chronic Violence' in which low level and increasingly organized crime penetrates because the State has failed to develop equitable security and the elites have failed to invest in the rule of law.

VIOLENCE AND ITS MULTIPLE EXPRESSIONS











SECURITY: A PUBLIC GOOD
OR EXCLUDABLE
COMMODITY?



CO-CONSTRUCTING HUMAN SECURITY AGENDAS



Agenda de Seguridad Humana de **Apatzingán**, Michoacán, México.



AGENDA NACIONAL **HACIA UNA AGENDA DE SEGURIDAD HUMANA PARA MÉXICO:** POR UNA SEGURIDAD QUE NO REPRODUZCA LAS VIOLENCIAS









GLOBAL SOUTH TO
GLOBAL NORTH?



"THE EXCHANGES BETWEEN
OURSELVES IN THE WEST
YORKSHIRE POLICE AND THE
POLICE IN MEDELLIN HIGHLIGHTED
THE CONSTANT NEED FOR THE
PROVISION OF A POLICE SERVICE
AND NOT A POLICE FORCE."
FORMER INSPECTOR MARTIN
BAINES QPM

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Implementing New Urban Agenda and SDGs in LAC
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POR UN MEJOR FUTURO URBANO

Implementing global agendas y LAC in the context of social unrest and chronic violence

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LAC Urbanisation: Challenges and Opportunities

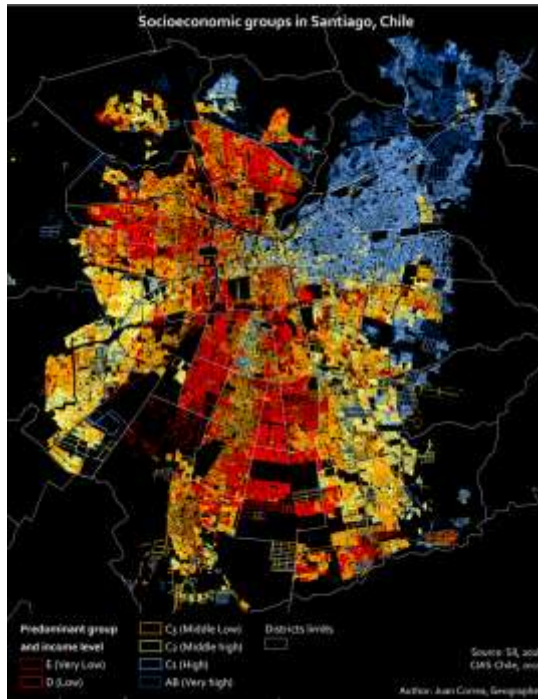
- Double **urban-demographic transition**:
 - Significant decrease in the rate of rural-urban migration
 - Decrease in population growth rates and population ageing
- New patterns of production, distribution and consumption alongside old structural challenges in urban economies (MIC) that **hinder inclusion and universal access to the benefits of urban development**
- Significant achievements made in poverty reduction and access to housing, but **inequality, social-spatial segregation and public safety remain central themes** on the regional agenda
- **Vulnerability to climate change increases**, with an uneven socio-territorial impact, and ecological footprint grows as a result of pressure from consumption
- Advances in recognizing cities as a macro public good, while **institutional weakness persist in the management of Sustainable Urban Development and the full realisation of the Right to the City**

UN, 2017. *Habitat III Regional Report. Latin America and the Caribbean*. NYC, 90 p



The recent situations requiring urgent attention and response in cities

1. The recent wave of social unrest has shown the need to deeply work on socio-economic inclusion, and on generation of opportunities for the urban youth in segregated cities



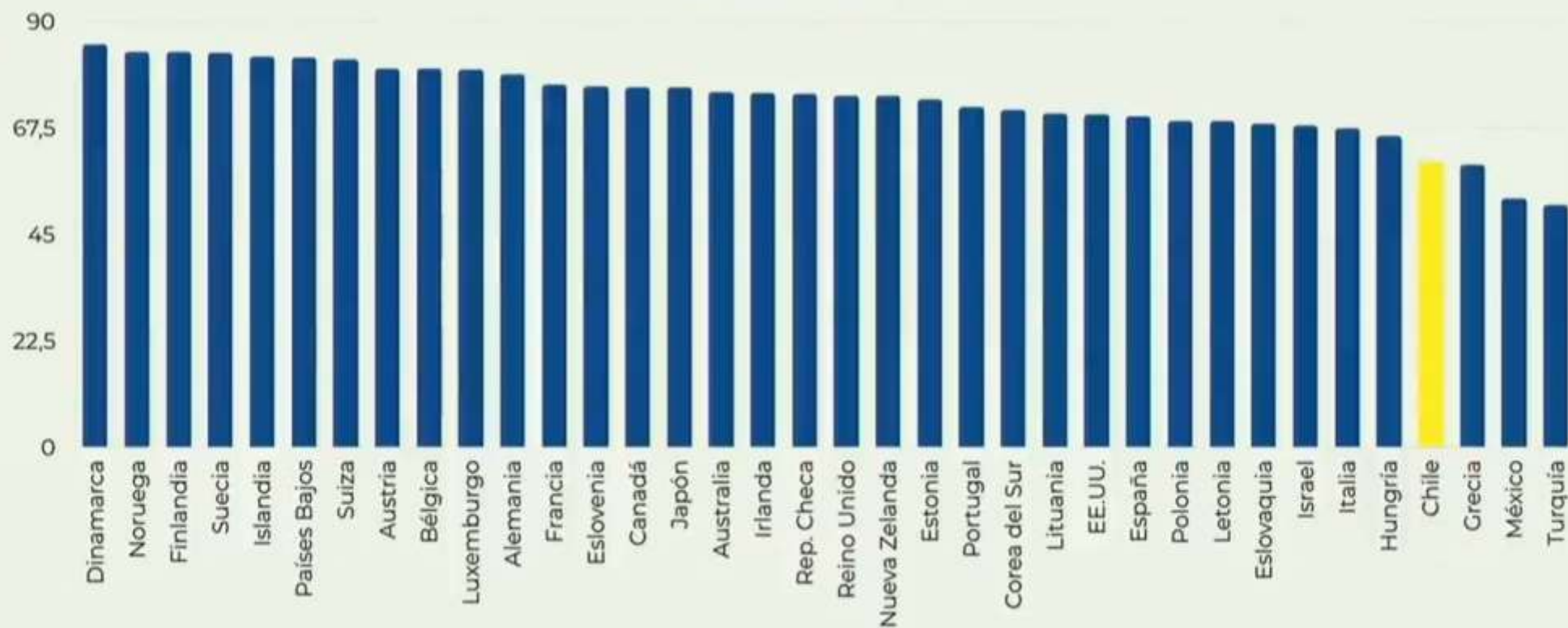
Courtesy Roberto Monteverdi, U Rosario





En países OCDE, solo superamos a Grecia, México y Turquía en términos de **movilidad social**

Índice de movilidad social
(2020, puntaje, 0 - 100)

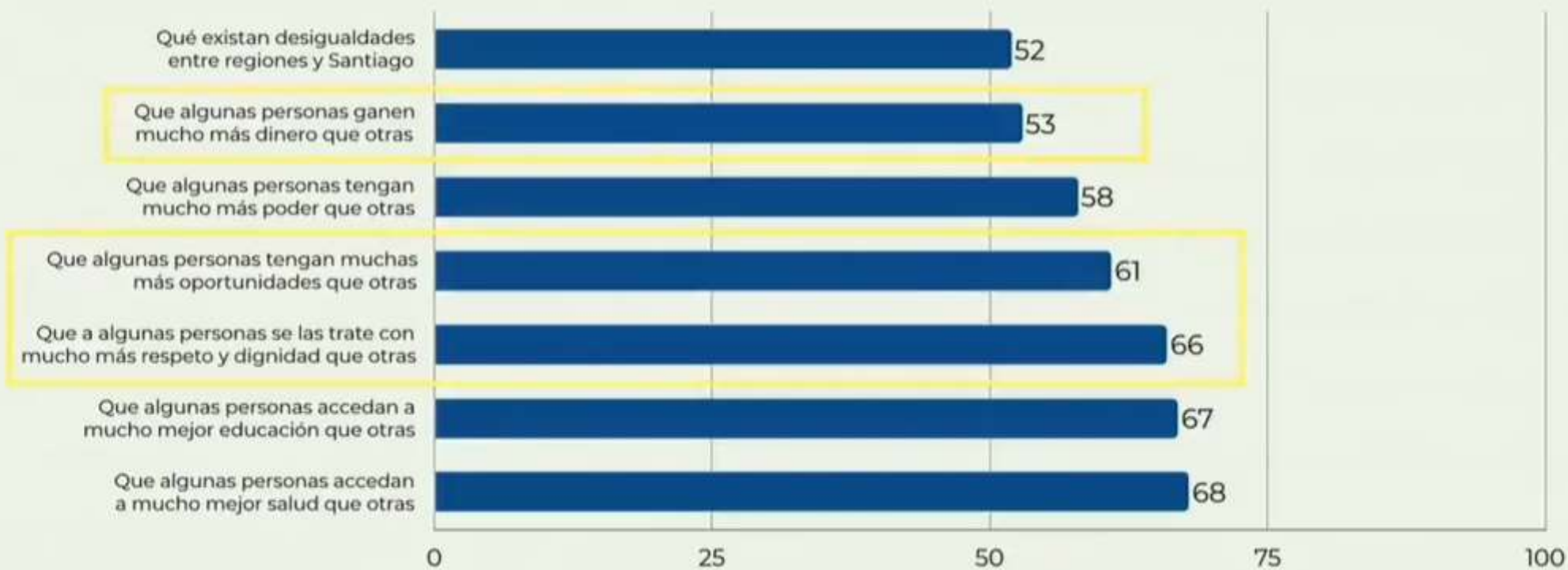


Fuente: Foro Económico Mundial.



Mucho más que la desigualdad de ingresos: el trato importa

¿De 1 a 10, cuánto le molesta a usted cada una de las siguientes situaciones?
(Porcentaje de menciones 9 y 10)

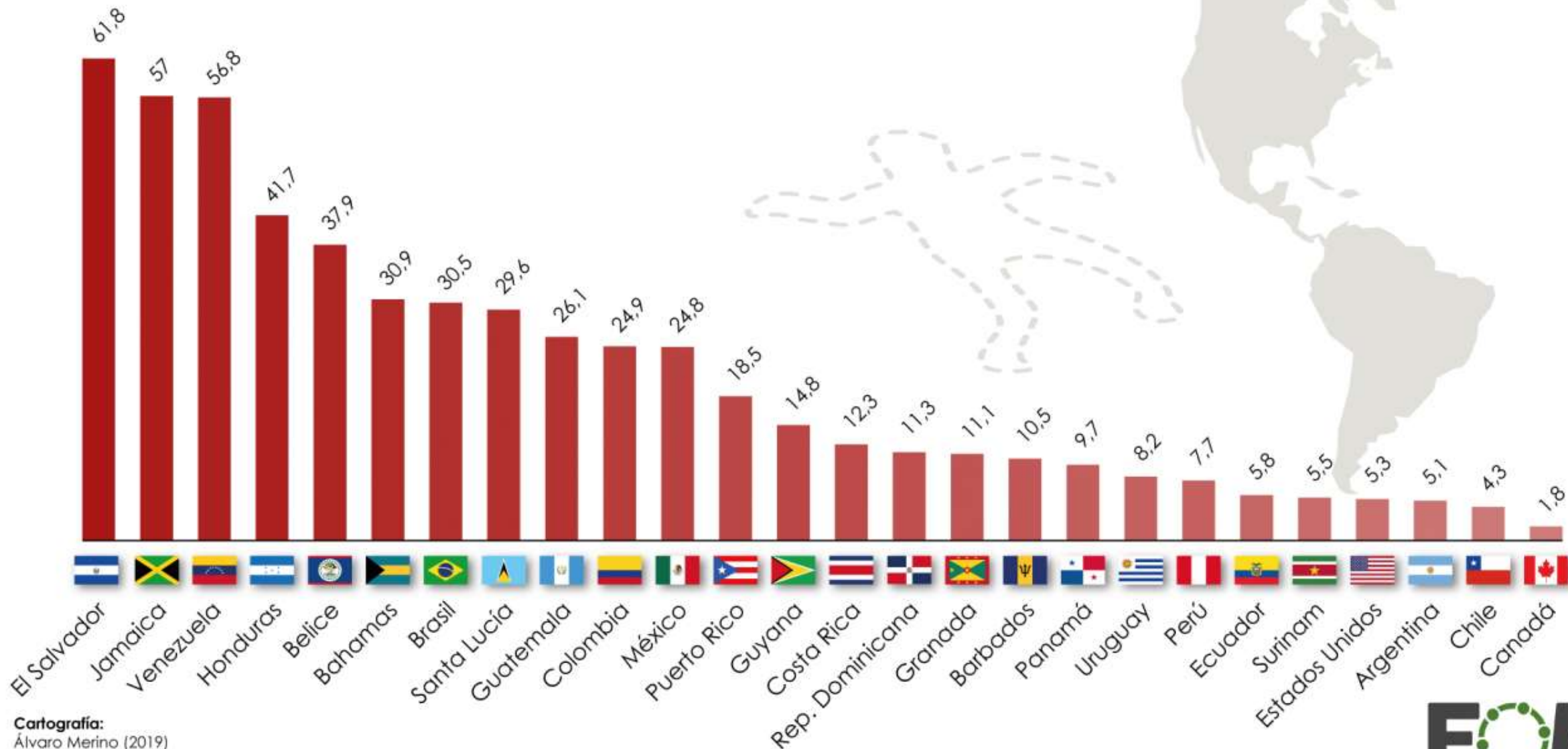


Fuente: PNUD, 2017.



Tasa de homicidios en América

Homicidios por cada 100.000 habitantes ocurridos en 2017

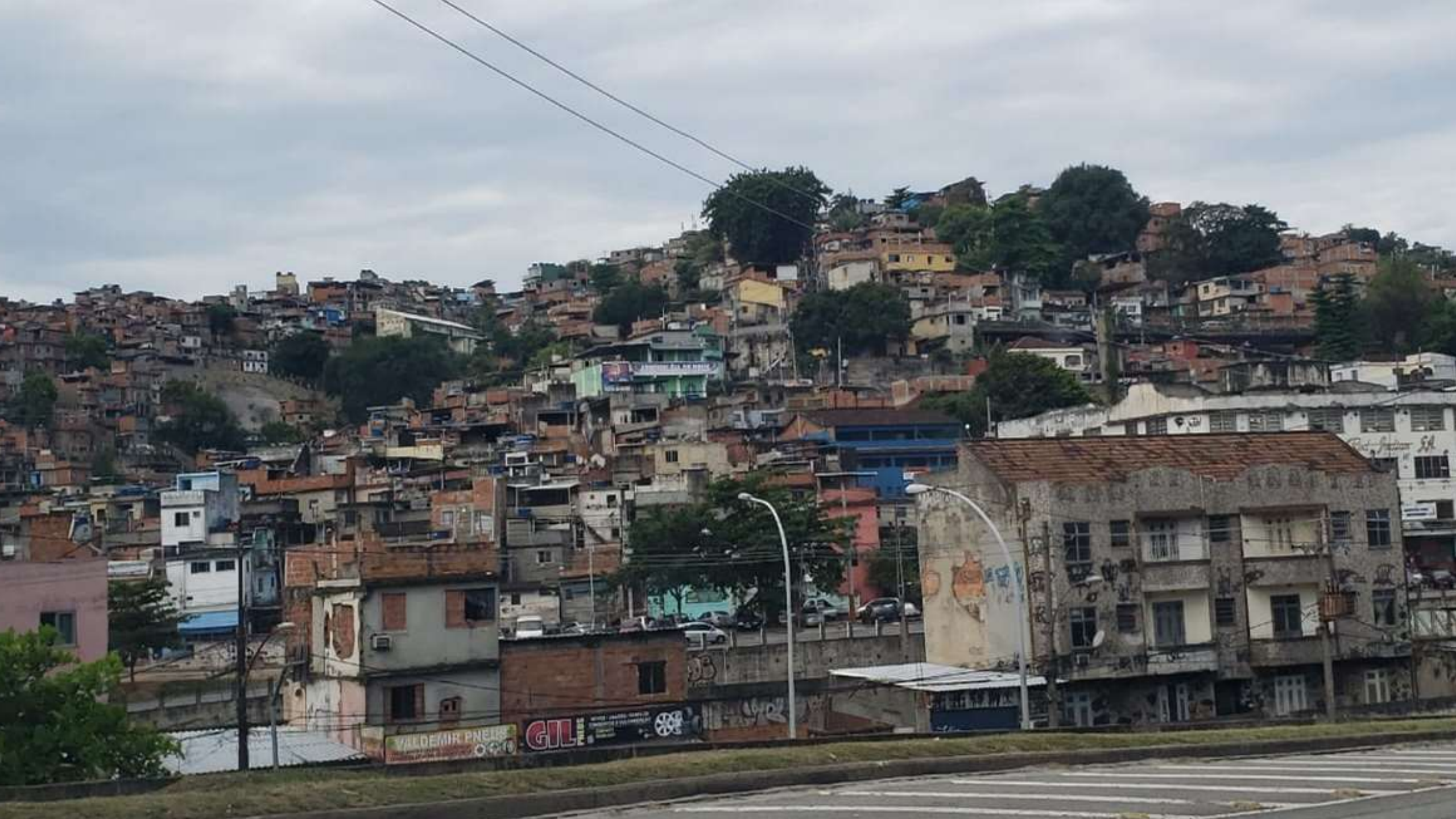


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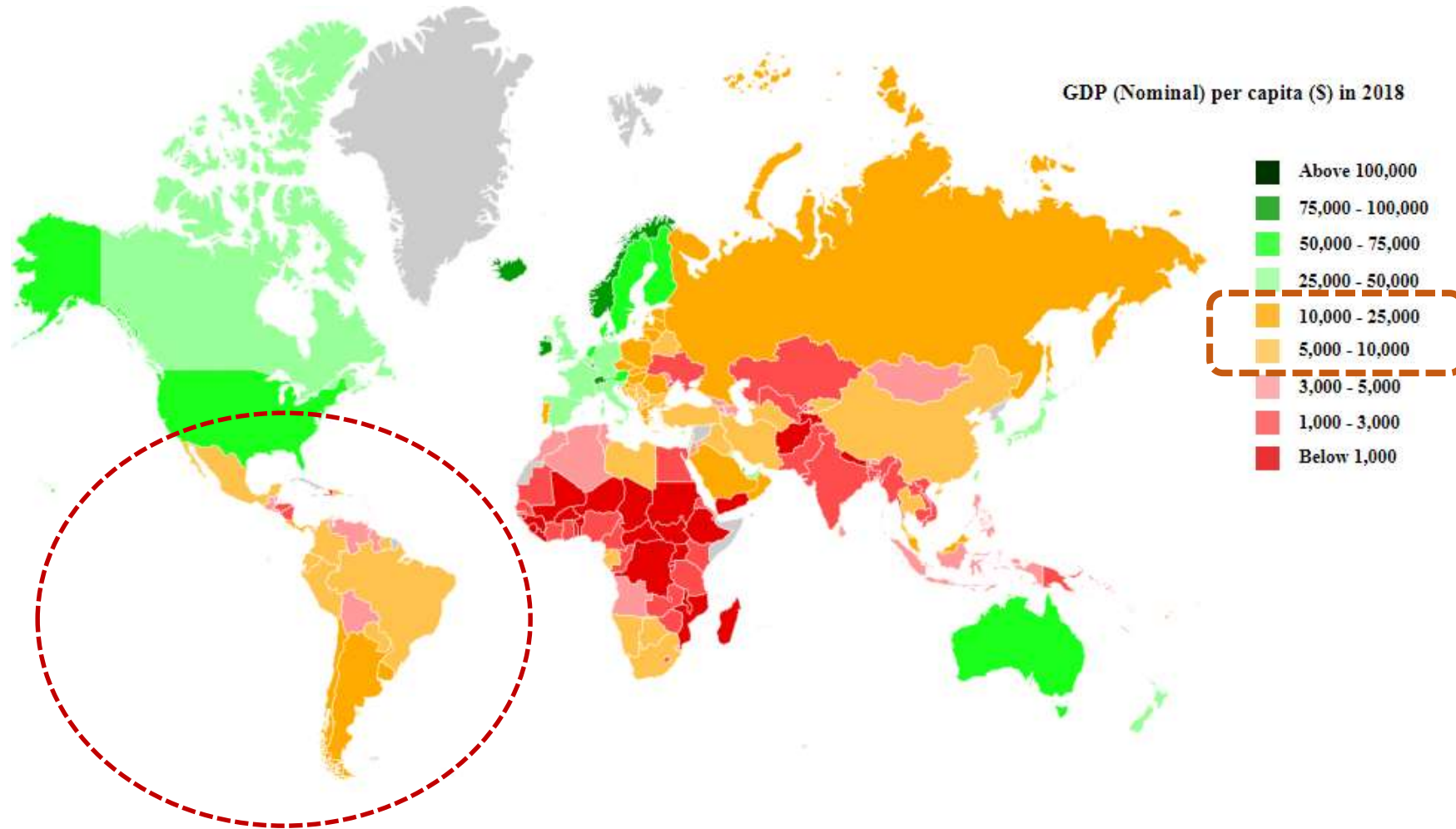
Álvaro Merino (2019)

Fuente:

Oficina de Drogas y Crimen de las Naciones Unidas (2019)



LAC is mainly a MIC (Middle-Income Countries) “doing-cooperation” environment



Source: https://www.reddit.com/r/MapPorn/comments/cxmthg/map_of_gdp_per_capita_by_country/







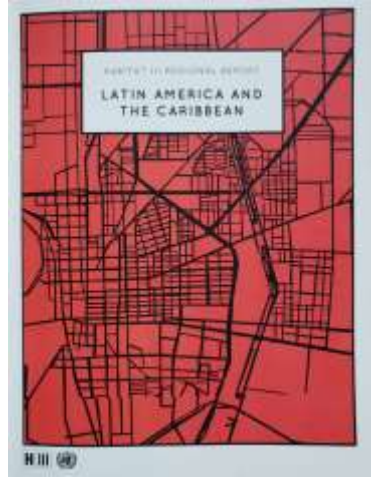
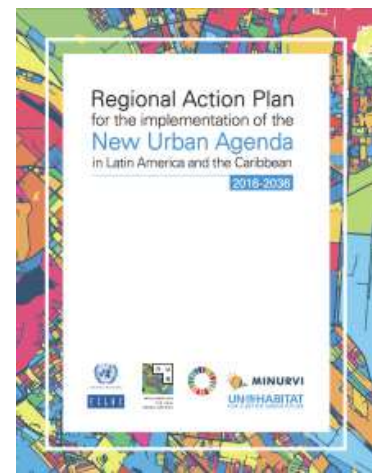
Figure 1. Interlinkages between SDG 11 and other SDGs



Regional references



Declarations of last Assemblies since 2016
(Asunción, Buenos Aires (x2), San José)







Implementing New Urban Agenda and SDGs in LAC
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Consequences of violence in the cities from the point of
view of investors

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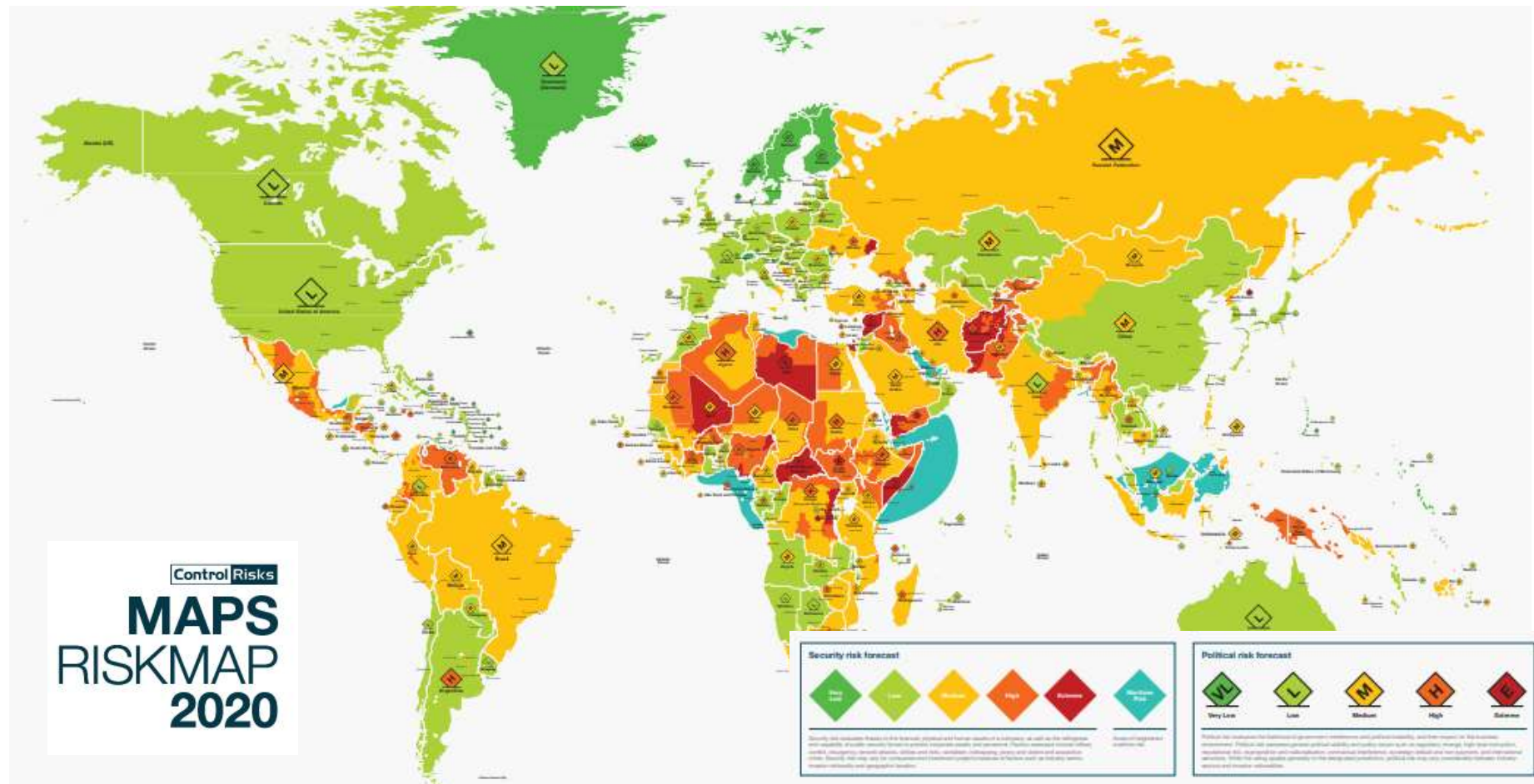
Consequences of violence in cities from investors' perspectives

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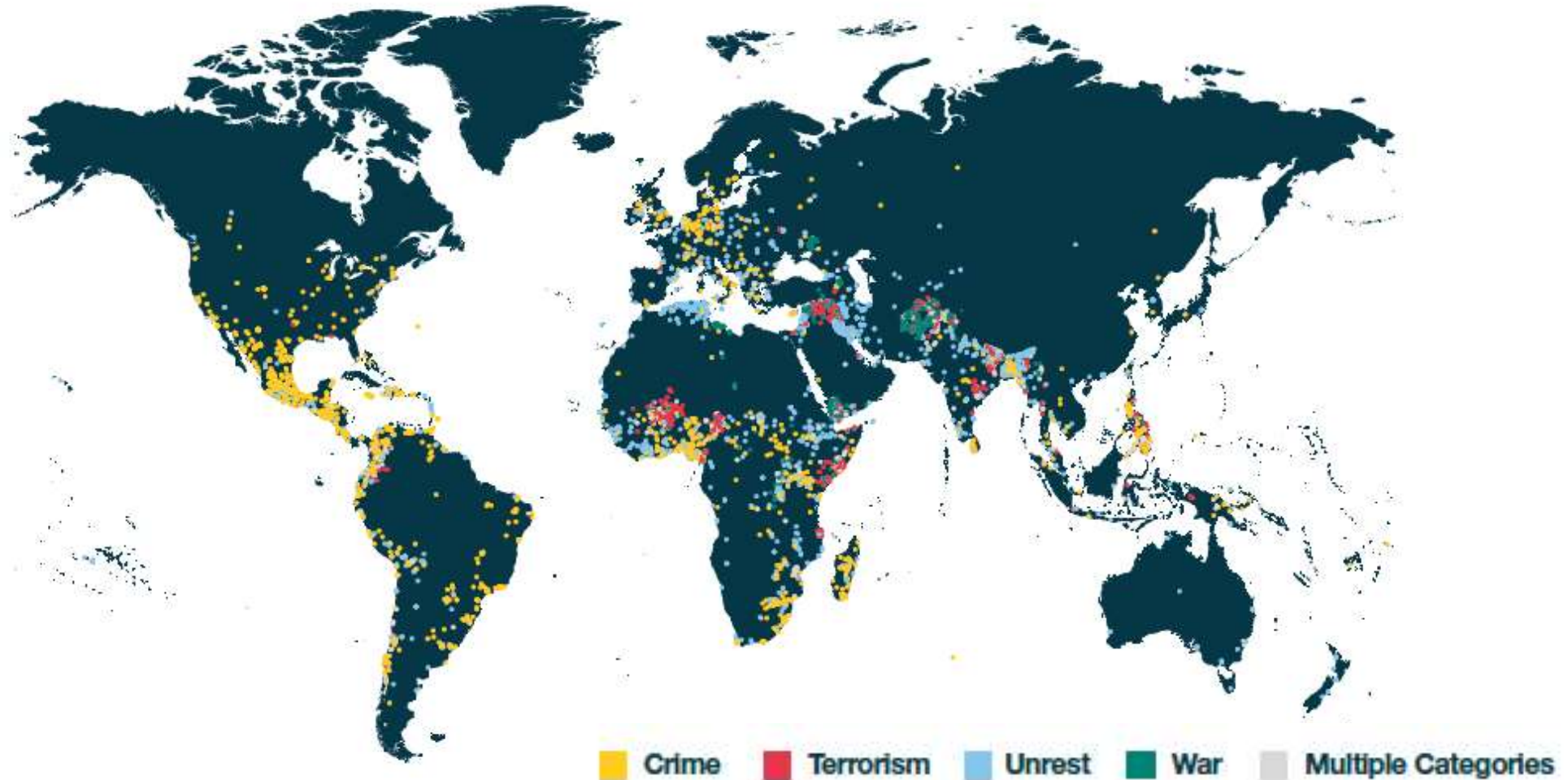


► Security in Latin America – a global perspective



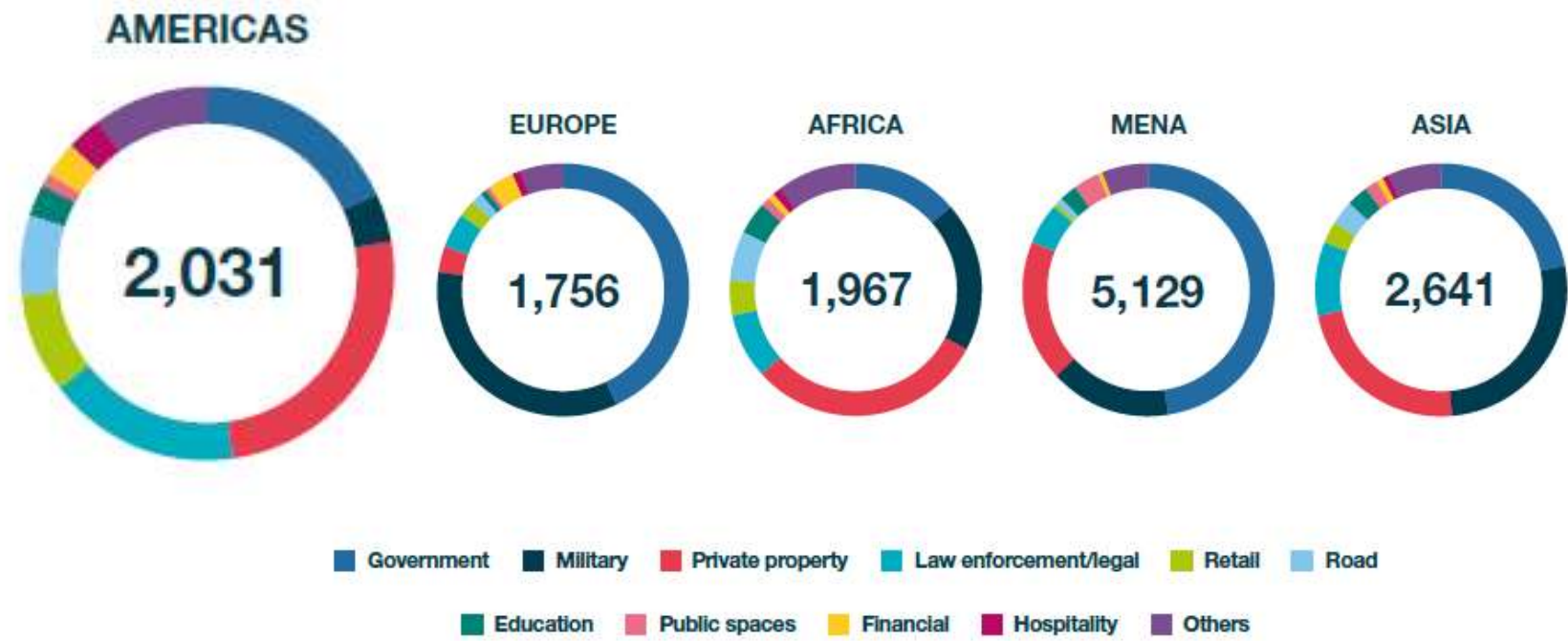
► Distribution of incidents – 4Q 2019

core | Incident Report



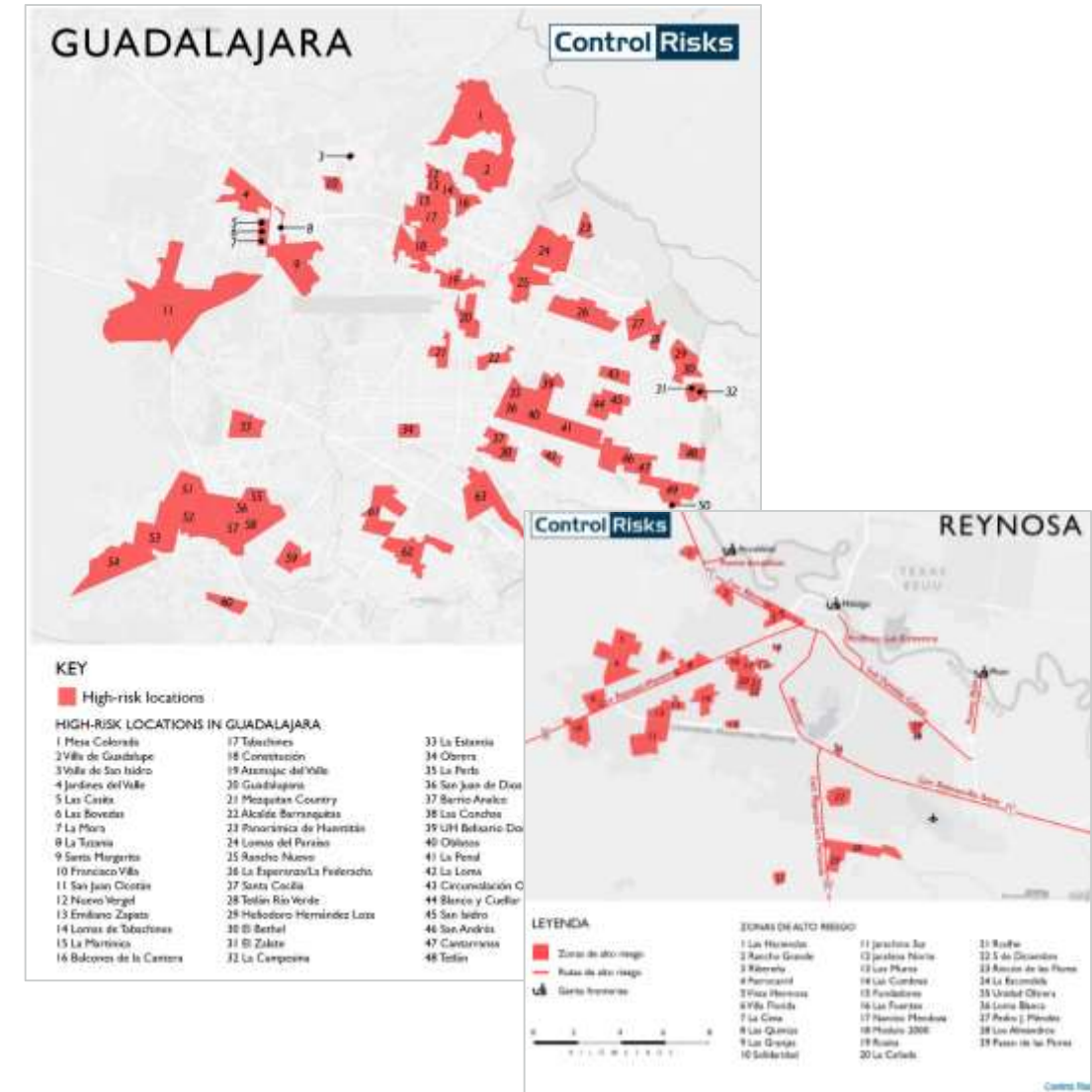
Incidents by target sector – 4Q 2019

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► Violence in Latin American Cities

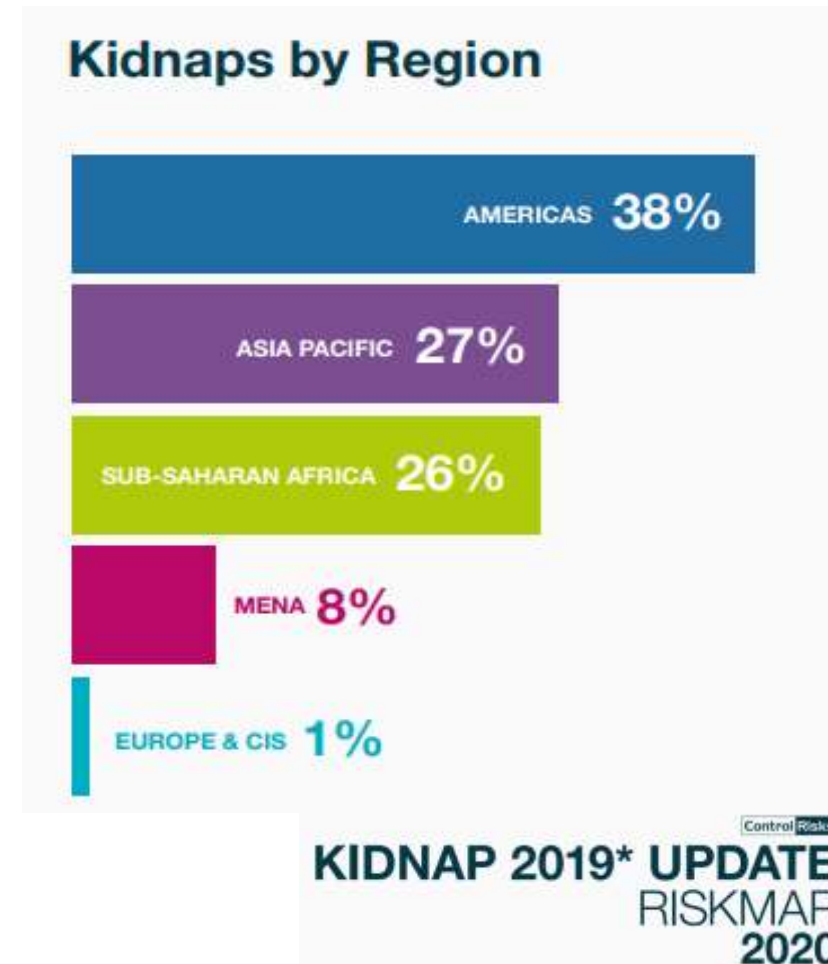
- Different type of cities – different types of criminality and violence
- Different types of operations – different risks associated
- Similar characteristics of Latin American Cities
 - Unequal cities
 - Proliferation of firearms
 - Low reliability of security forces
 - Inefficient judicial systems
 - No-governance areas



▶ Common vs. high impact crime in Latin America

- ▶ Common crime
 - ◆ Violent and non-violent theft

- ▶ High impact crime
 - ◆ Kidnaping
 - ◆ Express kidnapping
 - ◆ Extortion



► Organised crime in Latin America

- Drug-related organised crime
- Diversification of operations
- Turf wars
- Local markets become profitable
- Common criminality
- Fluid dynamics



► Multinational versus small and medium organisations in Latin America

- Security layers
- Access to decision makers
- Access to cash
- Security resources
- Intelligence gathering
- Strategic planning
- Leverage with security forces



► An investor’s perspective



Evaluation

- Risk appetite

Planning

- Detailed threat and risk assessment

Operations

- Preventative and reactive measures



COLOMBIA



Show: Zones Sub Ratings

POLITICAL STABILITY	REGULATORY	CONTRACT	INTEGRITY	SOVEREIGN	INSTITUTIONAL	INFRASTRUCTURE	LABOUR	CRIME	TERRORISM	WAR	CIVIL UNREST	KIDNAP	CYBER EXTORTION	DATA LEAK/DEFACEMENT/DDOS	DISRUPTIVE ATTACK	ESPIONAGE	FINANCIAL FRAUD	
POLITICAL					OPERATIONAL			SECURITY				CYBER				TRAVEL		
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Areas affected by guerrilla activity, including border areas with Venezuela, Ecuador																		
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► Risk-based security planning

Threats



Assets



People



Physical assets



Processes



Information



Reputation



Risks

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Q&As

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