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CARIBBEAN BASIN: POPULATION AND COUNTRY STATISTICS

<u>Country or Region</u>	<u>Population (millions)</u>
Mexico	73.8
Central America (6)	20.8
Guatemala	7.2
El Salvador	5.0
Honduras	3.7
Nicaragua	2.5
Costa Rica	2.3
Belize	.1
Panama	2
Caribbean (14 independent countries and 11 dependent entities)	28.61
Cuba	9.9
Haiti	6.05
Dominican Republic	6.01
Jamaica	2.2
Trinidad & Tobago	1.1
Guyana	.9
Suriname	.35
Barbados	.25
Bahamas	.24
St. Lucia	.12
St. Vincent	.12
Grenada	.11
Dominica	.08
Antigua	.08
Dependent Entities	1.1
South America (10)	252
Brazil	127.7
Argentina	28.6
Colombia	27.0
Peru	18.6
Venezuela	18.4
Chile	11.3
Ecuador	8.5
Bolivia	5.6
Paraguay	3.3
Uruguay	3.0
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	377.21 TOTAL

OVERVIEW OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL IMPROVEMENTS IN CENTRAL AMERICA
1960-1978

Country	Population		Adult Literacy		Life Expectancy		Economic Growth** (% Increase in Real GNP)
	1960 million	1980	1960 percent	1980*	1960	1980*	1960-1977
COSTA RICA	1.2	2.2	NA	88	62	70.0	+5.7
EL SALVADOR	2.4	4.7	49	62	50	63	+5.3
GUATEMALA	3.8	7.3	31.5	46	47	57	+5.7
HONDURAS	1.8	3.7	45	57	46	57	+7.8
PANAMA	1.1	1.9	73	78	62	70	+6.3
NICARAGUA	1.4	2.6	NA	57	47	55	+6.2

AVERAGE INCREASE FROM
1960 - 1980:

10 years

11%

*Represents 1980 or estimate of most recent year

**Since 1978, the combination of global economic problems and increased guerrilla violence and terrorism have combined to bring about far lower economic growth.

Chart from the NIO/LA compendium

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GROWTH IN THE ARMED EXTREME LEFT IN CENTRAL AMERICA 1960-1982 (U)

	<u>1960-1970</u>	<u>1971-1977</u>	<u>1978</u>	<u>1979</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1981</u>	<u>1982</u>
	<u>Armed Extreme Left</u>	<u>Armed Extreme Left</u>	<u>Armed Extreme Left</u>	<u>Armed Extreme Left</u>	<u>Armed Extreme Left</u>	<u>Armed Extreme Left</u>	<u>Armed Extreme Left</u>
TOTAL:	750	1,200	3,450	7,500	5,500	7,600	7,700
Nicaragua	150	300	2,000	4,500			
<u>Current Targets</u>							
El Salvador	0	300	850	2,000	3,500	4,500	4,500
Guatemala	600	600	600	1,000	2,000	3,000	3,000
Honduras	0	0	some	some	some	100	200
Costa Rica	some	some	some	some	some	some	some
SUB-TOTAL:	600	900	1,450	3,000	5,500	7,600	7,700