

# COUNTRY PROFILE

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## COSTA RICA

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<b>Subregion</b>	Central America	
<b>Income group</b>	Upper middle income	

### PEOPLE

Population (millions) <sup>1</sup>	4.81 (2015)	5.41 (2030)
Urban <sup>2</sup>	77% (2015)	85% (2030)
Rural <sup>2</sup>	23% (2015)	15% (2030)
Population growth <sup>1</sup> (annual)	1.0% (2015)	0.6% (2030)
Human Development Index rank <sup>3</sup>	69/188 High human development	
Languages <sup>19</sup>	Spanish (official), English	
Religion <sup>19</sup>	Roman Catholic 76.3%, Evangelical 13.7%, Jehovah's Witness 1.3%, other Protestant 0.7%, other 4.8%, none 3.2%	
Ethnic composition <sup>19</sup>	White or mestizo 83.6%, mulato 6.7%, indigenous 2.4%, black of African descent 1.1%, other 1.1%, none 2.9%, unspecified 2.2% (2011 est.)	

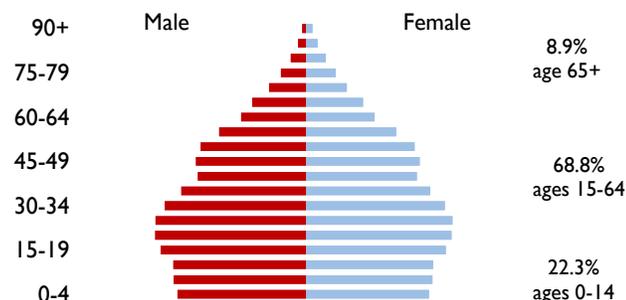
### GOVERNMENT

Capital <sup>19</sup>	San Jose
Government type <sup>19</sup>	Presidential republic
Head of State/Govt <sup>19</sup>	President Luis Guillermo SOLIS Rivera (since 8 May 2014)
Legislature <sup>19</sup>	Unicameral Legislative Assembly or Asamblea Legislativa
Females in Parliament <sup>4</sup>	33% (2015)
Corruption Perceptions Index rank <sup>5</sup>	40/167 (2015)
Land area (sq km) <sup>7</sup>	51,060 (2X the size of Vermont)

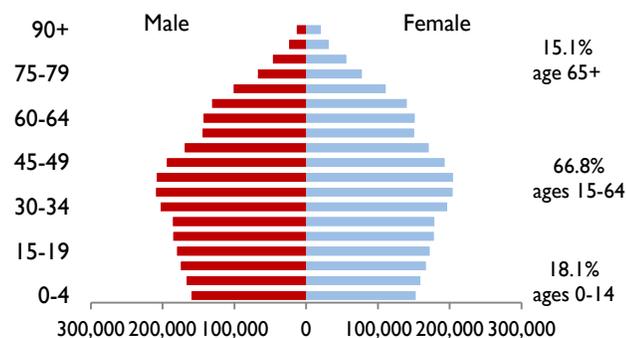
### OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

From all donors (US\$ millions, net) <sup>8</sup>	\$53.5 (2014)
as % of income <sup>7</sup>	0.11% (2014)
per capita <sup>18</sup>	\$11.2 (2014)
From U.S. (US\$ millions) <sup>8</sup>	\$9.1 (2014)

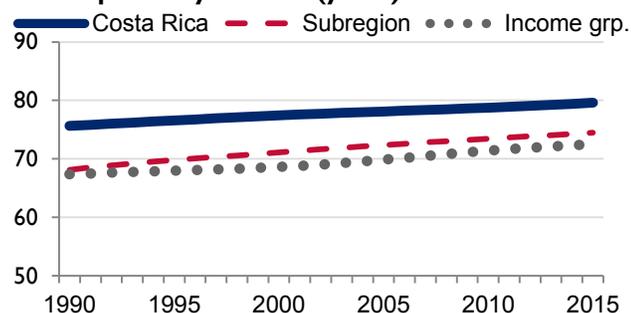
### 2015 population<sup>1</sup>



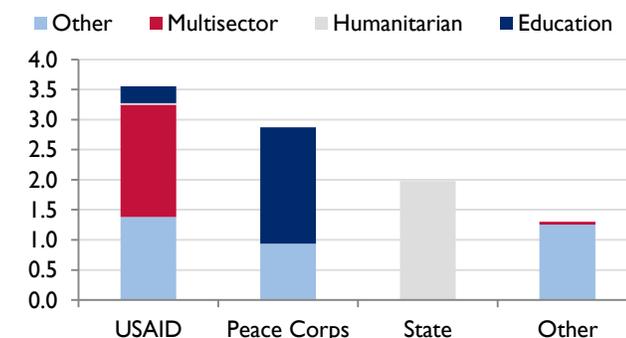
### 2030 population<sup>1</sup>



### Life expectancy at birth (years)<sup>1</sup>



### U.S. ODA by agency (US\$ millions, gross), 2014<sup>18</sup>



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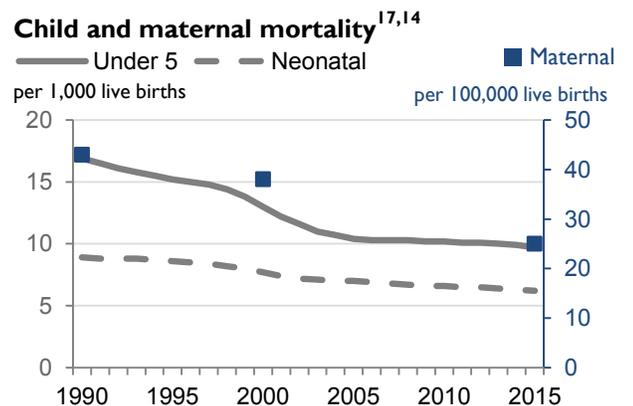
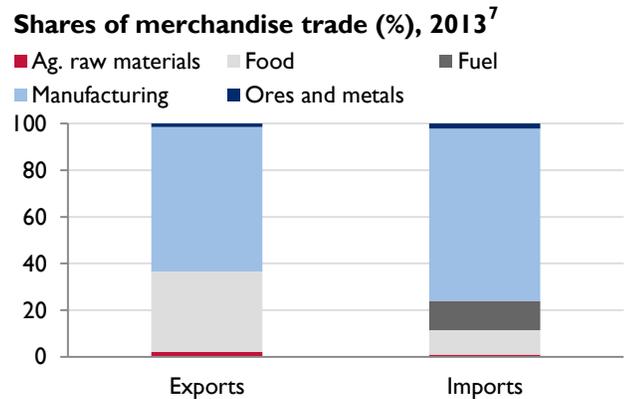
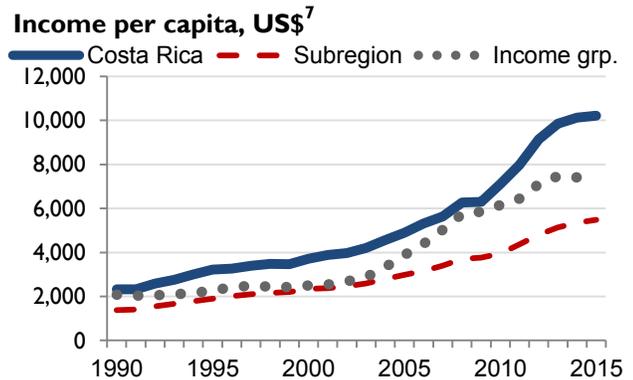
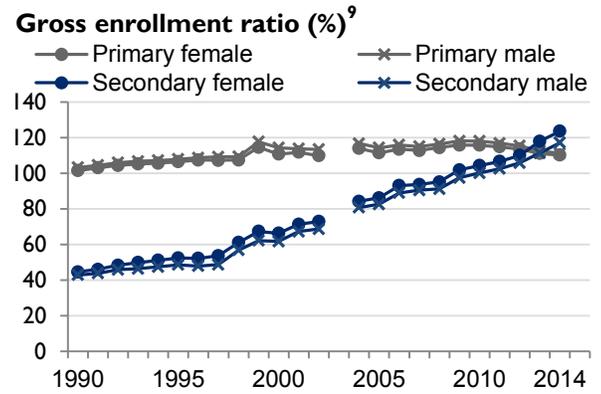
Completion rate, primary gross <sup>7</sup>	98.7%	(2014)
Female completion rate <sup>7</sup>	98.5%	(2014)
Male completion rate <sup>7</sup>	99.0%	(2014)
Pupil-teacher ratio, primary <sup>9</sup>	13	(2014)
Pupil-teacher ratio, secondary <sup>9</sup>	14	(2014)
Public education expenditure (% of GDP) <sup>9</sup>	7.0%	(2014)
Youth literacy rate (ages 15-24) <sup>7</sup>	99%	(2015)
Children out of school, primary <sup>7</sup>	15,638	(2014)
Of which, female <sup>7</sup>	49%	(2014)
Of which, male <sup>7</sup>	51%	(2014)

**ECONOMY**

GDP (US\$ millions) <sup>7</sup>	\$51,107	(2015)
GDP growth (annual %) <sup>7</sup>	2.8%	(2015)
10-year average <sup>7</sup>	4.2%	(2015)
Merchandise exports (US\$ millions) <sup>10</sup>	\$12,431	(2015)
Merchandise imports (US\$ millions) <sup>10</sup>	\$15,125	(2015)
Percent of population living under \$1.90/day <sup>7</sup>	1.6%	(2014)
Share of income going to the poorest 20% <sup>11</sup>	4%	(2013)
OECD average <sup>11</sup>	8%	(2013)
Share of income going to the richest 20% <sup>11</sup>	56%	(2013)
OECD average <sup>11</sup>	42%	(2013)
Youth unemployment (ages 15-24) <sup>7</sup>	19.2%	(2014)
Annual inflation <sup>12</sup>	0.8%	(2015)

**HEALTH**

Prevalence of HIV (ages 15-49) <sup>13</sup>	0.3%	(2015)
Antiretroviral coverage (% of adults 15+ meeting WHO guidelines) <sup>7</sup>	56%	(2015)
Prevalence of TB (per 100,000 population) <sup>14</sup>	14	(2014)
Deaths from malaria (per 100,000 population) <sup>14</sup>	0	(2013)
Prevalence of stunting (% of children under 5) <sup>15</sup>	n/a	
DPT3 immunization rate (children aged one) <sup>15</sup>	n/a	
Fertility rate (children per woman) <sup>15</sup>	n/a	
Modern contraceptive prevalence <sup>15</sup>	n/a	
Births attended by skilled health worker <sup>15</sup>	n/a	
Improved water source (% of population) <sup>4</sup>	98%	(2015)
Public health expenditure (% of GDP) <sup>16</sup>	7%	(2014)



SOURCES: <sup>1</sup>UN, World Population Prospects; <sup>2</sup>UN, World Urbanization Prospects; <sup>3</sup>UNDP, Human Development Report; <sup>4</sup>UN, Millennium Development Goals Indicators; <sup>5</sup>Transparency International, Corruption Perceptions Index and Bribe Payers Index; <sup>6</sup>Mo Ibrahim Foundation, Index of African Governance; <sup>7</sup>World Bank, World Development Indicators; <sup>8</sup>OECD/DAC, Destination of Official Development Assistance and Official Aid - Disbursements (Table 2a); <sup>9</sup>UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS) Database; <sup>10</sup>IMF, Direction of Trade Statistics; <sup>11</sup>Population Reference Bureau, World Population Data Sheet; <sup>12</sup>IMF, World Economic Outlook Database; <sup>13</sup>UNAIDS, Report on the Global HIV/AIDS Epidemic; <sup>14</sup>WHO, World Health Statistics; <sup>15</sup>Demographic and Health Surveys, STATcompiler; <sup>16</sup>WHO, Global Health Expenditure Database; <sup>17</sup>UN Inter-agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation, Child Mortality Estimates; <sup>18</sup>OECD/DAC, Creditor Reporting System (CRS++); <sup>19</sup>CIA, World Factbook; World Bank, Country and Lending Groups.