

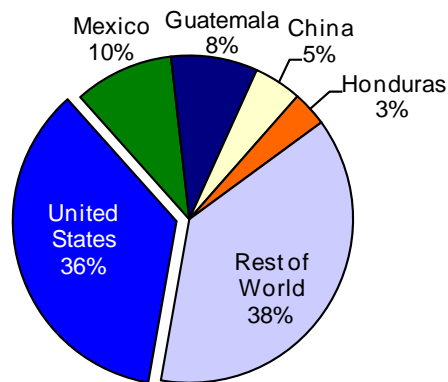


The United States Contributes to Economic Prosperity in El Salvador

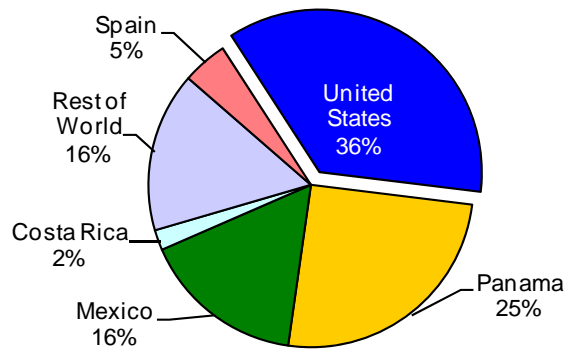


- In 2007, U.S. direct investment in El Salvador reached \$1.4 billion (BEA, *Survey of Current Business*, Sept. 2008); this is equivalent to 6.8 percent of El Salvador's GDP of \$20.4 billion (World Bank, *World Development Indicators*).
- The Peace Corps currently has approximately 153 volunteers working throughout El Salvador; since 1963, 1,858 volunteers have aided communities in El Salvador
- The Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) provided over \$2.1 million in finance and insurance funds in 2007.
- The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) provided over \$23.9 million in aid to El Salvador in 2008.
- In 2006 the Millennium Challenge Corporation committed over \$461 million to El Salvador for development projects.
- The United States purchased approximately 51 percent of El Salvador's total merchandise exports in 2007 (World Trade Atlas).
- U.S. merchandise exports to El Salvador grew from \$1.4 billion in 1997 to \$2.3 billion in 2007, an increase of 65 percent (U.S. Census Bureau).
- In 2007 over \$3.7 billion in remittance money was sent by Salvadorans living abroad (Inter-American Development Bank).

Total Market Share the United States Represents for El Salvador's Merchandise Exports - 2007



Net Inflows of Foreign Investment in El Salvador (as % of total) 1998-2007



United States Trade in Goods with El Salvador

