



COVID-19 Observatory in Latin America and the Caribbean

Economic and social impact



**COVID-19
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The new global scenario in times of COVID-19 makes it necessary to take urgent measures and assess the impacts they will have. ECLAC has built this Observatory to support review and follow-up over the medium and long terms and at the request of CELAC. The Observatory tracks the public policies that the 33 countries of the Latin America and Caribbean region are implementing to limit the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, and offers analyses of the economic and social impacts that these policies will have at the national and sectoral levels.

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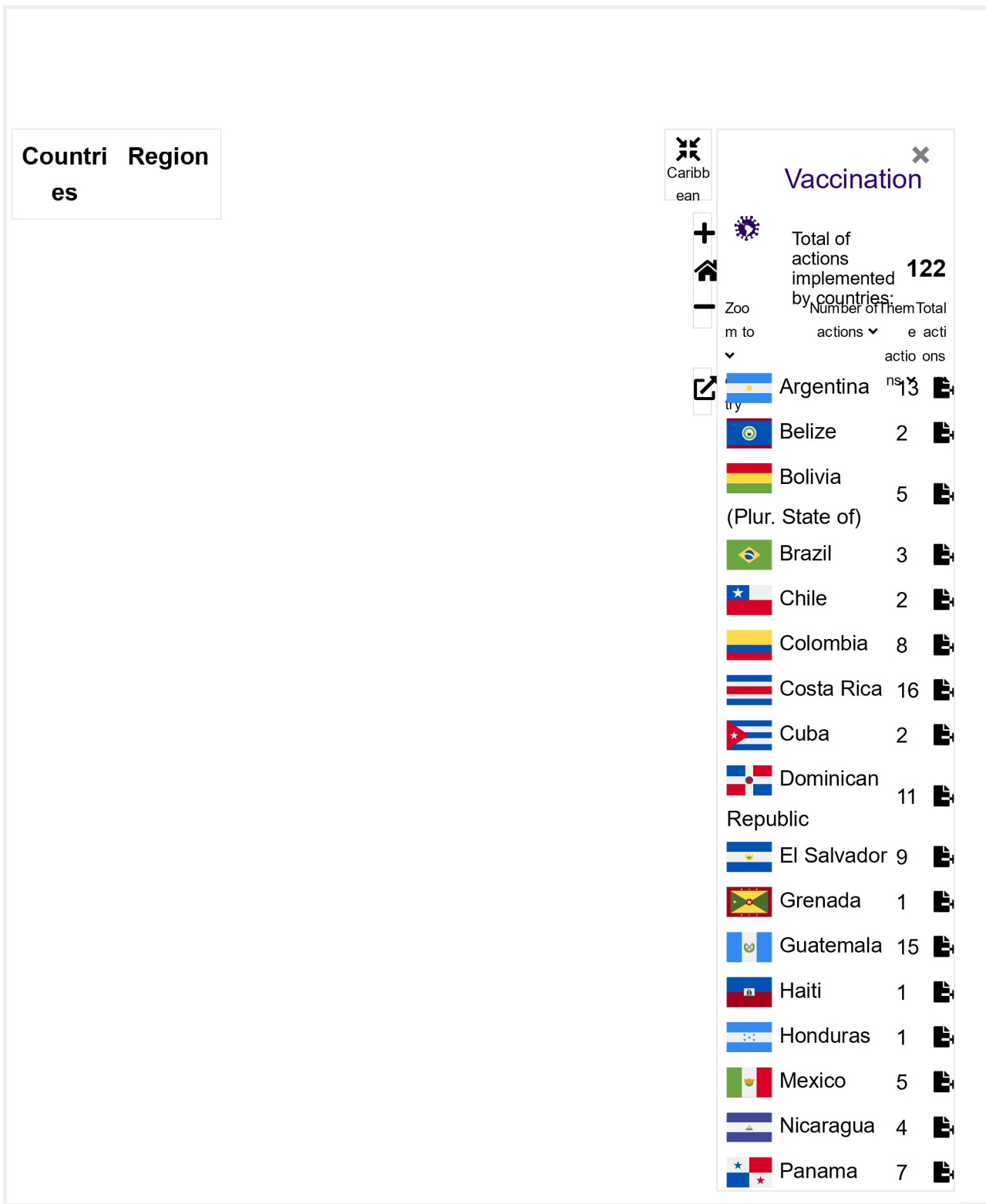
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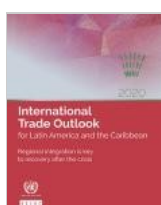
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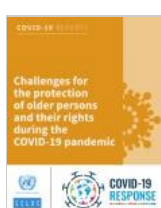
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Pandemic Prompts Rise in Poverty to Levels Unprecedented in Recent Decades and Sharply Affects Inequality and Employment

In a new annual report, ECLAC estimates that the total number of poor people rose to 209 million by the end of 2020, which is 22 million more people than in the previous year. In addition, it calls for creating a new welfare state.



PRESS RELEASE 22/01/2021

Latin America and the Caribbean's Foreign Trade Marks its Worst Performance since the Global Financial Crisis Due to the Pandemic

In a new annual report, ECLAC estimates that the value of regional exports fell -13% in 2020 and calls for deepening regional integration to drive the recovery, as well as to reduce gender inequalities in trade.

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