

## Subnational Area Profile

**Country:** Panama  
**Region:** Area Oriental  
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This GDL Area Profile Report provides an overview of the major social and economic characteristics of the region or country. The figures are derived from the most recent national household survey available at the Global Data Lab. These and many other indicators can also be downloaded freely from the [GDL Area Database](#). Further information on the indicators is available at the bottom of this report and at the GDL website.

Level of development	Value	Trend	National rank	LMIC decile	Year
International Wealth Index (IWI) value <sup>1</sup>	80.9	1.66 ↑	14 / 16	( 8 )	2012

Poverty	Value	Trend	National rank	LMIC decile	Year
Percentage poor households (IWI value under 70)	18.1	-2.77 ↓	2 / 16	( 3 )	2012
Percentage poorer households (IWI value under 50)	9.49	-2.47 ↓	6 / 16	( 4 )	2012
Percentage poorest households (IWI value under 35)	5.77	-1.42 ↓	6 / 16	( 5 )	2012

Education	Value	Trend	National rank	LMIC decile	Year
Mean years education population aged 20+	10.7	0.15 ↑	14 / 16	( 10 )	2012
Mean years education of women aged 20+	10.6	0.16 ↑	13 / 16	( 10 )	2012
Mean years education of men aged 20+	10.8	0.14 ↑	15 / 16	( 10 )	2012

Position of women	Value	Trend	National rank	LMIC decile	Year
Percentage of women in 50+ population	50.4	0.40 ↑	8 / 16	( 4 )	2012

Asset ownership	Value	Trend	National rank	LMIC decile	Year
Percentage households with a TV	97.0	1.73 ↑	15 / 16	( 9 )	2012
Percentage households with a refrigerator	91.4	2.56 ↑	15 / 16	( 9 )	2012
Percentage households with a washing machine	83.7	2.25 ↑	3 / 4	( 8 )	2012
Percentage households with a motorbike	4.36	-0.91 ↓	13 / 16	( 3 )	2012
Percentage households with a computer	26.5	0.93 ↑	7 / 16	( 8 )	2012

Access to public services	Value	Trend	National rank	LMIC decile	Year
Percentage households with a phone	88.4	2.26 ↑	11 / 16	( 6 )	2012
Percentage households with internet access	31.2	-	13 / 16	( 8 )	2012

Population	Value	Trend	National rank	LMIC decile	Year
Total area population in millions	0.87	0.02 ↑	14 / 16	( 5 )	2012
Share of national population living in area	23.1	0.24 ↑	14 / 16	( 10 )	2012
Average household size	2.93	-0.08 ↓	2 / 16	( 1 )	2012
Percentage population in urban areas	67.9	0.72 ↑	13 / 16	( 8 )	2012

Meaning of the menu items: **Value:** Indicator value in GDL Area Database. **Trend:** Average yearly change in indicator value since preceding survey. **National rank:** Within-country rank on indicator (1 is highest value within country). **Continent rank:** Within continent rank on indicator (continents are America, Africa, Asia/Pacific and (Eastern) Europe). **LMIC decile:** Decile position on indicator among 1300+ regions within 125+ low and middle income countries.

The indicators presented in this GDL Profile Report are created by aggregating to the sub-national and national level from representative household surveys. Detailed information on the data and methods used is available [here](#) and in [Smits \(2016\)](#).

1. The International Wealth Index (IWI) is an asset-based index that measures the economic situation of households in LMICs on the basis of their ownership of assets, housing quality and access to public services. IWI runs from 0 to 100, with 0 meaning none of the assets and lowest quality housing and services and 100 all assets and highest quality housing and services ([Smits & Steendijk, 2015](#)).

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