

Belize

Latin America & Caribbean		Upper middle income	
Population (thousands, 2006)	297	Surface area (1,000 sq. km, 2006)	23
Population growth (avg. annual %, 1997–2006)	2.9	GNI (\$ billions, 2006)	1
Population density (people per sq. km, 2006)	13	GNI per capita, Atlas method (\$, 2006)	3,650
Labor force (thousands, 2006)	120	GDP growth (avg. annual %, 2002–2006)	5.2
Urban population (% of pop., 2006)	48.5	Poverty headcount ratio at national	
Age dependency ratio	0.68	poverty line (% of pop., 2004)	..

Emigration, 2005

- Stock of emigrants: 59,110
- Stock of emigrants as percentage of population: 21.9%
- Top 10 destination countries: United States, Canada, Mexico, United Kingdom, Bolivia, Guatemala, Honduras, Cayman Islands, Jamaica, Costa Rica.

Skilled Emigration, 2000

- Emigration rate of tertiary educated: 51.0%
- Emigration of physicians: 5 or 1.9% of physicians trained in the country

Immigration, 2005

- Stock of immigrants: 40,537
- Stock of immigrants as percentage of population: 15.0%
- Female as percentage of immigrants: 50.5%
- Refugees as percentage of immigrants: 1.7%
- Top 10 source countries: Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, United States, China, Canada, Jamaica, Nicaragua, India.

Remittances

(US\$ million)	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007e
Inward remittance flows	22	30	29	34	34	46	66*	66
<i>of which</i>								
Workers' remittances	23	26	25	30	31	41	58	..
Compensation of employees	2	2	2	2	2	4	6	..
Migrants' transfer	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	..
Outward remittance flows	11	17	17	20	19	20	22**	..
<i>of which</i>								
Workers' remittances	1	11	12	14	12	13	15	..
Compensation of employees	6	5	4	5	6	6	6	..
Migrants' transfer	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	..

* 5.4% of GDP in 2006. **1.8% of GDP in 2006. This table reports officially recorded remittances. The true size of remittances, including unrecorded flows through formal and informal channels, is believed to be larger. Total flows may not always equal the sum of the components as they may have been taken from alternative sources.

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