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The Puerto Rican Paradox

- An island that measures
 100 x 35 miles
- Population of 3.9 million people
- Unemployment rate of 11%

- Income per capita is 1/3 of US
- Average sales per square foot in PR malls is 23% > US



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World – renowned retailers have their highest revenue stores in PR

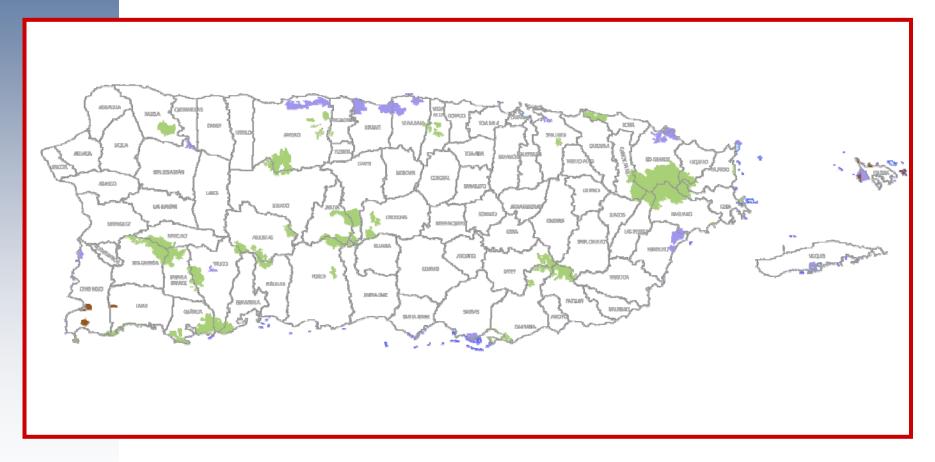
- JC Penney
- Sears
- Office Max
- Western Auto
- Pep Boys
- Blockbuster Video
- Taco Maker



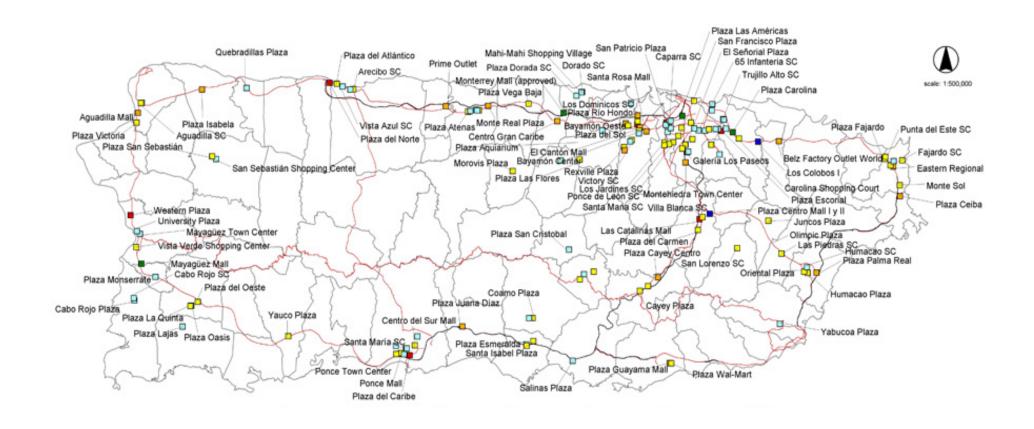
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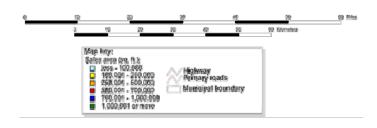


Natural Systems in Puerto Rico





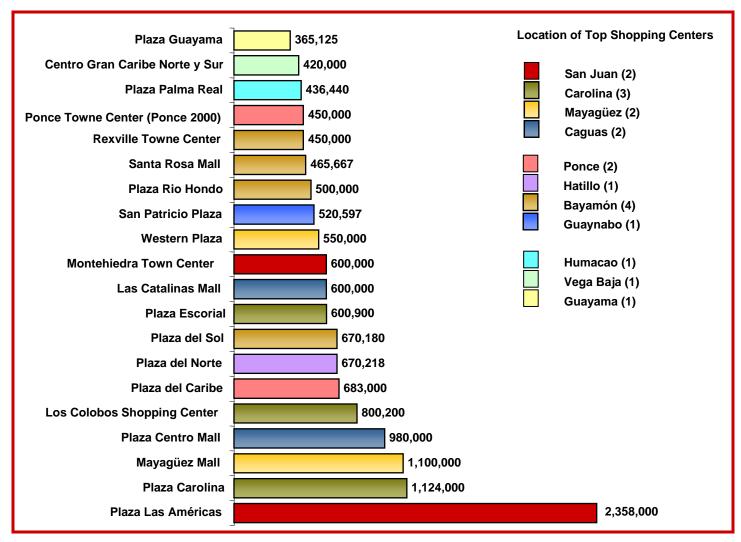




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Top 20 Shopping Centers in Puerto Rico (by square footage)

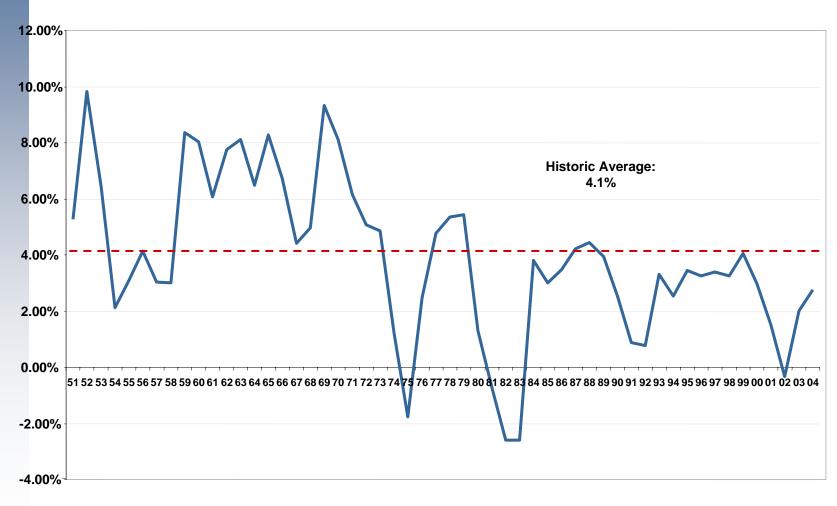




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Puerto Rico's Economy: Historic Growth

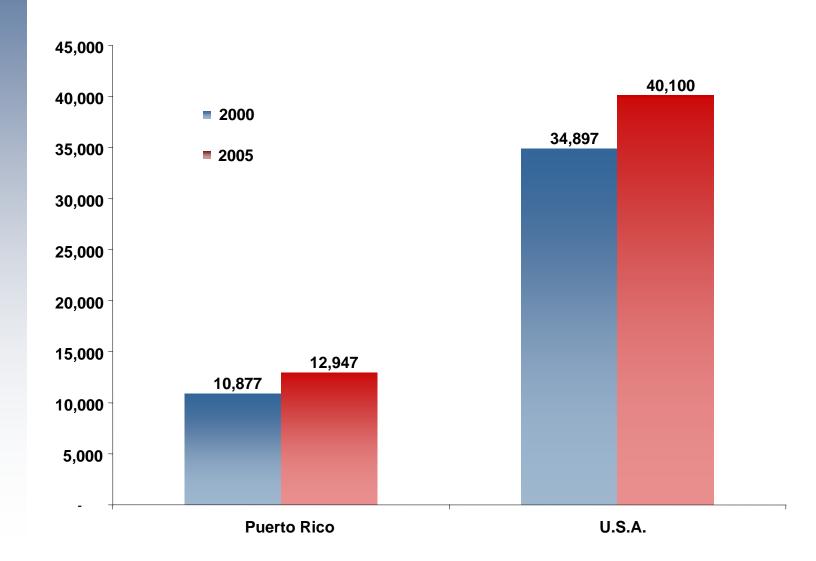




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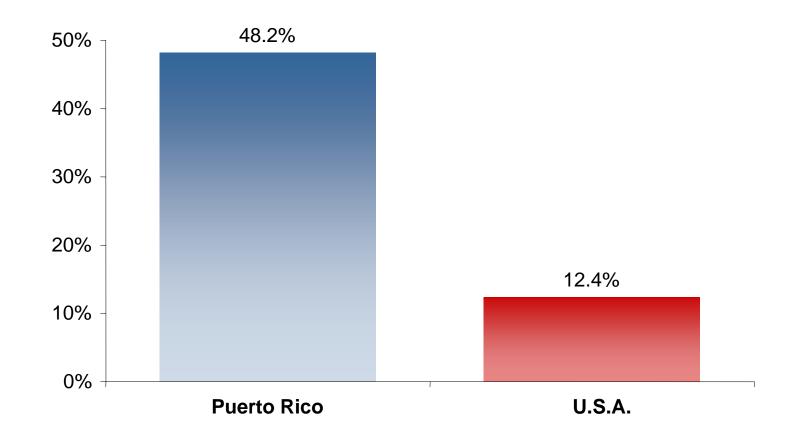
Per Capita Income 2000-2005





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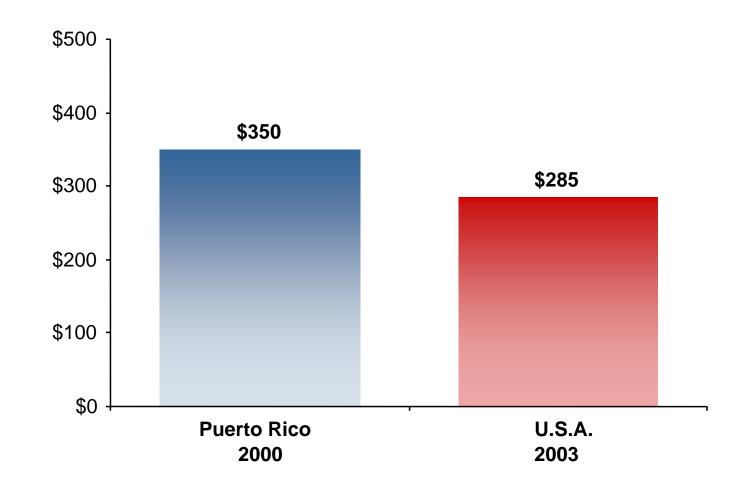




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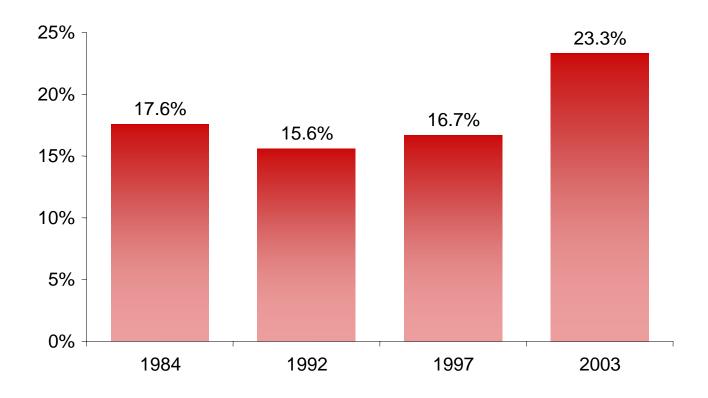
Shopping Centers – Sales per square foot





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Puerto Rico – Underground Economy Estimates

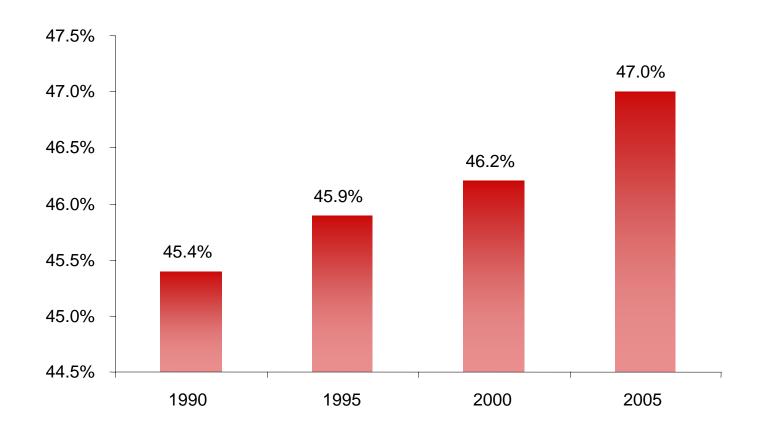




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Labor Force Participation Rate



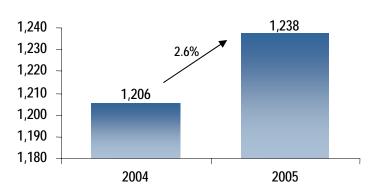


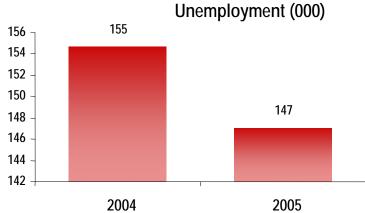
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July - February FY 2004 and 2005

Total Employment (000)

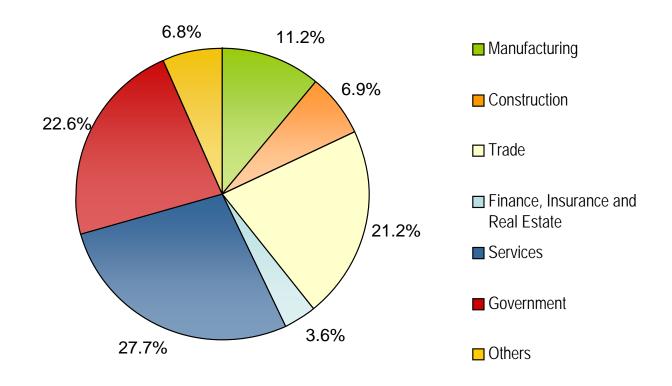






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Employment in Puerto Rico by Major Industrial Sector





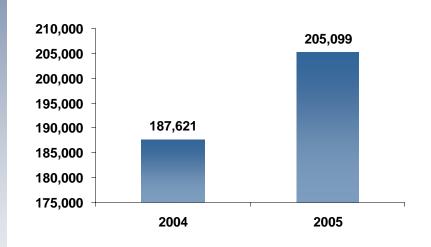
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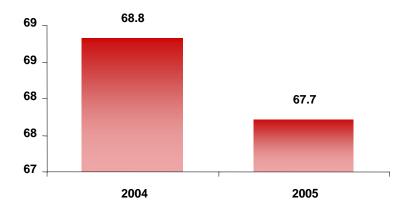
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* Tourism is approximately 6% of GNP.

Hotels Registration



Occupancy Rates



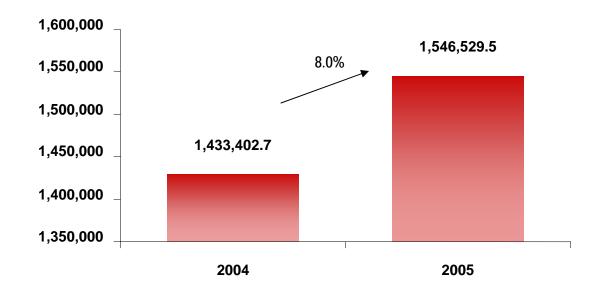


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FY 2004 and 2005

Retail Sales (000)



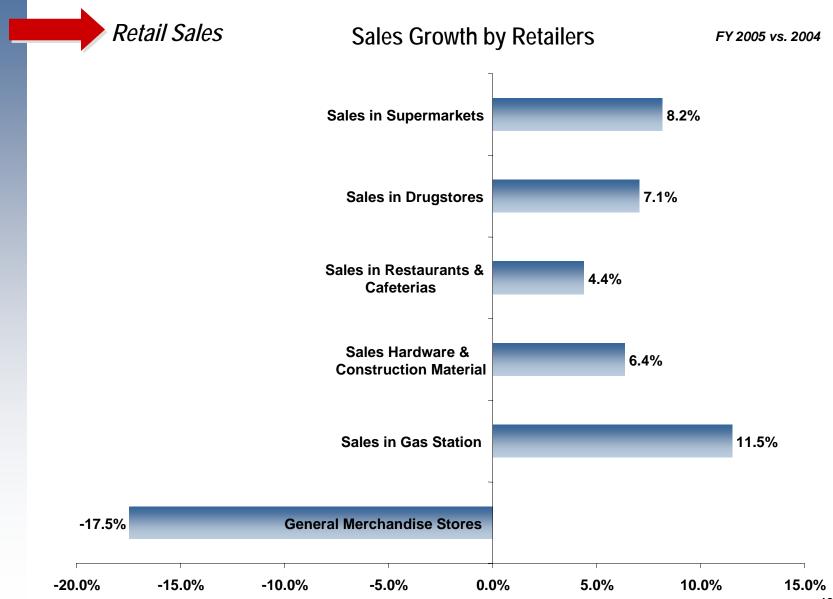


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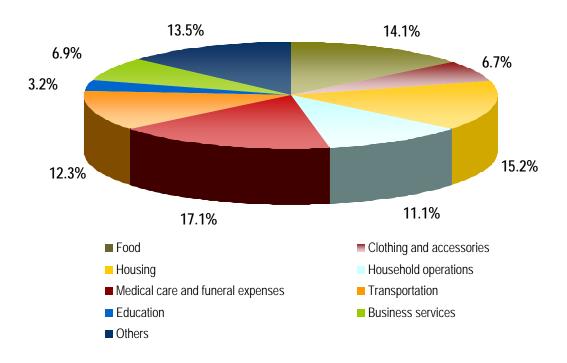




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Personal Consumption Expenditures



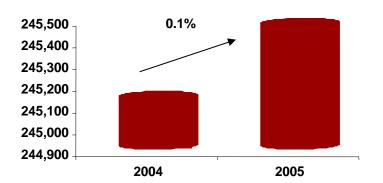


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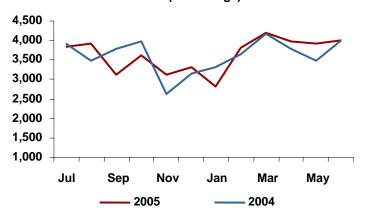


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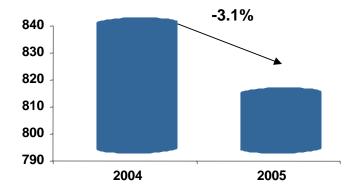
Value of construction permits (\$000)



Cement Sales In Puerto Rico Total (94 lbs bags)



Number of construction permits





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Demand for Housing

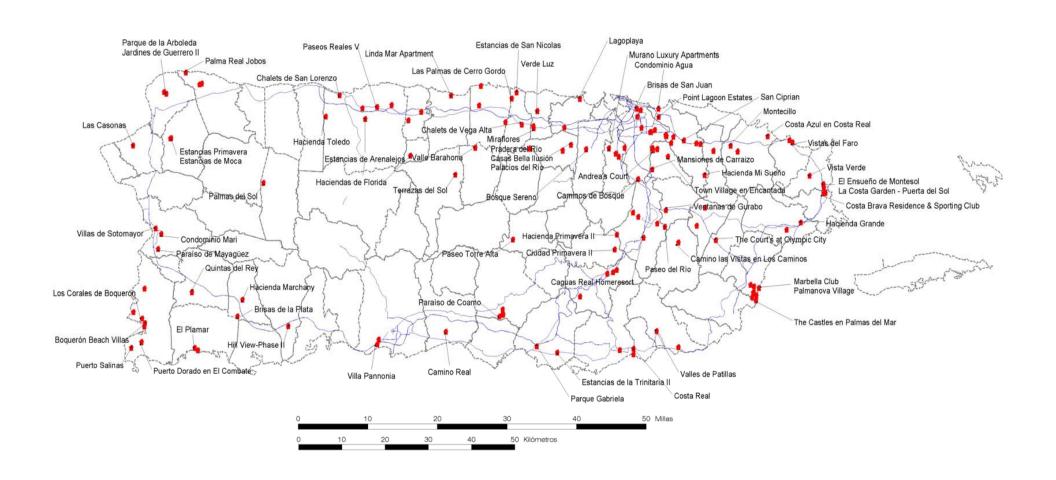
- Housing priced over \$300,000 is 11% of the total.
- Social interest housing is roughly
 50% of total demand.

Sales Distribution 2005-2009				
From	То	Units	%	
0	90,000	51,896	52.0%	
91,000	180,000	19,410	19.4%	
181,000	300,000	17,252	17.3%	
301,000	480,000	10,051	10.1%	
481,000	600,000	898	0.9%	
601,000	or more	294	0.3%	
		99,800	100.0%	

Mediar	n Price
Total	\$85,278
IN-MARKET	\$196,661



Active Residential Projects



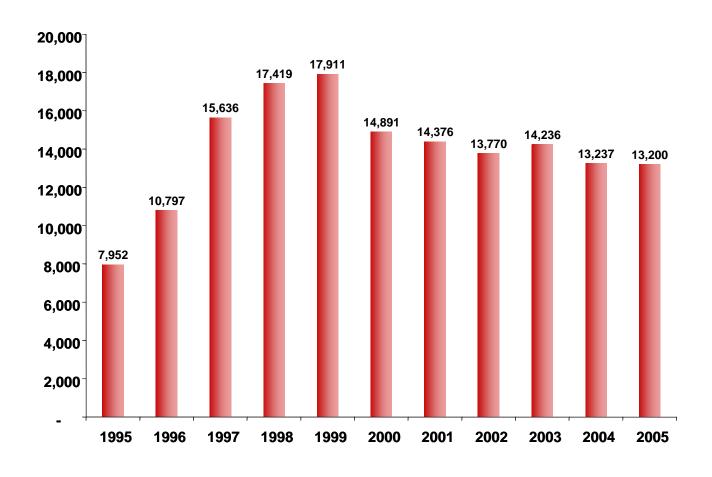


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Personal Bankruptcies

FY 2004 and 2005



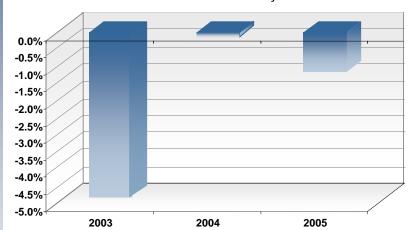


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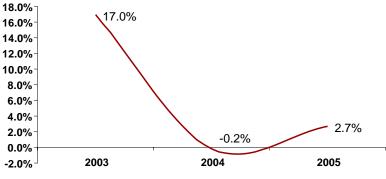
Manufacturing Employment

Annual Growth for fiscal years 2003 thru 2005



Growth of Merchandise Exports

in fiscal years 2003 thru 2005





Manufacturing continues to grow at a moderate pace. Employment in the sector is declining, but output, as indicated by merchandise exports, is growing at about 2.7% per year. This trend is expected to continue in the near term.

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16.0% 14.0% 12.0% 10.0% 8.0% 6.0% 4.0%

2.0%

0.0%

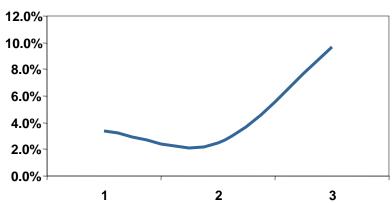
INFLATION

Annual Change of Consumer Price Index



2003 2004 2005

INFLATIONAnnual Change in Costs of Private Transportation



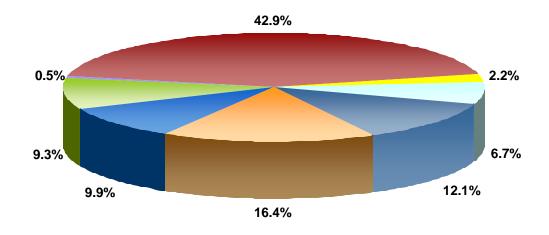


Inflation has risen sharply in the past twelve months, owing to the rise in energy costs. The outlook is for inflation to abate rapidly once oil prices start to recede. Within three years, inflation should be roughly the same as in the United States, or about 3% annually.

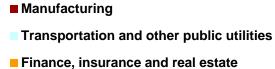
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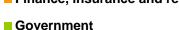


Gross Domestic Product by major industrial sector 2004





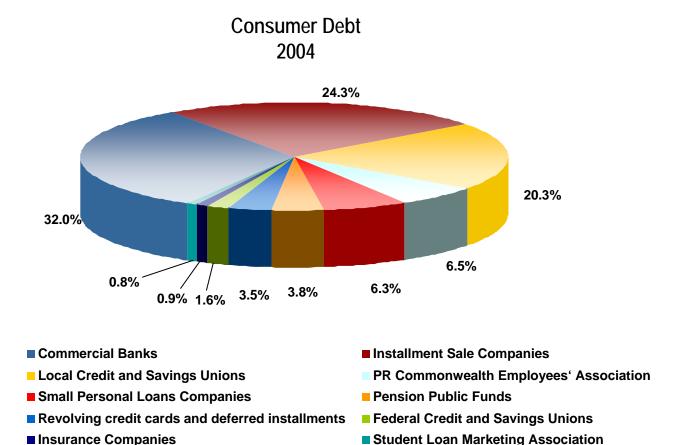






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Consumer Debt





Total consumer debt is approximately 42% of Personal Income

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Fiscal Situation in Puerto Rico

- Structural deficit around \$1.3 billion = 2.6% of GNP
 - Extraordinary growth in public expenditure
 - "Diminishing" income tax system
 - "Unhealthy" financing of the budget
- Downgrading by credit classifying agencies
- Governor's projects
 - Short term > transition measures
 - Medium and Long Term > Fiscal Reform
- Disconnection Executive / Legislature



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Changes in the Economic Context

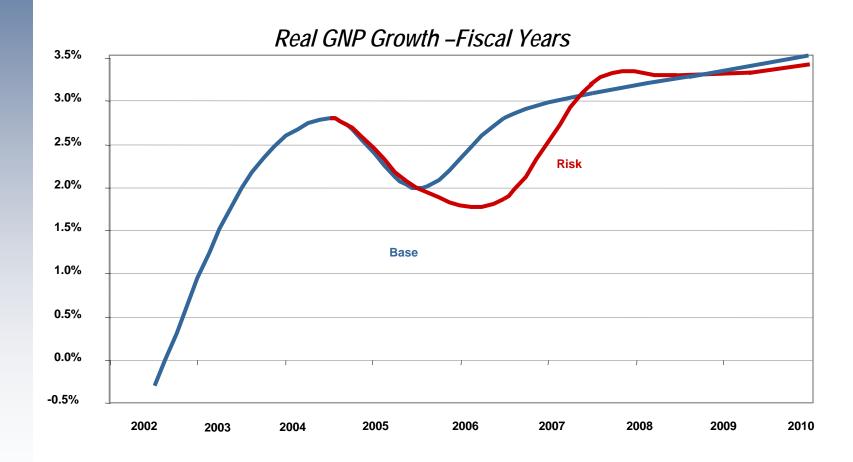




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Short Run Prospects

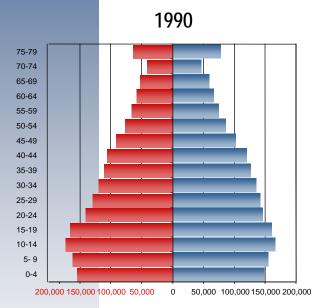




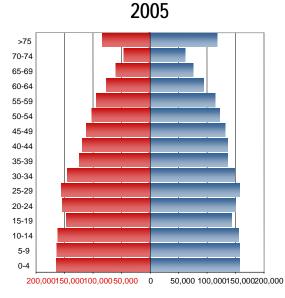
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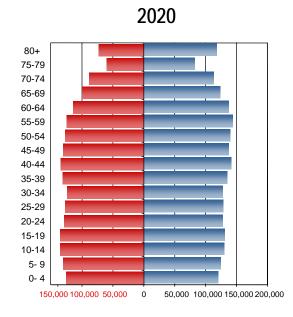


The Demographic Dimension



Age Composition of the Population



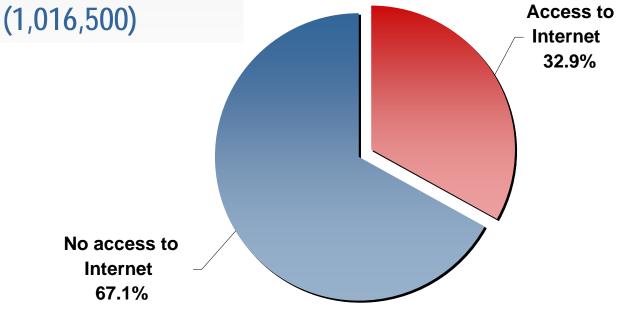




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Internet access in 2005 is 33% among persons 12+

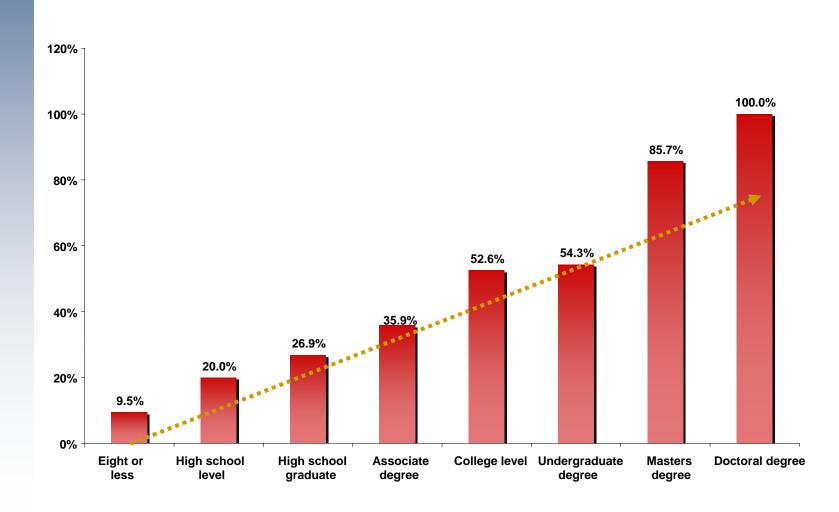




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Internet Incidence by Educational Level

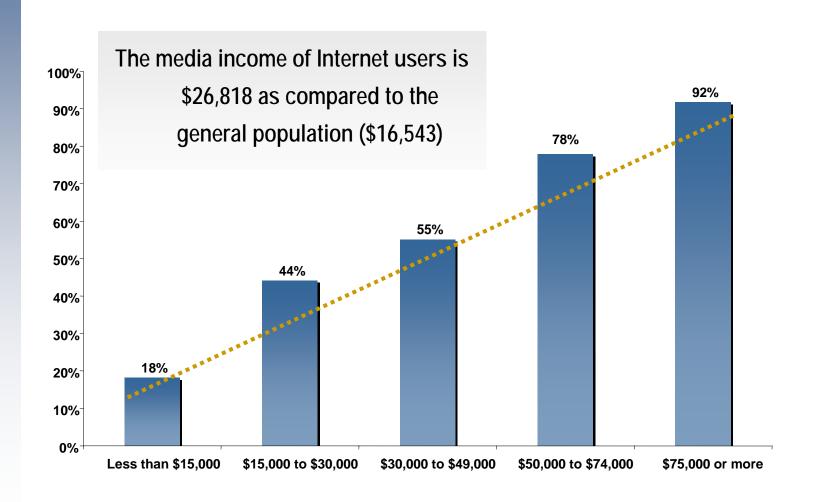




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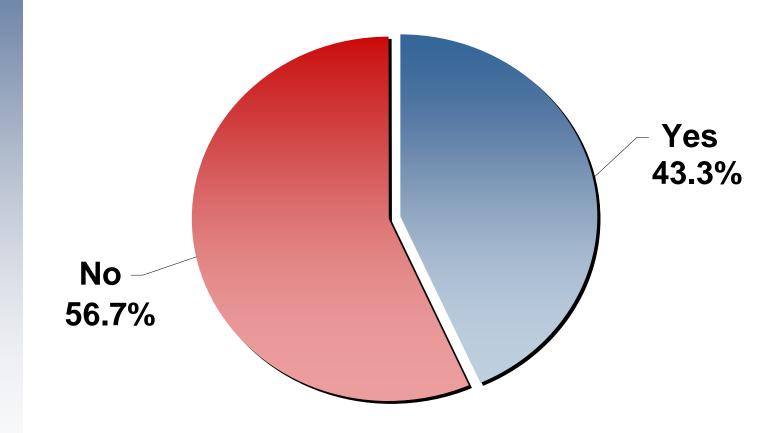
Internet Incidence by Family Income





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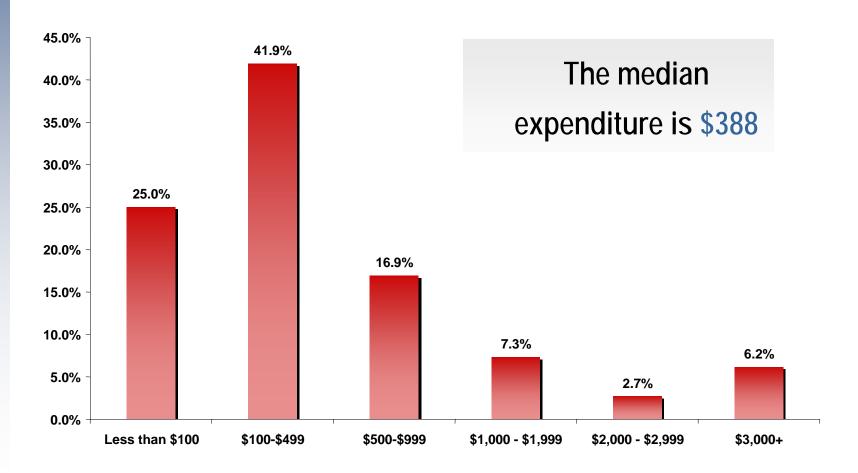






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Most Frequent Purchases in Internet

Cruise ships and airplane tickets, hotel and auto reservations	35.0%
Books	34.2%
Electronic Products	31.2%
Tickets (cinemas, events)	30.8%
Music	25.8%
Clothing and Accessories	25.0%
Computers and Software	24.6%
Movies and DVD	23.8%
Decoration and Articles for the House	23.1%
Office Articles	18.5%
Gifts	15.4%
Collection Articles	11.2%
Vehicles	11.2%
Vitamins and Health Products	10.4%
Games	10.0%
Toys and Kid Articles	9.6%



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Reasons for Puerto Rico's high retail revenue

- High level of consumerism.
- Consumer debt is 42% of Persona Income
- Credit Card Market > \$4,000 million a year
- 400,000 consumers have credit cards from Banco Popular, (34% SOM)
- Lack of competition among retailers
- Underground economy



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VICTORIA'S SECRET



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