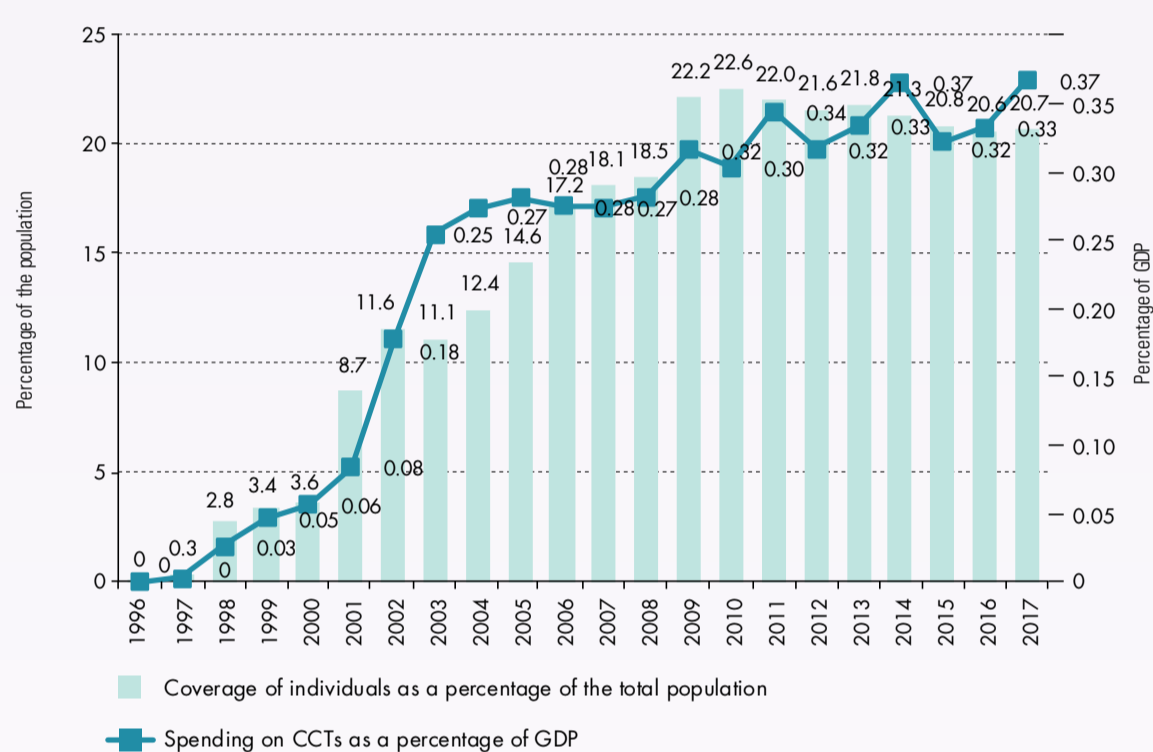


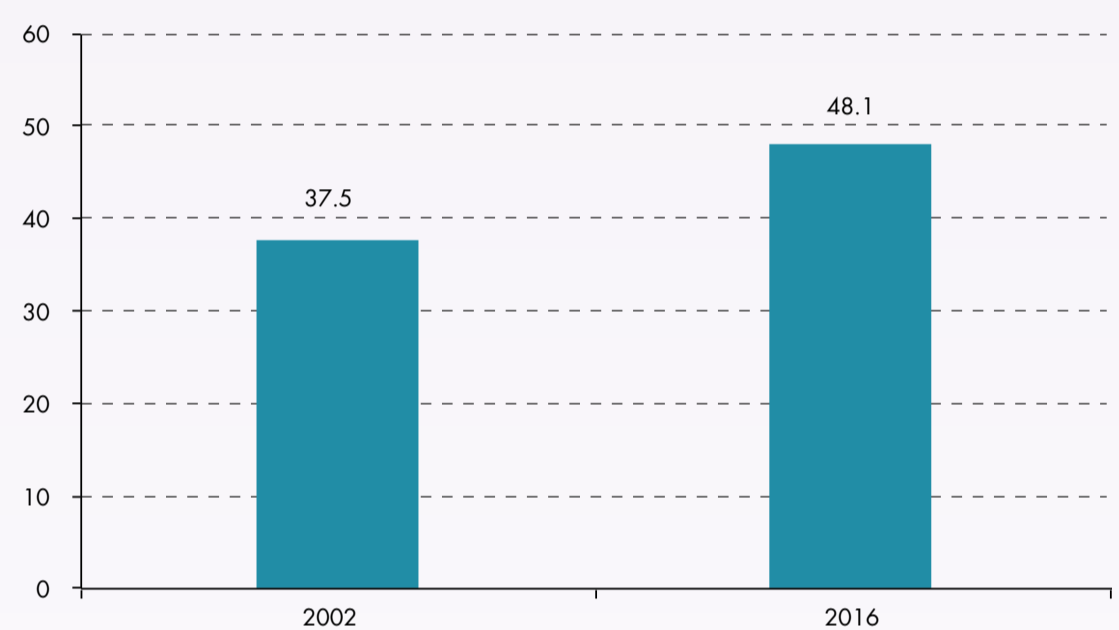
Universal and comprehensive social protection systems are a key public policy to eradicate poverty and reduce inequality

Coverage of **social protection** has grown in the region, but it is still far from universal. It is fundamental to develop comprehensive social protection systems.

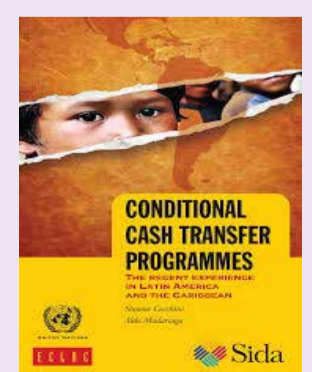
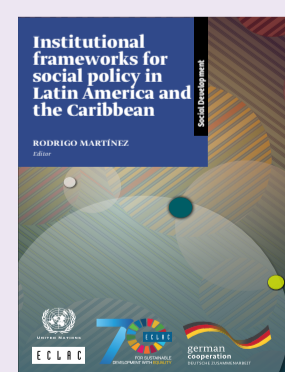
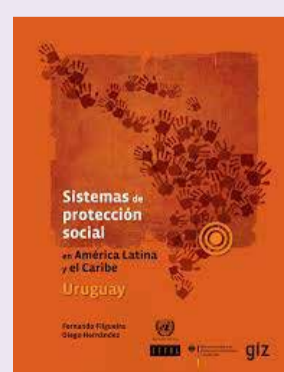
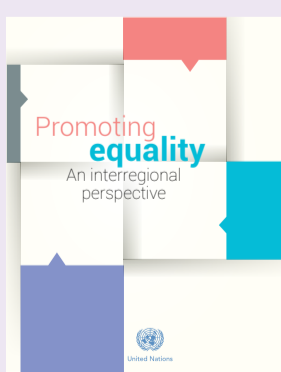
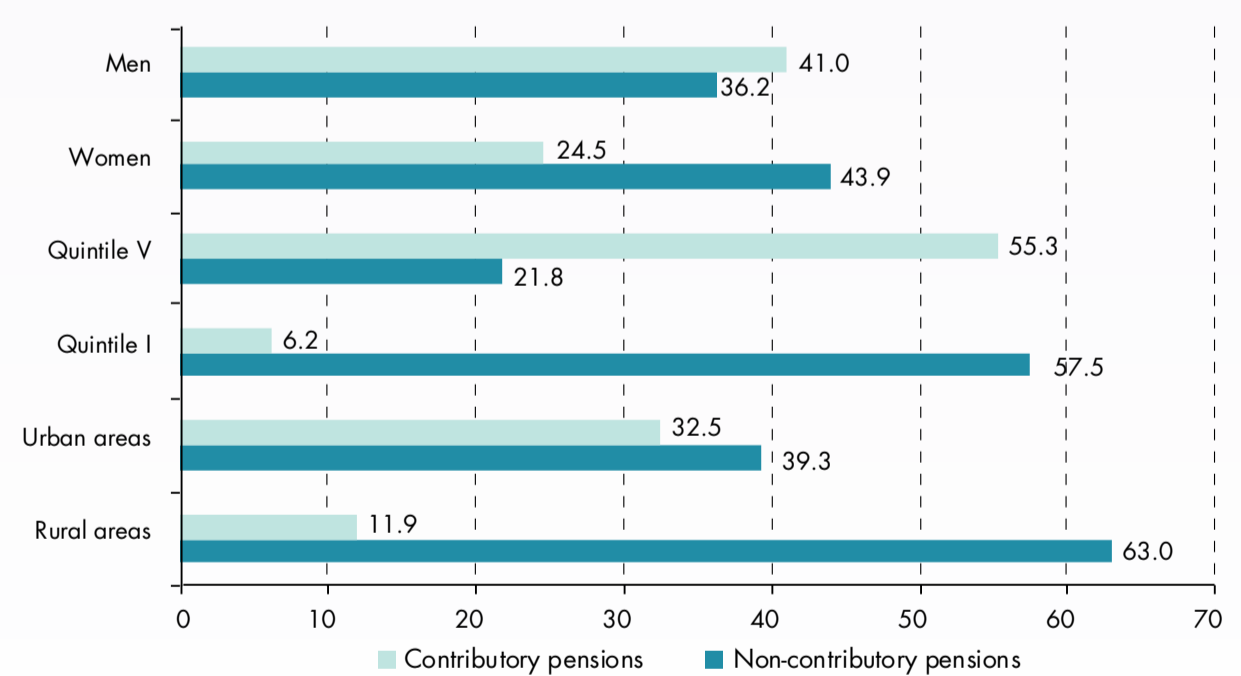
Latin America and the Caribbean (20 countries): individuals in recipient households of CCT programmes and public spending on CCTs, 1996–2017 (Percentages of the total population and percentages of GDP)



Latin America (18 countries): employed persons who are affiliated or contribute to pension systems relative to the total number of employed persons aged 15 or over, 2002 and 2016 (Percentages)



Latin America (8 countries): receipt of contributory and non-contributory pensions among persons aged 65 or over, by sex, income quintile and area of residence, around 2015 (Percentages)



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