

# IN MEXICO AND THE UNITED STATES, PROBLEMS OF THE NEIGHBORING COUNTRY ARE PERCEIVED DIFFERENTLY

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Is polarization isolating us?*

**Leading issues in Mexico and the United States from the perspective of the neighboring country.**

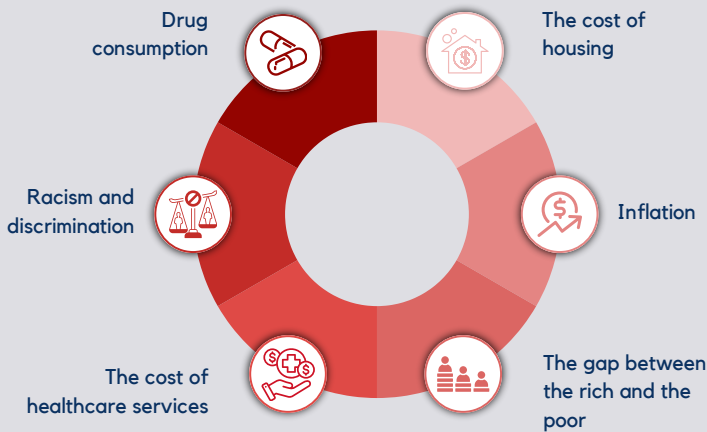
## U.S. problems (from Mexico's viewpoint)

Issue	% of mentions
Drug consumption	32.9%
Racism and discrimination	16.6%
The cost of healthcare services	8.5%
The gap between the rich and the poor	7.1%
Inflation	6.3%
The cost of housing	6.3%

## Mexico's problems (from U.S. viewpoint)

Issue	% of mentions
Corruption	44.98%
Crime and insecurity	22.30%
Bad government performance	11.90%

**Mexican respondents identified six problematic issues in the United States:**



**American respondents identified mainly three problems in Mexico:**



More than 65% of extreme Republicans think that corruption is Mexico's leading problem.

The views of Mexico's problems among American respondents widely differ between partisan groups.



Almost half of extreme Democrats believe that crime and insecurity are Mexico's primary issues.

**Views on Mexico's problems vary according to partisan groups in the United States.**

