

# Brazil: poverty vs. wealth and athletics



# Brazilian Poverty

- Historically, Brazil became wealthy through
  - Cities in the north like Natal and Salvador traded
  - Cities in the south like Rio de Janeiro and São Paulo traded
- When the slave trade ended the economy of northern cities suffered greatly
- As people lost work an economic depression spread across the country



# Brazilian Poverty

- Poor people began moving to the outskirts of cities looking for work
- Due to the poverty, these suburbs turned into

- Poor shanty town or slum area
- No
- No



# Brazilian Miracle

- During the 1960s, a \_\_\_\_\_ occurs to deal with the massive \_\_\_\_\_ problem
- Military carries out the “ \_\_\_\_\_ ”
  - Heavy investment into infrastructure and modernizing the economy
  - Investment done by \_\_\_\_\_ from banks and foreign countries
  - \_\_\_\_\_ led to economic collapse
  - Mixed results; some become very wealthy & many others become poorer

# Modern Brazil

- Failure of the Brazilian Miracle led to to
- Favelas run right up against the wealthy downtown
- Poverty has become the primary target of the Brazilian government's policies in recent years



# Modern Brazil

- play a large role in Brazilian culture
  - Brazil hosted the  
from June-July 2014
  - Brazil has been selected to host the
- Cost of constructing athletic complexes has caused controversy and protests
  - spent on World Cup
  - estimate for 2016 Olympics
  - Many favelas leveled to build athletic complexes

# Modern Brazil

- Arguments against hosting events:
  - Money could be better spent
  - Poor people
  - Many athletic complexes become after the events are done
- Arguments for hosting events:
  - has been greatly reduced in recent years
  - Displaced poor people put in better gov't housing
  - from events will boost economy and reduce poverty
  - Events unify Brazil's people from all social classes