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In a recent government report, 84% of all Guatemalan households were classified as "poor," compared to 70% in 1985. Poor households are those lacking sufficient income to purchase the "canasta basica," or foodstuffs necessary for basic nutrition. Meanwhile, in 1988 the Guatemalan GDP growth rate was 3.5%. [Basic data from Latinamerica Press (Peru), 02/22/89, summarized by Central America Resource Center, Minneapolis, Minn.]

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