



## Eyes on Mexico: Monthly Political Overview

February 2026

### Top Highlights

**Investment Plan for Well-Being.** Secretary of Finance and Public Credit Edgar Amador Zamora unveiled a historic infrastructure investment plan on February 2, 2026, projecting MX\$5.6 trillion in public and mixed investment during 2026-2030 in eight strategic sectors. The plan is based on more than 1,500 infrastructure projects nationwide, with an additional MX\$722 billion targeted to support near-term economic growth for 2026. The plan also aims to boost domestic growth, strengthen regional development and attract further private sector participation. This strategy supports broader goals of shared prosperity, improved connectivity and enhanced national infrastructure capacity.

**First National Investment Promotion Meeting.** The government of Mexico presented advances under Plan México on February 4, 2026, and formally launched the Investment Promotion Committees in all 32 states as a permanent public-private coordination mechanism. The government reaffirmed its goal of raising total investment to 25 percent of gross domestic product (GDP) in 2026, leveraging public and private capital alongside development bank financing. Priority sectors include energy, infrastructure, innovation, nearshoring and balanced regional development. The meeting underscored shared responsibility between government and business and positioned development banking as a key driver of economic growth.

**Canadian Trade Mission in Mexico.** A high-level Canada trade mission met with Mexico President Claudia Sheinbaum on February 17, 2026, to advance the Canada-Mexico Comprehensive Strategic Partnership and the Economic Cooperation Action Plan 2026-2030. President Sheinbaum held meetings with Canada's Minister of Economy Dominic LeBlanc and Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Heath MacDonald, reaffirming bilateral cooperation. The mission included more than 400 Canadian business leaders, highlighting strong confidence in Mexico's economy and a shared commitment to investment, better jobs and sustainable growth across North America.

**National Quality Infrastructure Program 2026.** Mexico's Ministry of Economy published the [National Quality Infrastructure Program 2026](#) in the *Official Gazette of the Federation* (DOF) on February 24, 2026. The program serves as the annual planning and coordination instrument for standardization, metrology and conformity assessment activities in Mexico, integrating the development and amendment of Official Mexican Standards (NOMs) and other technical instruments. Its main objective is to strengthen economic competitiveness, provide regulatory certainty to markets, protect consumers and promote safe, innovative and sustainable productive development.

**Social Impact Assessment for the Energy Sector.** The General Administrative Provisions of a General Nature on the Social Impact Assessment for the Energy Sector [was published](#) in the DOF on February 16, 2026. Their main objective is to require social impact statements for energy projects in order to identify, assess and manage social impacts on affected communities, including Indigenous and Afro-Mexican populations, with a gender and human rights perspective.

**Customs Law Regulations.** A [decree to modernize](#) the Customs Law was published on February 23, 2026, strengthening electronic customs processes, documentation control and compliance obligations for importers, exporters and customs brokers. It expands digital transmission and internal control requirements, mandates consistency between electronic filings and records, and updates data obligations for cross-border cargo movements.

## Congressional Report

**Workweek Reduction Reform.** The Mexican Federal Congress has approved a constitutional reform to reduce the standard workweek from 48 hours to 40 hours, while preserving full pay and benefits to workers. The reform has been ratified by at least 17 of the 32 state legislatures, meeting the constitutional requirement for enactment. The reform is expected to be published in the DOF following the formal declaration of validity. Implementation will be gradual, with the workweek reduced by two hours per year from 2027 through 2030, providing legal certainty and allowing employers and workers to adapt to the new framework.

## Executive Branch

**Bilateral Security High-Level Meeting.** Following a major security operation that took place in Jalisco on February 22, 2026, a high-level security meeting was convened in Mexico City at the instruction of President Sheinbaum. Mexico's Security Cabinet held a working session with U.S. Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) Director Sara Carter and U.S. Ambassador to Mexico Ronald Johnson, reaffirming bilateral cooperation on security matters. The meeting underscored a shared commitment to collaboration based on mutual trust, respect for sovereignty and coordinated action, with participation from senior Mexican officials across security, defense, foreign affairs and public safety institutions.

**Electoral Reform.** President Sheinbaum presented an electoral reform proposal during her morning press conference on February 25, 2026, outlining constitutional and secondary law changes to Mexico's electoral system. The proposal eliminates traditional plurinominal party lists, maintains 500 deputies (300 elected by majority and 200 under a redesigned proportional system) and reduces the Senate from 128 members to 96 members, removing proportional representation seats. It also proposes a 25 percent reduction in electoral spending, including public financing for political parties and electoral authorities, with the aim of strengthening accountability, efficiency, and the direct link between voters and representation.

**Integrated Regulatory Governance Platform.** As of February 4, 2026, the National Commission for Regulatory Improvement (CONAMER) announced that its former regulatory consultation portal will function only as a historical archive and will have no further updates. Pursuant to Mexico's administrative simplification and elimination of bureaucratic procedures laws, all draft regulations, final rules and active regulatory information must now be consulted through the [Integrated Regulatory Governance Platform](#) on the official federal government's website.

**ASEA Executive Director Appointment.** Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAT) Alicia Bárcena has appointed Rebeca Olivia Sánchez Sandín as the new executive director of the Agency for Safety, Energy and Environment (ASEA) within the hydrocarbons sector, replacing Armando Ocampo Zambrano. Sánchez Sandín previously served as deputy prosecutor for services at the Federal Consumer Protection Agency (PROFECO) in Mexico. Her appointment underscores her close political and professional ties to President Sheinbaum, reflecting continuity with the current administration's policy priorities in the environmental and energy regulatory agenda.

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