

Community Profile San Jorge

The community of San Jorge is located in the department of Managua, in the area of San Francisco Libre. It is located 70 kilometers away from the city. The nearest towns are Las Lomas and La Trinidad. It is possible to reach the community only during the dry season.

San Jorge has a population of 252 which includes 56 families. There are 43 children 5 years and younger; 34 children between the ages of 6 and 10 years of age; 21 youth between the age of 11 and 14; 35 young men and 23 young women between the age of 15 and 24; 31 men and 19 women between the age of 24 and 45; 25 persons between the ages of 46 and 60; and 22 persons 60 years and older.

There are 56 homes in San Jorge, of which 25 have latrines. 22 homes are in good condition, 22 are in fair condition and 12 are in poor condition. 6 homes use well water and 1 home uses water from the creeks. There is a project in trying to finish a clinic that was made by the people from the community. Projects in the community are aided by INTA, CEPAD, INGEN/POSAF, AMOS and Provadenic. There is no electricity in the community.

One of the schools serves at this point as a clinic for the Health Promoter, which provides medical attention in the community. Santiago Mejia is a recent graduate from the class of 2004 of Provadenic health promoters.

The most common illnesses are respiratory problems (such as asthma) along with preventative illness such as diarrhea, malaria, and skin problems. In 2004 ten babies were born and there was only one case of death.

There is preschool and a primary school. There are 34 persons over the age of 12 who are illiterate.

The primary areas of production in the community are agriculture and cattle. There is an Evangelical church in the community. There is also a health committee, a community development committee, youth group, and there are projects with animal husbandry (chickens and goats). The community of San Jorge and its organizations has greatly aided the work of AMOS and Provadenic.

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