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Sommario/riassunto	As cities sprawl across Latin America, absorbing more and more of its people, crime and violence have become inescapable. Based on empirical evidence, interviews with local people and historical contextualization, the authors attempt to shed light on the fault-lines which have appeared in Latin American society.