

# Biggest and dirtiest slums from around the world

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## 1. DHARAVI SLUM IN MUMBAI, INDIA

Mumbai slum Dharvi in India is the biggest in the world as well in Asia. It is located between Mumbai's two main suburban railway lines the Western and Central Railways. Poverty, crime, dirtiness, increasing population, increasing black spot on INDIA and especially on Mumbai, increase in illegal business, increase in prostitution, increase in women crimes, increase in drug trafficking, increase in child labor and abuse, increase in diseases, increase in AIDS, increase in SLUMS across Mumbai – This is just 1% of problems it has this place.



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## 2. ORANGI TOWN, PAKISTAN

The population of Orangi Town was estimated to be more than 720,000 at the 1998 census. It could be the largest slum in Asia, possibly surpassing Mumbai's Dharavi in terms of population, although Orangi's 720,000 people inhabit 22 square miles, while Dharavi's 600,000-1,000,000 inhabit 0.67 square miles. Most of the stories about this place you will find is about the crimes happening there, this is not a place which you wanna visit.



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## 3. KIBERA SLUM, NAIROBI, AFRICA

Kibera is the largest slum in Nairobi, and the second largest urban slum in Africa. Until recently, Kibera had no water, so you may imagine what kind of problems they had there. In the 21st century people were dying from cholera. Changaa is cheap alcoholic brew. It is widely available, very strong (over 50% alcohol) and made incorrectly, so is usually very high in Methanol. Cheap drugs and glue sniffing are an increasing problem. Initially taken to alleviate boredom but then people find themselves hooked. A big challenge to the charities! Life here is not a walk through the park.



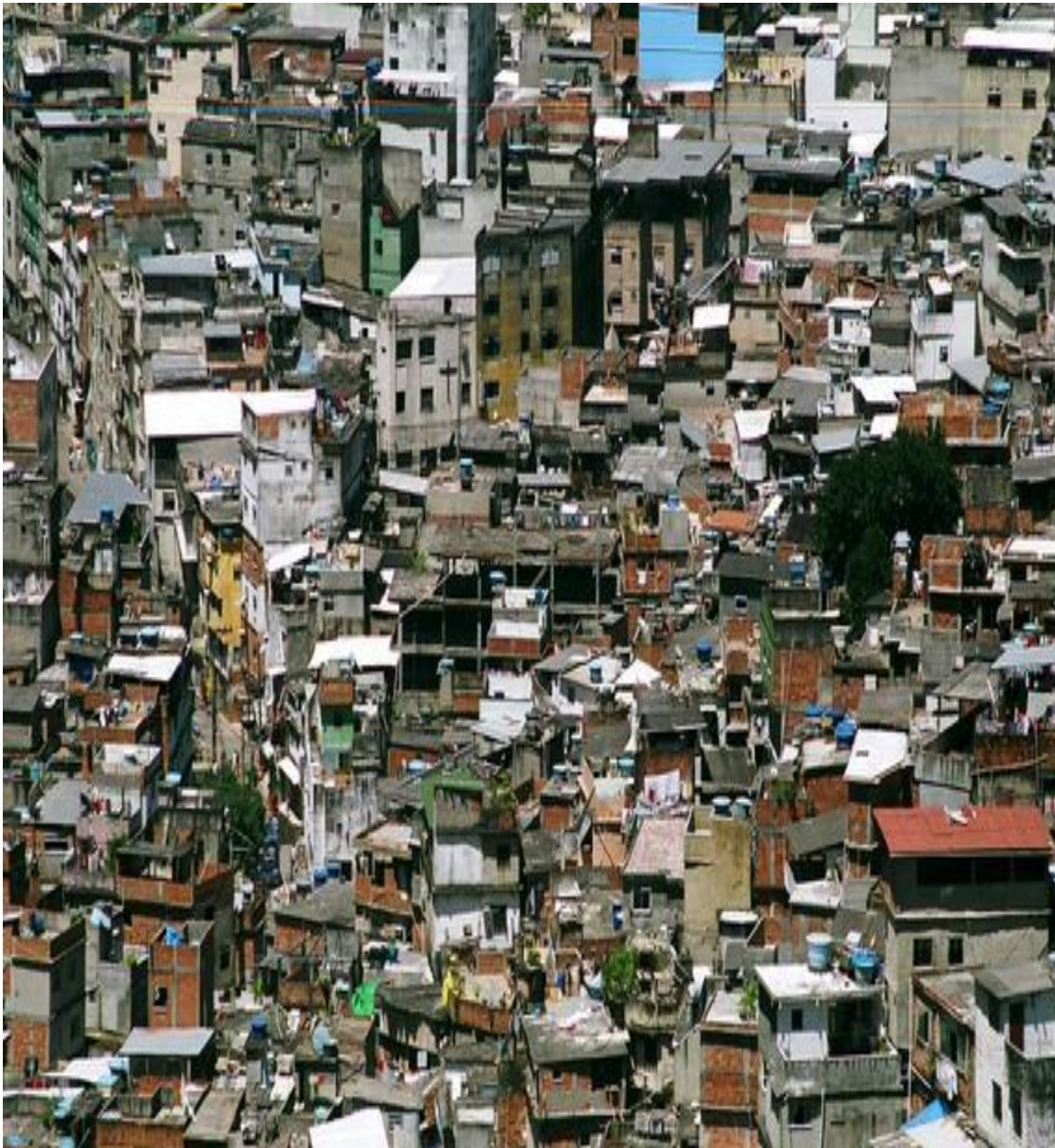
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## 4. RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

The cocaine trade has affected Brazil and in turn its favelas, which tend to be ruled by drug lords. Regular shoot-outs between traffickers and police and other criminals, as well as assorted illegal activities, lead to murder rates in excess of 40 per 100,000 inhabitants in the city of Rio and much higher rates in some Rio favelas. It is said that until recently, there were parts of these favelas where police was not entering for more than 10 years, and now with the Olympics coming up in 2016, they are trying to clean up. It looks like **police** was a little bit brutal there.



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## 5. KAMBWE, ZAMBIA, AFRICA

Kabwe, the second largest city in Zambia, has found itself on the top-ten of a new list of “the world’s worst polluted places” due to very high lead concentrations left over from previous mining operations. Average blood levels of lead among children in some townships are five to ten times the level considered dangerous.



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## 6. DZERZHINSK, RUSSIA

It's a special town that makes it into the Guinness Book of World Records as "The Most Chemically Polluted City in the World". Dzerzhinsk currently holds this auspicious honor, and with good reason. During the years of the Cold War Dzerzhinsk was a secret city pumping out massive quantities of deadly chemical weapons for the Soviet Union. The city is no longer secret, and the Soviet Union has fallen, but several factories still produce toxic chemicals and the people live with the legacy of pollution that is left.



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## 7. MAGADISHU, SOMALIA

The city of Mogadishu in Somalia has been devastated by years of conflict, and hundreds of thousands of people have fled the city. Most of the people here are starving and waiting for food from some organizations.



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## 8. LINFEN, CHINA, ASIA

Located in the Shanxi province in China this city is the worst city when we are talking about pollution. There are three million people living here. It is not easy to be here, health conditions are on the minimum and not to mention that they are doomed to be here, because you'll need money to get away from here.





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## 9. BASSAC APARTMENTS, CAMBODIA

Bassac apartments was one of the architectural jewels of Cambodia, the innovative apartment complex designed in the early 1960s by Lu Ban Hap. Now it is a crumbling ruin inhabited by squatters. The prospects for this community have triggered more concerns.



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## 10. CUBATAO, SAO PAULO, BRAZIL

Cubatão was one of the most polluted cities in the world, nicknamed “Valley of Death”, due to births of brainless children and respiratory, hepatic and blood illnesses. High air pollution was killing forest over hills around the city. It’s a rich town with a poor population. It was ranked the top ten dirtiest cities in the world by Popular Science.

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