

Table 1: **Poverty, Inequality, and Human Development**

DMC	Population in Poverty (%) (National Poverty Line) <sup>a</sup>				Proportion of Population Below \$1 (PPP) a Day (%)	
	Total	Urban	Rural			
<b>East Asia</b>						
China, People's Rep. of	...	...	3.1	(2003)	16.6	(2001)
Hong Kong, China	...	...	...		...	
Korea, Rep. of	3.6	...	...	(2000)	< 2.0	(1998)
Mongolia	35.6	39.4	32.6	(1998)	27.0	(1998)
Taipei, China	0.8 <sup>b</sup>	...	...	(2002)	...	
<b>Southeast Asia</b>						
Cambodia	35.9	18.2	40.1	(1999)	34.1	(1997)
Indonesia	18.2	14.5	21.1	(2002)	7.5	(2002)
Lao PDR	38.6	26.9	41.0	(1997)	39.0	(1997)
Malaysia	7.5	3.4	12.4	(1999)	0.2	(1997)
Myanmar	22.9	23.9	22.4	(1997)	...	
Philippines	34.0	20.4	47.4	(2000)	15.5	(2000)
Singapore	...	...	...		...	
Thailand	9.8	4.0	12.6	(2002)	1.9	(2000)
Viet Nam	28.9	6.6	35.6	(2002)	13.1	(2002)
<b>South Asia</b>						
Afghanistan	...	...	...		...	
Bangladesh	49.8	36.6	53.0	(2000)	36.0	(2000)
Bhutan	25.3 <sup>c</sup>	...	...	(2000)	...	
India	26.1	23.6	27.1	(1999)	35.6	(1999)
Maldives	43.0	20.0	50.0	(1998)	...	
Nepal	42.0	23.0	44.0	(1996)	39.1	(1995)
Pakistan	32.6	25.9	34.8	(1999)	25.3	(1999)
Sri Lanka	25.2	14.7	27.0	(1995)	6.6	(1995)
<b>Central Asia</b>						
Azerbaijan	49.6	...	...	(2001)	3.7	(2001)
Kazakhstan	27.9	20.3	36.9	(2002)	0.1	(2001)
Kyrgyz Republic	52.0	43.9	56.4	(2000)	0.9	(2001)
Tajikistan	56.6	47.7	59.9	(2003)	13.9	(1999)
Turkmenistan	29.9	20.1	31.1	(1998)	12.1	(1998)
Uzbekistan	27.5	22.5	30.5	(2000)	17.3	(2000)
<b>Pacific DMCs</b>						
Cook Islands	...	...	...		...	
Fiji Islands	25.5 <sup>d</sup>	27.6 <sup>d</sup>	22.4 <sup>d</sup>	(1990)	25.0	(1990)
Kiribati	51.0 <sup>e</sup>	...	...	(1996)	38.0	(1996)
Marshall Islands	...	...	...		20.0	(1999)
Micronesia, Fed. States of	27.9	...	...	(1998)	5.2	(1998)
Nauru	...	...	...		...	
Palau	...	...	...		...	
Papua New Guinea	37.5	16.1	41.3	(1996)	24.6	(1996)
Samoa	20.3 <sup>e</sup>	...	...	(2002)	5.5	(2002)
Solomon Islands	...	...	...		...	
Timor-Leste	41.0	26.0	46.0	(2001)	...	
Tonga	22.7	...	...	(2001)	4.0	(2001)
Tuvalu	29.3	...	...	(1994)	17.2	(1994)
Vanuatu	...	...	...		40.0	(1998)

a When available, official poverty lines are used. In some countries, no official poverty line is available, and data may have been computed by non-governmental agencies.

b Defined as percent of low-income population to total population.

c Based on a poverty line obtained from a pilot study.

d Refers to percentage of population below basic needs. Rural areas refer to rural villages only; poverty incidence in rural settlements is 26.2 percent.

e Refers to percentage of poor households.

Table 1: **Poverty, Inequality, and Human Development** (Continued)

Income <sup>f</sup> Ratio of Highest 20% to Lowest 20%	Gini Coefficient <sup>g</sup>	Human Development Index				Rank in 2000 <sup>h</sup>	DMC
		1990	2000	2001			
10.6 (2001)	0.447	0.624	0.726	0.721	104	<b>East Asia</b>	
9.6 (1996)	0.434	0.857	0.888	0.889	26	China, People's Rep. of	
6.8 (2000)	0.352	0.814	0.882	0.879	30	Hong Kong, China	
4.5 (1998)	0.303	0.655	0.655	0.661	117	Korea, Rep. of	
6.2 (2002)	0.345	...	...	...	...	Mongolia	
						Taipei, China	
						<b>Southeast Asia</b>	
4.7 (1999)	0.450	0.512	0.543	0.556	130	Cambodia	
5.2 (2002)	0.343	0.619	0.684	0.682	112	Indonesia	
6.0 (1997)	0.370	0.449	0.485	0.525	135	Lao PDR	
7.1 (1999)	0.440	0.721	0.782	0.790	58	Malaysia	
...	...	...	0.552	0.549	131	Myanmar	
9.7 (2000)	0.461	0.713	0.754	0.751	85	Philippines	
9.8 (1998)	0.425	0.819	0.885	0.884	28	Singapore	
8.3 (2000)	0.432	0.705	0.762	0.768	74	Thailand	
5.7 (2002)	0.376	0.603	0.688	0.688	109	Viet Nam	
						<b>South Asia</b>	
...	...	...	...	...	...	Afghanistan	
4.6 (2000)	0.318	0.414	0.478	0.502	139	Bangladesh	
7.4 (2000)	0.341	...	0.494	0.511	136	Bhutan	
4.7 (1999)	0.325	0.519	0.577	0.590	127	India	
...	...	...	0.743	0.751	86	Maldives	
5.9 (1995)	0.367	0.413	0.490	0.499	143	Nepal	
4.8 (1998)	0.330	0.440	0.499	0.499	144	Pakistan	
5.4 (1995)	0.344	0.692	0.741	0.730	99	Sri Lanka	
						<b>Central Asia</b>	
6.0 (2001)	0.365	...	0.741	0.744	89	Azerbaijan	
4.8 (2001)	0.313	0.781	0.750	0.765	76	Kazakhstan	
4.2 (2001)	0.290	...	0.712	0.727	102	Kyrgyz Republic	
5.0 (1999)	0.315	0.736	0.667	0.677	113	Tajikistan	
7.8 (1998)	0.408	...	0.741	0.748	87	Turkmenistan	
4.0 (2000)	0.270	0.728	0.727	0.729	101	Uzbekistan	
						<b>Pacific DMCs</b>	
...	...	...	...	...	...	Cook Islands	
9.8 (1990)	0.490	0.717	0.758	0.754	81	Fiji Islands	
5.7 (1996)	...	...	...	...	...	Kiribati	
...	...	...	...	...	...	Marshall Islands	
8.9 (1998)	0.408	...	...	...	...	Micronesia, Fed. States of	
...	...	...	...	...	...	Nauru	
...	...	...	...	...	...	Palau	
12.6 (1996)	0.480	0.487	0.535	0.548	132	Papua New Guinea	
8.4 (2002)	0.440	0.726	0.715	0.775	70	Samoa	
...	...	...	0.622	0.632	123	Solomon Islands	
...	0.354	...	...	0.421	...	Timor-Leste	
9.7 (2001)	0.420	...	...	...	...	Tonga	
...	...	...	...	...	...	Tuvalu	
...	...	...	0.542	0.568	128	Vanuatu	

<sup>f</sup> Refers to income or expenditure.

<sup>g</sup> Calculated based on income or expenditure and refers to the same year as that of the Income Ratio.

<sup>h</sup> Rank among the 175 countries classified in UNDP *Human Development Report 2003*.

Sources: ADB, *Poverty Database*.

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