

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	4.6	2.0	4.6	(1998)	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>e</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	30.4	...	...	(2003)	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>f</sup>	...	...	(2000)	...
India	28.6	24.7	30.2	(2000)	35.3 (1999)
Maldives	43.0	20.0	50.0	(1998)	0.1 (1998)
Nepal	30.9	9.6	34.6	(2004)	39.1 (1995)
Pakistan	32.6	25.9	34.8	(1999)	25.3 (1999)
Sri Lanka	25.0	15.0	27.0	(1996)	7.6 (2000)
<b>Central Asia</b>					
Azerbaijan	49.6	...	...	(2001)	3.7 (2001)
Kazakhstan	27.9	20.3	36.9	(2002)	< 2.0 (2003)
Kyrgyz Republic	52.0	43.9	56.4	(2000)	< 2.0 (2002)
Tajikistan	56.6	47.7	59.9	(2003)	7.4 (2003)
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>g</sup>	27.6 <sup>g</sup>	22.4 <sup>g</sup>	(1990)	25.0 (1990)
Kiribati	51.0 <sup>h</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>h</sup>	...	...	(2002)	5.5 (2002)
Solomon Islands	...	...	...		...
Timor-Leste	41.0	26.0	46.0	(2001)	...
Tonga	22.7 <sup>h</sup>	...	...	(2001)	4.0 (2001)
Tuvalu	29.3 <sup>h</sup>	...	...	(1994)	17.2 (1994)
Vanuatu	...	...	...		26.0 (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 Refers to income or expenditure.

c Calculated based on income or expenditure and refers to the same year as that of the Income Ratio except for Taipei,China whose Gini coefficient is for the year 2002.

d Rank among the 175 countries classified in UNDP, *Human Development Report 2004*.

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

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Income <sup>b</sup> Ratio of Highest 20% to Lowest 20%	Gini Coefficient <sup>c</sup>	Human Development Index				Rank in 2002 <sup>d</sup>	DMC
		1990	2000	2002			
							<b>East Asia</b>
10.6 (2001)	0.447	0.627	0.721	0.745	94		China, People's Rep. of
9.7 (1996)	0.434	0.862	0.888	0.903	23		Hong Kong, China
5.2 (2003)	0.306	0.817	0.878	0.888	28		Korea, Rep. of
9.1 (1998)	0.303	0.656	0.658	0.668	117		Mongolia
6.1 (2003)	0.345	...	...	...	...		Taipei, China
							<b>Southeast Asia</b>
4.7 (1999)	0.450	0.512	0.551	0.568	130		Cambodia
5.2 (2002)	0.343	0.623	0.680	0.692	111		Indonesia
6.0 (1997)	0.370	0.449	0.520	0.534	135		Lao PDR
7.1 (1999)	0.443	0.720	0.789	0.793	59		Malaysia
...	...	...	0.552	0.551	132		Myanmar
9.7 (2000)	0.461	0.719	0.754	0.753	83		Philippines
9.7 (1998)	0.425	0.821	0.885	0.902	25		Singapore
8.3 (2000)	0.432	0.707	0.762	0.768	76		Thailand
6.0 (2002)	0.370	0.610	0.686	0.691	112		Viet Nam
							<b>South Asia</b>
...	...	...	...	...	...		Afghanistan
4.6 (2000)	0.318	0.417	0.497	0.509	138		Bangladesh
7.4 (2000)	0.341	...	0.494	0.536	134		Bhutan
4.9 (2000)	0.325	0.514	0.579	0.595	127		India
...	...	...	0.743	0.752	84		Maldives
7.0 (2004)	0.400	0.418	0.488	0.504	140		Nepal
4.8 (1999)	0.330	0.444	0.499	0.497	142		Pakistan
5.1 (2000)	0.332	0.698	0.741	0.740	96		Sri Lanka
							<b>Central Asia</b>
6.0 (2001)	0.365	...	0.741	0.746	91		Azerbaijan
5.1 (2003)	0.323	0.767	0.744	0.766	78		Kazakhstan
5.5 (2002)	0.348	...	0.712	0.701	110		Kyrgyz Republic
5.2 (2003)	0.326	0.719	0.655	0.671	116		Tajikistan
7.7 (1998)	0.408	...	0.741	0.752	86		Turkmenistan
4.0 (2000)	0.268	0.728	0.727	0.709	107		Uzbekistan
							<b>Pacific DMCs</b>
...	...	...	...	...	...		Cook Islands
9.8 (1990)	0.490	0.722	0.751	0.758	81		Fiji Islands
5.7 (1996)	...	...	...	...	...		Kiribati
...	...	...	...	...	...		Marshall Islands
8.9 (1998)	0.408	...	...	...	...		Micronesia, Fed. States of
...	...	...	...	...	...		Nauru
...	...	...	...	...	...		Palau
12.6 (1996)	0.509	0.482	0.540	0.542	133		Papua New Guinea
8.4 (2002)	0.440	0.714	0.715	0.769	75		Samoa
...	...	...	0.622	0.624	124		Solomon Islands
6.6 (2001)	0.354	...	...	0.436	158		Timor-Leste
9.7 (2001)	0.420	...	...	0.787	63		Tonga
...	...	...	...	...	...		Tuvalu
...	...	...	0.542	0.570	129		Vanuatu

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

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

h Refers to percentage of poor households.

Sources: UNSD, *Millennium Development Indicators Database Online*.  
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