

Table 1: Poverty, Inequality, and Human Development

DMC	Population in Poverty (%) (National Poverty Line) ^a			Proportion of Population Below \$1 (PPP) a Day (%)	
	Total	Urban	Rural		
East Asia					
China, People's Rep. of	...	< 2.0	3.5	(2000)	16.1 (2000)
Hong Kong, China	...	...	...		...
Korea, Rep. of	3.6	...	...	(2000)	< 2.0 (1998)
Mongolia	35.6	39.4	32.6	(1998)	13.9 (1995)
Taipei, China	0.6 ^b	...	...	(1999)	...
Southeast Asia					
Cambodia	35.9	25.2 ^c	40.0	(1999)	...
Indonesia	18.2	14.5	21.1	(2002)	7.2 (2000)
Lao PDR	38.6	26.9	41.0	(1997)	26.3 (1997)
Malaysia	8.1 ^d	3.8 ^d	13.2 ^d	(1999)	< 2.0 (1997)
Myanmar	22.9	23.9	22.4	(1997)	...
Philippines	34.2	20.4	47.4	(2000)	14.6 (2000)
Singapore	...	...	...		...
Thailand	13.1	10.2	15.5	(2000)	< 2.0 (2000)
Viet Nam	37.4	9.0	44.9	(1998)	17.7 (1998)
South Asia					
Afghanistan	...	...	...		...
Bangladesh	49.8	36.6	53.1	(2000)	36.0 (2000)
Bhutan	25.3 ^e	...	...	(2000)	...
India	26.1	23.6	27.1	(1999)	34.7 (1999)
Maldives	43.0	20.0	50.0	(1998)	...
Nepal	42.0	23.0	44.0	(1996)	37.7 (1995)
Pakistan	32.2	22.4	36.3	(1998)	13.4 (1998)
Sri Lanka	25.2	14.7	27.0	(1995)	6.6 (1995)
Central Asia					
Azerbaijan	68.1	...	...	(1995)	3.7 (2001)
Kazakhstan	27.9	20.3	36.9	(2002)	1.5 (1996)
Kyrgyz Republic	52.0	43.9	56.4	(2000)	2.0 (2000)
Tajikistan	83.0	...	...	(1998)	10.3 (1998)
Turkmenistan	...	...	...		12.1 (1998)
Uzbekistan	29.0	...	...	(1999)	19.1 (1998)
Pacific DMCs					
Cook Islands	...	...	...		...
Fiji Islands	25.5 ^d	27.6 ^d	22.4 ^{d, f}	(1990)	20.0 (1997)
Kiribati	...	...	...		...
Marshall Islands	...	...	...		...
Micronesia, Fed. States of	39.5	...	...	(1998)	...
Nauru	...	...	...		...
Papua New Guinea	38.0	16.0	41.0	(1996)	...
Samoa	48 ^{d, g}	...	...	(1997)	...
Solomon Islands	...	...	...		...
Timor-Leste	41.0	26.0	46.0	(2001)	...
Tonga	...	...	...		...
Tuvalu	...	...	...		...
Vanuatu	...	...	...		...

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 Urban areas do not include Phnom Penh where poverty incidence in 1999 is 9.7 percent.

d Refers to percentage of poor households.

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

f Rural areas refer to rural villages only; poverty incidence in rural settlements is 26.2 percent.

g Refers to food poverty.

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Income ^h Ratio of Highest 20% to Lowest 20%	Gini Coefficient ^j	Human Development Index				Rank in 2000 ^l	DMC
		1980	1990	2000			
7.9 (1998)	0.40	0.554	0.625	0.726	96	East Asia	
9.6 (1996)	0.43	0.795	0.859	0.888	23	China, People's Rep. of	
5.3 ⁱ (2000)	0.32	0.732	0.815	0.882	27	Hong Kong, China	
9.1 (1998)	0.35	0.650	0.657	0.655	113	Korea, Rep. of	
5.5 (1999)	0.33	...	...	...	...	Mongolia
						Taipei, China	
						Southeast Asia	
4.7 (1999)	0.45	...	0.501	0.543	130	Cambodia	
5.2 (2000)	0.30	0.530	0.623	0.684	110	Indonesia	
5.9 (1997)	0.36	...	0.404	0.485	143	Lao PDR	
7.1 (1999)	0.44	0.659	0.722	0.782	59	Malaysia	
...	...	...	...	0.552	127	Myanmar
9.7 (2000)	0.46	0.684	0.716	0.754	77	Philippines	
9.8 (1998)	0.42	0.755	0.818	0.885	25	Singapore	
5.3 (2000)	0.43	0.645	0.713	0.762	70	Thailand	
3.9 (1998)	0.36	...	0.605	0.688	109	Viet Nam	
						South Asia	
...	...	...	...	...	...	Afghanistan
4.9 (2000)	0.45	0.353	0.416	0.478	145	Bangladesh	
7.4 (2000)	0.34	...	...	0.494	140	Bhutan
5.7 (1997)	0.38	0.434	0.511	0.577	124	India	
...	...	...	0.676	0.743	84	Maldives
5.9 (1995)	0.34	0.328	0.416	0.490	142	Nepal	
4.8 (1998)	0.33	0.372	0.442	0.499	138	Pakistan	
5.4 (1995)	0.48	0.650	0.697	0.741	89	Sri Lanka	
						Central Asia	
6.0 (2001)	0.36	...	...	0.741	88	Azerbaijan
4.8 (2001)	0.31	...	...	0.750	79	Kazakhstan
4.2 (2001)	0.32	...	...	0.712	102	Kyrgyz Republic
5.0 (1998)	0.35	...	0.740	0.667	112	Tajikistan	
7.8 (1998)	0.41	...	...	0.741	87	Turkmenistan
3.9 (2000)	0.27	...	0.731	0.727	95	Uzbekistan	
						Pacific DMCs	
...	...	...	...	...	...	Cook Islands
9.8 (1990)	0.49	0.683	0.723	0.758	72	Fiji Islands	
...	...	...	...	...	...	Kiribati
...	...	...	...	...	...	Marshall Islands
...	0.41	...	...	...	...	Micronesia, Fed. States of
...	...	...	...	...	...	Nauru
12.6 (1996)	0.48	0.441	0.479	0.535	133	Papua New Guinea	
...	...	...	0.666	0.715	101	Samoa
...	...	...	...	0.622	121	Solomon Islands
...	0.35 ^k	...	...	...	...	Timor-Leste
...	...	...	...	...	...	Tonga
...	...	...	...	...	...	Tuvalu
...	...	...	...	0.542	131	Vanuatu

h Refers to income or expenditure.

i Urban only.

j Calculated based on income or expenditure and refers to the same year as that of the Income Ratio.

k Refers to 2001.

l Rank among the 173 countries classified in UNDP, *Human Development Report 2002*.

Sources: ADB, *Poverty Database*.

WB, *World Development Indicators 2003*.

ADB, *Millennium Development Goals in the Pacific, Relevance and Progress*, March 2003.

UNDP, *Human Development Report 2002*, and *Pacific Human Development Report 1999*.

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