

Table 1: **Poverty, Inequality, and Human Development**<sup>a</sup>

Developing Member Country (DMC)	Population in Poverty (%) (National Poverty Line) <sup>b</sup>				Proportion of Population Below \$1 (PPP) a Day (%)	
	Total	Urban	Rural			
<b>East Asia</b>						
China, People's Rep. of	2.5	...	...	(2005)	10.8	(2004)
Hong Kong, China	...	...	...		...	
Korea, Rep. of	5.0	...	...	(2004)	...	
Mongolia	36.1	30.3	43.4	(2003)	11.0	(2002)
Taipei, China	0.8 <sup>f</sup>	...	...	(2003)	...	
<b>Southeast Asia</b>						
Brunei Darussalam <sup>g</sup>	...	...	...		...	
Cambodia	34.7	...	...	(2004)	18.5	(2004)
Indonesia	16.7	12.1	20.0	(2004)	7.7	(2002)
Lao PDR	32.7	...	...	(2003)	28.8	(2002)
Malaysia	5.1	2.0	11.4	(2002)	0.0	(2004)
Myanmar	26.6	20.7	28.4	(2001)	...	
Philippines	30.0	...	...	(2003)	13.2	(2003)
Singapore	...	...	...		...	
Thailand	9.8	4.0	12.6	(2002)	0.0	(2002)
Viet Nam	19.5	...	...	(2004)	8.4	(2004)
<b>South Asia</b>						
Bangladesh	40.0	28.4	43.8	(2005)	36.3	(2005)
Bhutan	31.7	4.2	38.3	(2003)	...	
India	27.5	25.7	28.3	(2004)	35.1	(2004)
Maldives	21.0	...	...	(2004)	1.0	(2004)
Nepal	30.9	10.0	35.0	(2004)	24.7	(2003)
Sri Lanka	22.7	7.9	24.7	(2002)	4.8	(2002)
<b>Central and West Asia</b>						
Afghanistan	...	...	...		...	
Armenia	29.8	30.7	28.3	(2005)	1.7	(2003)
Azerbaijan	40.0	...	...	(2004)	2.9	(2001)
Georgia	39.4	...	...	(2005)	6.4	(2003)
Kazakhstan	16.1	9.2	28.4	(2004)	0.0	(2003)
Kyrgyz Republic	43.1	...	...	(2005)	0.0	(2003)
Pakistan	23.9	14.9	28.1	(2004)	9.8	(2004)
Tajikistan	44.4	...	...	(2003)	7.5	(2003)
Turkmenistan	29.9	20.1	31.1	(1998)	0.1	(2003)
Uzbekistan	26.2	22.0	28.7	(2003)	...	
<b>Pacific</b>						
Cook Islands	12.0	...	...	(1998)	...	
Fiji Islands	25.5 <sup>h</sup>	27.6 <sup>h</sup>	22.4 <sup>h</sup>	(1990)	25.5	(1996)
Kiribati	50.0	51.0	50.0	(1996)	38.0	(1996)
Marshall Islands	...	...	...		20.0	(1999)
Micronesia, Fed. States of	27.9	29.5	32.9	(1998)	5.2	(1998)
Nauru	...	...	...		...	
Palau	59.2	...	...	(2004)	...	
Papua New Guinea	37.5	16.1	41.3	(1996)	30.2	(1996)
Samoa	20.3 <sup>i</sup>	23.3 <sup>i</sup>	17.9 <sup>i</sup>	(2002)	5.5	(2002)
Solomon Islands	...	...	...		...	
Timor-Leste	39.7	25.0	44.0	(2001)	...	
Tonga	22.3 <sup>i</sup>	23.6 <sup>i</sup>	22.8 <sup>i</sup>	(2002)	4.0	(2001)
Tuvalu	29.3 <sup>i</sup>	23.7 <sup>i</sup>	23.4 <sup>i</sup>	(1994)	17.2	(1994)
Vanuatu	40.0	...	...	(1998)	26.0	(1998)

a Data sources of the different indicators vary, hence consistency across indicators is not assured.

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

c Refers to income or expenditure.

d Derived from per capita expenditures from household surveys except for Fiji Islands; Republic of Korea; Taipei, China; and Tuvalu which are based on per capita income and Federated States of Micronesia and Tonga are based on per household income. However, the basis for computing gini coefficients is unknown for Hong Kong, China and Singapore. The reference year is the same as that of the income ratio.

e Rank among the 177 countries classified in UNDP's, *Human Development Report 2006*.

f Percent of low-income population to total population.

g Brunei Darussalam is not a DMC but an unclassified regional member country of ADB.

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

i Refers to percentage of poor households.

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Income <sup>c</sup> Ratio of Highest 20% to Lowest 20%		Gini Coefficient <sup>d</sup>	Human Development Index				Developing Member Country (DMC)
			1990	2000	2004	Rank in 2004 <sup>e</sup>	
<b>East Asia</b>							
11.4	(2004)	0.472	0.627	0.721	0.768	81	China, People's Rep. of
9.7	(1996)	0.434	0.862	0.888	0.927	22	Hong Kong, China
5.5	(2004)	0.316	0.817	0.878	0.912	26	Korea, Rep. of
5.4	(2002)	0.328	0.656	0.658	0.691	116	Mongolia
6.1	(2003)	0.339	...	...	...	...	Taipei, China
<b>Southeast Asia</b>							
...		...	...	...	0.871	34	Brunei Darussalam <sup>g</sup>
7.0	(2004)	0.381	0.512	0.551	0.583	129	Cambodia
5.1	(2002)	0.343	0.623	0.680	0.711	108	Indonesia
5.4	(2002)	0.347	0.449	0.520	0.553	133	Lao PDR
7.7	(2004)	0.403	0.720	0.789	0.805	61	Malaysia
...		...	...	0.552	0.581	130	Myanmar
9.1	(2003)	0.440	0.719	0.754	0.763	84	Philippines
9.7	(1998)	0.425	0.821	0.885	0.916	25	Singapore
7.7	(2002)	0.420	0.707	0.762	0.784	74	Thailand
6.2	(2004)	0.371	0.610	0.686	0.709	109	Viet Nam
<b>South Asia</b>							
5.0	(2005)	0.341	0.417	0.497	0.530	137	Bangladesh
7.4	(2000)	0.341	...	0.494	0.538	135	Bhutan
5.5	(2004)	0.362	0.514	0.579	0.611	126	India
...		...	...	0.743	0.739	98	Maldives
9.5	(2003)	0.473	0.418	0.488	0.527	138	Nepal
6.8	(2002)	0.402	0.698	0.741	0.755	93	Sri Lanka
<b>Central and West Asia</b>							
...		...	...	...	...	...	Afghanistan
5.1	(2003)	0.338	0.737	0.735	0.768	80	Armenia
6.0	(2001)	0.365	...	0.741	0.736	99	Azerbaijan
8.4	(2003)	0.404	...	0.742	0.743	97	Georgia
5.6	(2003)	0.339	0.767	0.744	0.774	79	Kazakhstan
8.9	(2003)	0.303	...	0.712	0.705	110	Kyrgyz Republic
4.5	(2004)	0.312	0.444	0.499	0.539	134	Pakistan
5.1	(2003)	0.326	0.719	0.655	0.652	122	Tajikistan
8.3	(2003)	0.430	...	0.741	0.724	105	Turkmenistan
6.1	(2003)	0.367	0.728	0.727	0.696	113	Uzbekistan
<b>Pacific</b>							
...		...	...	...	...	...	Cook Islands
9.8	(1990)	0.490	0.722	0.751	0.758	90	Fiji Islands
5.7	(1996)	...	...	...	...	...	Kiribati
...		...	...	...	...	...	Marshall Islands
8.9	(1998)	0.408	...	...	...	...	Micronesia, Fed. States of
...		...	...	...	...	...	Nauru
...		...	...	...	...	...	Palau
12.6	(1996)	0.484	0.482	0.540	0.523	139	Papua New Guinea
8.1	(2002)	0.430	0.714	0.715	0.778	75	Samoa
...		...	...	0.622	0.592	128	Solomon Islands
6.6	(2001)	0.354	...	...	0.512	142	Timor-Leste
9.7	(2001)	0.420	...	...	0.815	55	Tonga
...	(1994)	0.430	...	...	...	...	Tuvalu
...		...	...	0.542	0.670	119	Vanuatu

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