

Table 7: Population by Age Group

| Developing Member Country (DMC) | Age Distribution (as % of total population) |       |     |      |       |     |                   |       |     | Age Dependency Ratio |      |                   |
|---------------------------------|---|-------|-----|------|-------|-----|-------------------|-------|-----|----------------------|------|-------------------|
|                                 | 1990  |       |     | 2000 |       |     | 2006 <sup>a</sup> |       |     | 1990                 | 2000 | 2006 <sup>a</sup> |
|                                 | 0-14  | 15-64 | 65+ | 0-14 | 15-64 | 65+ | 0-14              | 15-60 | 60+ |                      |      |                   |
| <b>East Asia</b>                |   |       |     |      |       |     |                   |       |     |                      |      |                   |
| China, People's Rep. of         | 28  | 67    | 5   | 23   | 70    | 7   | 21                | 68    | 11  | 49                   | 43   | 47                |
| Hong Kong, China                | 21  | 70    | 8   | 17   | 72    | 11  | 14                | 70    | 16  | 41                   | 39   | 43                |
| Korea, Rep. of                  | 26  | 69    | 5   | 21   | 72    | 7   | 25                | 64    | 11  | 44                   | 39   | 56                |
| Mongolia                        | 36  | 61    | 4   | 34   | 63    | 4   | 30                | 64    | 6   | 66                   | 59   | 56                |
| Taipei, China                   | 27  | 67    | 6   | 21   | 70    | 9   | 18                | 72    | 10  | 50                   | 42   | 39                |
| <b>Southeast Asia</b>           |   |       |     |      |       |     |                   |       |     |                      |      |                   |
| Brunei Darussalam <sup>b</sup>  | 35  | 62    | 3   | 30   | 67    | 3   | 29                | 66    | 5   | 60                   | 49   | 52                |
| Cambodia                        | 39  | 58    | 3   | 43   | 54    | 3   | 37                | 57    | 6   | 74                   | 86   | 75                |
| Indonesia                       | 37  | 60    | 4   | 31   | 65    | 5   | 28                | 64    | 8   | 68                   | 55   | 56                |
| Lao PDR                         | 44  | 53    | 3   | 44   | 53    | 4   | 40                | 55    | 5   | 87                   | 89   | 82                |
| Malaysia                        | 37  | 59    | 4   | 34   | 62    | 4   | 32                | 61    | 7   | 70                   | 61   | 64                |
| Myanmar                         | 36  | 60    | 4   | 33   | 62    | 5   | 29                | 63    | 8   | 67                   | 61   | 59                |
| Philippines                     | 40  | 57    | 3   | 37   | 59    | 4   | 35                | 59    | 6   | 75                   | 69   | 69                |
| Singapore                       | 23  | 71    | 6   | 22   | 71    | 7   | 19                | 68    | 13  | 41                   | 40   | 47                |
| Thailand                        | 32  | 64    | 4   | 22   | 67    | 6   | 23                | 66    | 11  | 56                   | 42   | 52                |
| Viet Nam                        | 39  | 56    | 5   | 33   | 59    | 8   | 29                | 64    | 7   | 79                   | 69   | 56                |
| <b>South Asia</b>               |   |       |     |      |       |     |                   |       |     |                      |      |                   |
| Bangladesh                      | 41  | 56    | 3   | 44   | 52    | 4   | 35                | 59    | 6   | 80                   | 94   | 69                |
| Bhutan                          | 42  | 54    | 4   | 43   | 53    | 4   | 38                | 55    | 7   | 85                   | 89   | 82                |
| India                           | 36  | 60    | 4   | 34   | 60    | 6   | 32                | 60    | 8   | 67                   | 66   | 67                |
| Maldives                        | 47  | 50    | 3   | 41   | 55    | 4   | 33                | 61    | 6   | 100                  | 81   | 64                |
| Nepal                           | 42  | 55    | 3   | 40   | 56    | 4   | 37                | 57    | 6   | 83                   | 79   | 75                |
| Sri Lanka                       | 35  | 61    | 4   | 35   | 61    | 4   | 24                | 65    | 11  | 65                   | 65   | 54                |
| <b>Central and West Asia</b>    |   |       |     |      |       |     |                   |       |     |                      |      |                   |
| Afghanistan                     | 44  | 53    | 3   | 44   | 52    | 5   | 46                | 50    | 4   | 89                   | 93   | 100               |
| Armenia <sup>c</sup>            | 30  | 64    | 6   | 25   | 66    | 9   | 20                | 66    | 14  | 56                   | 51   | 52                |
| Azerbaijan                      | 33  | 62    | 5   | 30   | 64    | 6   | 25                | 66    | 9   | 61                   | 56   | 52                |
| Georgia                         | 25  | 66    | 9   | 20   | 66    | 13  | 18                | 64    | 18  | 51                   | 51   | 56                |
| Kazakhstan                      | 32  | 63    | 6   | 28   | 65    | 7   | 23                | 66    | 11  | 60                   | 53   | 52                |
| Kyrgyz Republic                 | 37  | 58    | 5   | 35   | 60    | 5   | 31                | 61    | 8   | 74                   | 67   | 64                |
| Pakistan                        | 46  | 52    | 3   | 43   | 59    | 4   | 38                | 56    | 6   | 93                   | 80   | 79                |
| Tajikistan                      | 43  | 53    | 4   | 42   | 54    | 4   | 38                | 57    | 5   | 89                   | 85   | 75                |
| Turkmenistan                    | 40  | 56    | 5   | 38   | 58    | 4   | 31                | 63    | 6   | 80                   | 72   | 59                |
| Uzbekistan                      | 41  | 55    | 4   | 36   | 57    | 7   | 32                | 62    | 6   | 81                   | 77   | 61                |
| <b>Pacific</b>                  |   |       |     |      |       |     |                   |       |     |                      |      |                   |
| Cook Islands                    | 37  | 58    | 5   | 34   | 61    | 5   | 30                | 59    | 11  | 72                   | 64   | 69                |
| Fiji Islands                    | 37  | 60    | 4   | 32   | 64    | 4   | 31                | 62    | 7   | 67                   | 57   | 61                |
| Kiribati                        | 40  | 56    | 3   | 41   | 55    | 4   | 39                | 56    | 5   | 78                   | 81   | 79                |
| Marshall Islands                | 51  | 46    | 3   | 42   | 56    | 3   | 38                | 58    | 4   | 117                  | 80   | 72                |
| Micronesia, Fed. States of      | 46  | 50    | 4   | 40   | 56    | 4   | 39                | 56    | 5   | 99                   | 78   | 79                |
| Nauru <sup>d</sup>              | 42  | 57    | 1   | 39   | 59    | 2   | 39                | 58    | 3   | 75                   | 69   | 72                |
| Palau                           | 30  | 64    | 6   | 24   | 71    | 5   | 26                | 67    | 7   | 57                   | 41   | 49                |
| Papua New Guinea                | 40  | 57    | 2   | 39   | 58    | 4   | 40                | 56    | 4   | 75                   | 74   | 79                |
| Samoa                           | 39  | 56    | 4   | 42   | 54    | 5   | 41                | 52    | 7   | 77                   | 86   | 92                |
| Solomon Islands                 | 46  | 52    | 3   | 45   | 51    | 4   | 40                | 56    | 4   | 94                   | 96   | 79                |
| Timor-Leste                     | 42  | 56    | 2   | 44   | 53    | 3   | 41                | 54    | 5   | 77                   | 88   | 85                |
| Tonga                           | 41  | 55    | 4   | 37   | 57    | 5   | 35                | 56    | 9   | 82                   | 75   | 79                |
| Tuvalu <sup>e</sup>             | 35  | 59    | 6   | 33   | 58    | 9   | 36                | 55    | 9   | 68                   | 73   | 82                |
| Vanuatu                         | 44  | 52    | 4   | 42   | 55    | 3   | 39                | 56    | 5   | 91                   | 83   | 79                |

a Due to the limited data availability, the 2006 age dependency ratio is not comparable to 1990 and 2000. The estimate is based on the 2006 age groups 0-14, 15-60, and 60 and over.

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

c Data for 1990 are 1996 staff estimates.

d Data for 2000 are from the 2001 Census of Population.

e Data for 1990 are from the Census of Population.

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