

THE PRESENT SITUATION OF POVERTY IN THE WORLD

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	YEAR	(%)	YEAR	(%)	YEAR	(%)	YEAR	(%)	YEAR	(%)
Algeria	1995	35.3	1995	<2	1995	<0.5	1995	22.6	1995	7.0 ^b
Armenia	1998	37.9	1998	12.8	1998	3.3	1998	55.0	1998	6.7 ^b
Australia	1994	35.2								5.9 ^c
Austria	1995	30.5								7.0 ^c
Azerbaijan	2001	36.5	2001	3.7	2001	<1	1995	68.1	1995	7.4 ^b
Bangladesh	2000	31.8	2000	36.0	2000	8.1	2000	33.7	2000	9.0 ^b
Belarus	2000	30.4	2000	<2	2000	<0.5	2000	41.9	2000	8.4 ^b
Belgium	1996	25.0								8.3 ^c
Benin							1995	33.0	1995	
Bolivia	1999	44.7	1999	14.4	1999	5.4	1999	62.7	1999	4.0 ^b
Bosnia and Herzegovina							2001/02	19.5	2001/02	
Botswana	1993	63.0	1993	23.5	1993	7.7				2.2 ^b
Brazil	1998	60.7	1998	9.9	1998	3.2	1990	17.4	1990	2.2 ^c
Bulgaria	2001	31.9	2001	4.7	2001	1.4				6.7 ^c
Burkina Faso	1998	48.2	1994	61.2	1994	25.5	1998	45.3	1998	4.5 ^b
Burundi	1998	33.3	1998	58.4	1998	24.9	1990	36.2	1990	5.1 ^b
Cambodia	1997	40.4					1997	36.1	1997	6.9 ^b
Cameroon	1996	47.7	1996	33.4	1996	11.8	1984	40.0	1984	4.6 ^b
Canada	1997	31.5								7.3 ^c
Central African Republic	1993	61.3	1993	66.6	1993	38.1				2.0 ^b
Chad							1995/96	64.0	1995/96	
Chile	1998	57.5	1998	<2	1998	<0.5	1998	17.0	1998	3.2 ^c
China	1998	40.3	2000	16.1	2000	3.7	1998	4.6	1998	5.9 ^c
Colombia	1996	57.1	1998	14.4	1998	8.1	1992	17.7	1992	3.0 ^c
Costa Rica	1997	45.9	1998	6.9	1998	3.4	1992	22.0	1992	4.4 ^c
Côte d'Ivoire	1995	36.7	1995	12.3	1995	2.4	1995	36.8	1995	7.1 ^b
Croatia	2001	29.0	2000	<2	2000	<0.5				8.3 ^b
Czech Republic	1996	25.4	1996	<2	1996	<0.5				10.3 ^c
Denmark	1997	24.7								8.3 ^c
Djibouti							1996	45.1	1996	
Dominican Republic	1998	47.4	1998	<2	1998	<0.5	1992	20.6	1992	5.1 ^c
Ecuador	1995	43.7	1995	20.2	1995	5.8	1994	35.0	1994	5.4 ^b
Egypt	1999	34.4	2000	3.1	2000	<0.5	1999/2000	16.7	1999/2000	8.6 ^b
El Salvador	1998	50.8	1997	21.4	1997	7.9	1992	48.3	1992	3.3 ^c
Eritrea							1993/94	53.0	1993/94	
Estonia	1998	37.6	1998	<2	1998	<0.5	1995	8.9	1995	7.0 ^c
Ethiopia	2000	57.2	1999/00	81.9	1999/00	39.9	1999/2000	44.2	1999/2000	2.4 ^b
Finland	1995	25.6								10.1 ^c
France	1995	32.7								7.2 ^c
Gambia	1998	47.8	1998	59.3	1998	28.8	1998		1998	4.0 ^b
Georgia	2000	38.9	1998	<2	1998	<0.5	1997	11.1	1997	6.0 ^b
Germany	1998	38.2								5.7 ^c
Ghana	1999	39.6	1999	44.8	1999	17.3	1992	31.4	1992	5.6 ^b
Greece	1998	35.4								7.1 ^c
Guatemala	1998	55.8	2000	16.0	2000	4.6	1989	57.9	1989	3.8 ^c
Guinea	1994	40.3					1994	40.0	1994	6.4 ^b
Guinea/Bissau	1993	47.0					1991	48.7	1991	5.2 ^b
Guyana	1999	44.6	1998	<2	1998	<0.5	1993	43.2	1993	4.5 ^b
Honduras	1998	59.0	1998	23.8	1998	11.6	1993	53.0	1993	2.0 ^c
Hong Kong (China)	1996	43.4								5.3 ^c
Hungary	1998	24.4	1998	<2	1998	<0.5	1997	17.3	1997	10.0 ^b
India	1997	37.8	1999/2000	34.7	1999/2000	8.2	1999/2000	28.6	1999/2000	8.1 ^b
Indonesia	2000	30.3	2000	7.2	2000	1.0	1999	27.1	1999	8.4 ^b
Iran, Islamic Rep.	1998	43.0	1998	<2	1998	<0.5				5.1 ^b
Ireland	1987	35.9								6.7 ^c
Israel	1997	35.5								6.9 ^c
Italy	1998	36.0								6.0 ^c
Jamaica	2000	37.9	2000	<2	2000	<0.5	2000	18.7	2000	6.7 ^b
Japan	1993	24.9								10.6 ^c
Jordan	1997	36.4	1997	<2	1997	<0.5	1997	11.7	1997	7.6 ^b
Kazakhstan	2001	31.2	1996	1.5	1996	0.3	1996	34.6	1996	8.2 ^b
Kenya	1997	44.5	1997	23.0	1997	6.0	1992	42.0	1992	5.6 ^b
Korea, Rep.	1998	31.6	1998	<2	1998	<0.5				7.9 ^c
Kyrgyzstan	2001	29.0	2000	2.0	2000	0.2	1999	64.1	1999	9.1 ^b
Lao PDR	1997	37.0	1997/98	26.3	1997/98	6.3	1997/98	38.6	1997/98	7.6 ^b
Latvia	1998	32.4	1998	<2	1998	<0.5				7.6 ^c
Lesotho	1995	56.0	1993	43.1	1993	20.3	1993	49.2	1993	1.4 ^b

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	YEAR	(%)	YEAR	(%)	YEAR	(%)	YEAR	(%)	YEAR	(%)
Lithuania	2000	36.3	2000	<2	2000	<0.5				7.9 ^B
Luxembourg	1998	30.8								8.0 ^C
Macedonia, FYR	1998	28.2	1998	<2	1998	<0.5				8.4 ^B
Madagascar	1999	46.0	1999	49.1	1999	18.3	1999	71.3	1999	6.4 ^B
Malawi	1997	50.3	1997/98	41.7	1997/98	14.8	1997/98	65.3	1997/98	4.9 ^B
Malaysia	1997	49.2	1997	<2	1997	<0.5	1989	15.5	1989	4.4 ^C
Mali	1994	50.5	1994	72.8	1994	37.4				4.6 ^B
Mauritania	1995	37.3	1995	28.6	1995	9.1	2000	46.3	2000	6.4 ^B
Mauritius							1992	10.6	1992	
Mexico	1998	51.9	1998	8.0	1998	2.1	1988	10.1	1988	3.4 ^C
Moldova	2001	36.2	2001	22.0	2001	5.8	1997	23.3	1997	7.1 ^B
Mongolia	1998	44.0	1995	13.9	1995	3.1	1995	36.3	1995	5.6 ^B
Morocco	1999	39.5	1999	<2	1999	<0.5	1998/99	19.0	1998/99	6.5 ^B
Mozambique	1997	39.6	1996	37.9	1996	12.0	1996/97	69.4	1996/97	6.5 ^B
Namibia	1993	70.7	1993	34.9	1993	14.0				1.4 ^C
Nepal	1996	36.7	1995	37.7	1995	9.7	1995/96	42.0	1995/96	7.6 ^B
Netherlands	1994	32.6								7.3 ^C
New Zealand	1997	36.2								6.4 ^C
Nicaragua	1998	60.3	1998	82.3	1998	52.2	1998	47.9	1998	2.3 ^B
Niger	1995	50.5	1995	61.4	1995	33.9	1989/93	63.0	1989/93	2.6 ^B
Nigeria	1997	50.6	1997	70.2	1997	34.9	1992/93	34.1	1992/93	4.4 ^B
Norway	1995	25.8								9.7 ^C
Pakistan	1999	33.0	1998	13.4	1998	2.4	1998/99	32.6	1998/99	8.8 ^B
Panama	1997	48.5	1998	7.6	1998	2.9	1997	37.3	1997	3.6 ^B
Papua New Guinea	1996	50.9					1996	37.5	1996	4.5 ^B
Paraguay	1998	57.7	1998	19.5	1998	9.8	1991	21.8	1991	1.9 ^C
Peru	1996	46.2	1996	15.5	1996	5.4	1997	49.0	1997	4.4 ^C
Philippines	2000	46.1	2000	14.6	2000	2.7	1997	36.8	1997	5.4 ^B
Poland	1998	31.6	1998	<2	1998	<0.5	1993	23.8	1993	7.8 ^B
Portugal	1997	38.5	1994	<2	1994	<0.5				5.8 ^C
Romania	2000	30.3	2000	2.1	2000	0.6	1994	21.5	1994	8.2 ^B
Russian Federation	2000	45.6	2000	6.1	2000	1.2	1994	30.9	1994	4.9 ^B
Rwanda	1985	28.9	1983/85	35.7	1983/85	7.7	1993	51.2	1993	9.7 ^B
Senegal	1995	41.3	1995	26.3	1995	7.0	1992	33.4	1992	6.4 ^B
Sierra Leone	1989	62.9	1989	57.0	1989	39.5	1989	68.0	1989	1.1 ^B
Singapore	1998	42.5								5.0 ^C
Slovakia	1996	25.8	1996	<2	1996	<0.5				8.8 ^C
Slovenia	1998	28.4	1998	<2	1998	<0.5				9.1 ^C
South Africa	1995	59.3	1995	<2	1995	<0.5				2.0 ^B
Spain	1990	32.5								7.5 ^C
Sri Lanka	1995	34.4	1995/96	6.6	1995/96	1.0	1995/96	25.0	1995/96	8.0 ^B
St. Lucia	1995	42.6								5.2 ^C
Swaziland	1994	60.9					1995	40.0	1995	2.7 ^C
Sweden	1995	25.0								9.1 ^C
Switzerland	1992	33.1								6.9 ^C
Tajikistan	1998	34.7	1998	10.3	1998	2.6				8.0 ^B
Tanzania	1993	38.2	1993	19.9	1993	4.8	1993	41.6	1993	6.8 ^B
Thailand	2000	43.2	2000	<2	2000	<0.5	1992	13.1	1992	6.1 ^B
Togo							1987/89	32.3	1987/89	
Trinidad and Tobago	1992	40.3	1992	12.4	1992	3.5	1992	21.0	1992	5.5 ^C
Tunisia	1995	41.7	1995	<2	1995	<0.5	1995	7.6	1995	5.7 ^B
Turkey	2000	40.0	2000	<2	2000	<0.5				6.1 ^B
Turkmenistan	1998	40.8	1998	12.1	1998	2.6				6.1 ^B
Uganda	1996	37.4	1996	82.2	1996	40.1	1993	55.0	1993	7.1 ^B
Ukraine	1999	29.0	1999	2.9	1999	0.6	1995	31.7	1995	8.8 ^B
United Kingdom	1995	36.0								6.1 ^C
United States of America	1997	40.8								5.2 ^C
Uruguay	1998	44.8	1998	<2	1998	<0.5				4.5 ^C
Uzbekistan	2000	26.8	1998	19.1	1998	8.1				9.2 ^B
Venezuela	1998	49.5	1998	15.0	1998	6.9	1989	31.3	1989	3.0 ^C
Viet Nam	1998	36.1	1998	17.7	1998	3.3	1993	50.9	1993	8.0 ^B
Yemen	1998	33.4	1998	15.7	1998	4.5	1998	41.8	1998	7.4 ^B
Zambia	1998	52.6	1998	63.7	1998	32.7	1998	72.9	1998	3.3 ^B
Zimbabwe	1995	56.8	1990/91	36.0	1990/91	9.6	1995/96	34.9	1995/96	4.6 ^B

Note: Countries in alphabetical order. A: Last available data within the period. B: Refers to expenditure shares by percentiles of population, ranked by per capita expenditure. C: Refers to income shares.

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