

**Population Living below \$1.25 and \$2 a day | 1981–2005**  
percent

**Population living below \$1.25 a day (2005 PPP)**

Developing-country groups	1981	1984	1987	1990	1993	1996	1999	2002	2005
East Asia and Pacific	77.7	65.5	54.2	54.7	50.8	36.0	35.5	27.6	16.8
China	84.0	69.4	54.0	60.2	53.7	36.4	35.6	28.4	15.9
Europe and Central Asia	1.7	1.3	1.1	2.0	4.3	4.6	5.1	4.6	3.7
Latin America and the Caribbean	12.9	15.3	13.7	11.3	10.1	10.9	10.9	10.7	8.2
Middle East and North Africa	7.9	6.1	5.7	4.3	4.1	4.1	4.2	3.6	3.6
South Asia	59.4	55.6	54.2	51.7	46.9	47.1	44.1	43.8	40.3
India	59.8	55.5	53.6	51.3	49.4	46.6	44.8	43.9	41.6
Sub-Saharan Africa	53.4	55.8	54.5	57.6	56.9	58.8	58.4	55.0	50.9
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>51.9</b>	<b>46.7</b>	<b>41.9</b>	<b>41.7</b>	<b>39.2</b>	<b>34.5</b>	<b>33.7</b>	<b>30.5</b>	<b>25.2</b>
excluding China	39.9	38.5	37.6	35.2	34.2	33.8	33.1	31.2	28.1

**Population living below \$2 a day (2005 PPP)**

Developing-country groups	1981	1984	1987	1990	1993	1996	1999	2002	2005
East Asia and Pacific	92.6	88.5	81.6	79.8	75.8	64.1	61.8	51.9	38.7
China	97.8	92.9	83.7	84.6	78.6	65.1	61.4	51.2	36.3
Europe and Central Asia	8.3	6.5	5.6	6.9	10.3	11.9	14.3	12.0	8.9
Latin America and the Caribbean	24.6	28.1	24.9	21.9	20.7	22.0	21.8	21.6	17.1
Middle East and North Africa	26.7	23.1	22.7	19.7	19.8	20.2	19.0	17.6	16.9
South Asia	86.5	84.8	83.9	82.7	79.7	79.9	77.2	77.1	73.9
India	86.6	84.8	83.8	82.6	81.7	79.8	78.4	77.6	75.6
Sub-Saharan Africa	73.8	75.5	74.0	76.1	75.9	77.9	77.6	75.6	72.9
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>69.4</b>	<b>67.7</b>	<b>64.3</b>	<b>63.4</b>	<b>61.6</b>	<b>58.3</b>	<b>57.1</b>	<b>53.3</b>	<b>47.0</b>
excluding China	58.8	58.5	57.4	55.9	55.8	56.0	55.7	54.0	50.4

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East Asia and Pacific	1,072	947	822	873	845	622	635	507	316
China	835	720	586	683	633	443	447	363	208
Europe and Central Asia	7	6	5	9	20	22	24	22	17
Latin America and the Caribbean	47	59	57	50	47	53	55	57	45
Middle East and North Africa	14	12	12	10	10	11	12	10	11
South Asia	548	548	569	579	559	594	589	616	596
India	420	416	428	436	444	442	447	460	456
Sub-Saharan Africa	211	242	258	297	317	356	383	390	388
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>1,900</b>	<b>1,814</b>	<b>1,723</b>	<b>1,818</b>	<b>1,799</b>	<b>1,658</b>	<b>1,698</b>	<b>1,601</b>	<b>1,374</b>
excluding China	848			844			835		606

**Population living below \$2 a day (2005 PPP)**

Developing country groups	1981	1984	1987	1990	1993	1996	1999	2002	2005
East Asia and Pacific	1,278	1,280	1,238	1,274	1,262	1,108	1,105	954	729
China	972	963	907	961	926	792	770	655	474
Europe and Central Asia	35	28	25	32	49	56	68	57	42
Latin America and the Caribbean	90	110	103	96	96	107	111	114	94
Middle East and North Africa	46	44	47	44	48	52	52	51	51
South Asia	799	836	881	926	950	1,009	1,031	1,084	1,092
India	609	635	669	702	735	757	783	813	828
Sub-Saharan Africa	294	328	351	393	423	471	509	536	556
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>2,542</b>	<b>2,625</b>	<b>2,646</b>	<b>2,765</b>	<b>2,828</b>	<b>2,803</b>	<b>2,875</b>	<b>2,795</b>	<b>2,564</b>
excluding China	1,574			1,829			2,082		

Source: PovcalNet, World Bank.

Note: PPP = purchasing power parity.