

TABLE 3
Monitoring human development: enlarging people's choices . . .
Human and income poverty: developing countries

HDI rank	Human poverty index (HPI-1)		Probability at birth of not surviving to age 40 ^{a,†} (% of cohort)	Adult illiteracy rate ^{b,†} (% aged 15 and older)	Population not using an improved water source [†] (%)	MDG Children under weight for age [†] (% under age 5) 1996-2005 ^d	MDG Population below income poverty line (%)			HPI-1 rank minus income poverty rank ^c
	Rank	Value (%)					\$1 a day 1990-2005 ^d	\$2 a day 1990-2005 ^d	National poverty line 1990-2004 ^d	
HIGH HUMAN DEVELOPMENT										
21	Hong Kong, China (SAR)	..	..	1.5 ^e	..	..	..	..	..	..
25	Singapore	7	5.2	1.8	7.5	0	3	..	..	..
26	Korea (Republic of)	..	..	2.5	1.0	8	..	<2	<2	..
28	Cyprus	..	..	2.4	3.2	0	..	..	..	..
30	Brunei Darussalam	..	..	3.0	7.3	..	..	..	..	..
31	Barbados	1	3.0	3.7	.. ^f	0	6 ^{e,g}	..	..	..
33	Kuwait	..	..	2.7	6.7	..	10	..	..	..
35	Qatar	13	7.8	3.7	11.0	0	6 ^e	..	..	..
38	Argentina	4	4.1	4.9	2.8	4	4	6.6	17.4	..
39	United Arab Emirates	17	8.4	2.1	11.3 ^h	0	14 ^e	..	..	..
40	Chile	3	3.7	3.5	4.3	5	1	<2	5.6	17.0
41	Bahrain	..	..	3.4	13.5	..	9 ^e	..	..	..
46	Uruguay	2	3.5	4.3	3.2	0	5 ^e	<2	5.7	..
48	Costa Rica	5	4.4	3.7	5.1	3	5	3.3	9.8	22.0
49	Bahamas	..	..	10.6	..	3	..	..	..	..
50	Seychelles	..	..	..	8.2	12	6 ^{e,g}	..	..	..
51	Cuba	6	4.7	3.1	.. ⁱ	9	4	..	..	..
52	Mexico	10	6.8	5.8	8.4	3	8	3.0	11.6	17.6
54	Saint Kitts and Nevis	..	..	..	2.2 ^j	0	..	..	..	..
55	Tonga	..	..	5.0	1.1	0	..	..	..	..
56	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	..	..	4.6	15.8 ^h	..	5 ^e	..	..	..
57	Antigua and Barbuda	..	..	..	14.2 ^k	9	10 ^{e,g}	..	..	..
58	Oman	..	..	3.7	18.6	..	18	..	..	..
59	Trinidad and Tobago	12	7.3	9.1	1.6 ^h	9	6	12.4	39.0	21.0
61	Saudi Arabia	..	..	5.7	17.1	..	14	..	..	..
62	Panama	15	8.0	6.5	8.1	10	8	7.4	18.0	37.3
63	Malaysia	16	8.3	4.4	11.3	1	11	<2	9.3	15.5 ^e
65	Mauritius	27	11.4	5.1 ^e	15.7	0	15 ^e	..	..	..
70	Brazil	23	9.7	9.2	11.4	10	6	7.5	21.2	21.5
MEDIUM HUMAN DEVELOPMENT										
71	Dominica	..	..	..	12.0 ^k	3	5 ^{e,g}	..	..	..
72	Saint Lucia	8	6.5	5.6	5.2 ^k	2	14 ^{e,g}	..	..	..
74	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	21	8.8	7.3	7.0	17	5	18.5	40.1	31.3 ^e
75	Colombia	14	7.9	9.2	7.2	7	7	7.0	17.8	64.0
77	Samoa	..	..	6.6	1.4 ^h	12	..	..	..	..
78	Thailand	24	10.0	12.1	7.4	1	18 ^e	<2	25.2	13.6
79	Dominican Republic	26	10.5	10.5	13.0	5	5	2.8	16.2	42.2
80	Belize	43	17.5	5.4	24.9 ^k	9	6 ^{e,g}	..	..	..
81	China	29	11.7	6.8 ^e	9.1	23	8	9.9	34.9	4.6
82	Grenada	..	..	9.7	4.0 ^k	5	..	..	..	..
84	Turkey	22	9.2	6.5	12.6	4	4	3.4	18.7	27.0
85	Suriname	25	10.2	9.8	10.4	8	13	..	..	..
86	Jordan	11	6.9	6.4	8.9	3	4	<2	7.0	14.2
87	Peru	28	11.6	9.7	12.1	17	8	10.5	30.6	53.1
88	Lebanon	18	8.5	6.3	.. ^f	0	4	..	..	..
89	Ecuador	19	8.7	8.1	9.0	6	12	17.7	40.8	46.0
90	Philippines	37	15.3	7.0	7.4	15	28	14.8	43.0	36.8
91	Tunisia	45	17.9	4.6	25.7	7	4	<2	6.6	7.6
92	Fiji	50	21.2	6.9	.. ^f	53	8 ^{e,g}	..	..	..
93	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	..	..	6.7	11.9 ^k	..	..	..	..	..
94	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	30	12.9	7.8	17.6	6	11	<2	7.3	..
95	Paraguay	20	8.8	9.7	6.5 ^h	14	5	13.6	29.8	21.8
97	Guyana	33	14.0	16.6	.. ^f	17	14

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99	Sri Lanka	44	17.8	7.2	9.3 ^e	21	29	5.6	41.6	25.0	11
100	Maldives	42	17.0	12.1	3.7	17	30
101	Jamaica	34	14.3	8.3	20.1	7	4	<2	14.4	18.7	21
102	Cape Verde	38	15.8	7.5	18.8 ^h	20	14 ^{e,g}	..	..	..	..
103	El Salvador	35	15.1	9.6	19.4 ^h	16	10	19.0	40.6	37.2	-15
104	Algeria	51	21.5	7.7	30.1	15	10	<2	15.1	22.6	31
105	Viet Nam	36	15.2	6.7	9.7	15	27	..	..	28.9	..
106	Occupied Palestinian Territories	9	6.6	5.2	7.6	8	5	..	..	..	..
107	Indonesia	47	18.2	8.7	9.6	23	28	7.5	52.4	27.1	10
108	Syrian Arab Republic	31	13.6	4.6	19.2	7	7	..	..	..	..
110	Nicaragua	46	17.9	9.5	23.3	21	10	45.1	79.9	47.9	-28
112	Egypt	48	20.0	7.5	28.6	2	6	3.1	43.9	16.7	18
114	Mongolia	40	16.3	11.6	2.2	38	7	10.8	44.6	36.1	0
115	Honduras	41	16.5	12.9	20.0	13	17	14.9	35.7	50.7	-5
117	Bolivia	32	13.6	15.5	13.3	15	8	23.2	42.2	62.7	-21
118	Guatemala	54	22.5	12.5	30.9	5	23	13.5	31.9	56.2	6
119	Gabon	49	20.4	27.1	16.0 ^h	12	12	..	..	..	..
120	Vanuatu	56	24.6	8.8	26.0	40	20 ^{e,g}	..	..	..	..
121	South Africa	55	23.5	31.7	17.6	12	12	10.7	34.1	..	10
123	Sao Tome and Principe	39	15.8	15.1	15.1	21	13	..	..	..	..
124	Botswana	63	31.4	44.0	18.8	5	13	28.0	55.5	..	-9
125	Namibia	58	26.5	35.9	15.0	13	24	34.9	55.8	..	-16
126	Morocco	68	33.4	8.2	47.7	19	10	<2	14.3	19.0	41
127	Equatorial Guinea	66	32.4	35.6	13.0	57	19	..	..	..	..
128	India	62	31.3	16.8	39.0 ^e	14	47	34.3	80.4	28.6	-13
129	Solomon Islands	53	22.4	16.1	23.4 ⁱ	30	21 ^{e,g}	..	..	..	..
130	Lao People's Democratic Republic	70	34.5	16.6	31.3	49	40	27.0	74.1	38.6	-2
131	Cambodia	85	38.6	24.1	26.4	59	45	34.1	77.7	35.0	6
132	Myanmar	52	21.5	21.0	10.1	22	32	..	..	..	..
133	Bhutan	86	38.9	16.8	53.0 ^j	38	19	..	..	..	..
134	Comoros	61	31.3	15.3 ^e	.. ^f	14	25	..	..	..	..
135	Ghana	65	32.3	23.8	42.1	25	22	44.8	78.5	39.5	-16
136	Pakistan	77	36.2	15.4	50.1	9	38	17.0	73.6	32.6	15
137	Mauritania	87	39.2	14.6	48.8	47	32	25.9	63.1	46.3	12
138	Lesotho	71	34.5	47.8	17.8	21	20	36.4	56.1	..	-10
139	Congo	57	26.2	30.1	15.3 ^h	42	15	..	..	..	..
140	Bangladesh	93	40.5	16.4	52.5	26	48	41.3	84.0	49.8	4
141	Swaziland	73	35.4	48.0	20.4	38	10	47.7	77.8	..	-13
142	Nepal	84	38.1	17.4	51.4	10	48	24.1	68.5	30.9	11
143	Madagascar	75	35.8	24.4	29.3	50	42	61.0	85.1	71.3	-20
144	Cameroon	64	31.8	35.7	32.1	34	18	17.1	50.6	40.2	4
145	Papua New Guinea	90	40.3	20.7	42.7	61	35 ^{e,g}	..	..	37.5	..
146	Haiti	74	35.4	21.4	.. ^f	46	17	53.9	78.0	65.0 ^e	-13
147	Sudan	69	34.4	26.1	39.1 ^e	30	41	..	..	..	..
148	Kenya	60	30.8	35.1	26.4	39	20	22.8	58.3	52.0	-4
149	Djibouti	59	28.5	28.6	.. ^f	27	27	..	..	..	..
150	Timor-Leste	95	41.8	21.2	49.9 ^m	42	46	..	..	..	..
151	Zimbabwe	91	40.3	57.4	10.6 ^h	19	17	56.1	83.0	34.9	-4
152	Togo	83	38.1	24.1	46.8	48	25	..	..	32.3 ^e	..
153	Yemen	82	38.0	18.6	45.9 ^h	33	46	15.7	45.2	41.8	21
154	Uganda	72	34.7	38.5	33.2	40	23	37.7	..
155	Gambia	94	40.9	20.9	.. ^f	18	17	59.3	82.9	57.6	-4

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LOW HUMAN DEVELOPMENT											
156	Senegal	97	42.9	17.1	60.7	24	17	17.0	56.2	33.4	28
157	Eritrea	76	36.0	24.1	.. ^f	40	40	53.0	..
158	Nigeria	80	37.3	39.0	30.9 ^h	52	29	70.8	92.4	34.1	-19
159	Tanzania (United Republic of)	67	32.5	36.2	30.6	38	22	57.8	89.9	35.7	-22
160	Guinea	103	52.3	28.6	70.5	50	26	40.0	..
161	Rwanda	78	36.5	44.6	35.1	26	23	60.3	87.8	60.3	-16
162	Angola	89	40.3	46.7	32.6	47	31
163	Benin	100	47.6	27.9	65.3	33	23	30.9	73.7	29.0	16
164	Malawi	79	36.7	44.4	35.9	27	22	20.8	62.9	65.3	11
165	Zambia	96	41.8	53.9	32.0	42	20	63.8	87.2	68.0	-7
166	Côte d'Ivoire	92	40.3	38.6	51.3	16	17	14.8	48.8	..	29
167	Burundi	81	37.6	38.2	40.7	21	45	54.6	87.6	36.4	-8
168	Congo (Democratic Republic of the)	88	39.3	41.1	32.8	54	31
169	Ethiopia	105	54.9	33.3	64.1	78	38	23.0	77.8	44.2	27
170	Chad	108	56.9	32.9	74.3	58	37	64.0	..
171	Central African Republic	98	43.6	46.2	51.4	25	24	66.6	84.0	..	-6
172	Mozambique	101	50.6	45.0	61.3	57	24	36.2	74.1	69.4	12
173	Mali	107	56.4	30.4	76.0	50	33	36.1	72.1	63.8	18
174	Niger	104	54.7	28.7	71.3	54	40	60.6	85.8	63.0 ^e	1
175	Guinea-Bissau	99	44.8	40.5	.. ^f	41	25
176	Burkina Faso	106	55.8	26.5	76.4	39	38	27.2	71.8	46.4	23
177	Sierra Leone	102	51.7	45.6	65.2	43	27	57.0 ^e	74.5 ^e	70.2	4

NOTES

† Denotes indicators used to calculate the human poverty index (HPI-1). For further details, see *Technical note 1*.

a. Data refer to the probability at birth of not surviving to age 40, multiplied by 100.

b. Data refer to national illiteracy estimates from censuses or surveys conducted between 1995 and 2005, unless otherwise specified. Due to differences in methodology and timeliness of underlying data, comparisons across countries and over time should be made with caution. For more details, see <http://www.uis.unesco.org/>.

c. Income poverty refers to the share of the population living on less than \$1 a day. All

countries with an income poverty rate of less than 2% were given equal rank. The rankings are based on countries for which data are available for both indicators. A positive figure indicates that the country performs better in income poverty than in human poverty, a negative the opposite.

d. Data refer to the most recent year available during the period specified.

e. Data refer to a year or period other than that specified, differ from the standard definition or refer to only part of a country.

f. In the absence of recent data, estimates from UNESCO Institute for Statistics 2003 based on outdated census or survey information, were used and should be interpreted with caution: Barbados

0.3, Comoros 43.2, Djibouti 29.7, Eritrea 39.5, Fiji 5.6, Gambia 57.5, Guinea-Bissau 55.2, Guyana 1.0, Haiti 45.2, and Lebanon 11.7.

g. UNICEF 2005.

h. UNESCO Institute for Statistics estimates based on its Global Age-specific Literacy Projections model (2007).

i. An adult illiteracy rate of 0.2 was used to calculate the HPI-1 for Cuba.

j. Data are from national sources.

k. Data are from the Secretariat of the Caribbean Community, based on national sources.

l. UNICEF 2004.

m. UNDP 2006.

SOURCES

Column 1: determined on the basis of HPI-1 values in column 2.

Column 2: calculated on the basis of data in columns 3–6, see *Technical note 1* for details.

Column 3: UN 2007e.

Column 4: calculated on the basis of data on adult literacy rates from UNESCO Institute for Statistics 2007a.

Column 5: UN 2006a, based on a joint effort by UNICEF and WHO.

Column 6: UNICEF 2006.

Columns 7–9: World Bank 2007b.

Column 10: calculated on the basis of data in columns 1 and 7.

HPI-1 ranks for 108 developing countries and areas

1 Barbados	22 Turkey	45 Tunisia	68 Morocco	89 Angola
2 Uruguay	23 Brazil	46 Nicaragua	69 Sudan	90 Papua New Guinea
3 Chile	24 Thailand	47 Indonesia	70 Lao People's Democratic Republic	91 Zimbabwe
4 Argentina	25 Suriname	48 Egypt	71 Lesotho	92 Côte d'Ivoire
5 Costa Rica	26 Dominican Republic	49 Gabon	72 Uganda	93 Bangladesh
6 Cuba	27 Mauritius	50 Fiji	73 Swaziland	94 Gambia
7 Singapore	28 Peru	51 Algeria	74 Haiti	95 Timor-Leste
8 Saint Lucia	29 China	52 Myanmar	75 Madagascar	96 Zambia
9 Occupied Palestinian Territories	30 Iran (Islamic Republic of)	53 Solomon Islands	76 Eritrea	97 Senegal
10 Mexico	31 Syrian Arab Republic	54 Guatemala	77 Pakistan	98 Central African Republic
11 Jordan	32 Bolivia	55 South Africa	78 Rwanda	99 Guinea-Bissau
12 Trinidad and Tobago	33 Guyana	56 Vanuatu	79 Malawi	100 Benin
13 Qatar	34 Jamaica	57 Congo	80 Nigeria	101 Mozambique
14 Colombia	35 El Salvador	58 Namibia	81 Burundi	102 Sierra Leone
15 Panama	36 Viet Nam	59 Djibouti	82 Yemen	103 Guinea
16 Malaysia	37 Philippines	60 Kenya	83 Togo	104 Niger
17 United Arab Emirates	38 Cape Verde	61 Comoros	84 Nepal	105 Ethiopia
18 Lebanon	39 Sao Tome and Principe	62 India	85 Cambodia	106 Burkina Faso
19 Ecuador	40 Mongolia	63 Botswana	86 Bhutan	107 Mali
20 Paraguay	41 Honduras	64 Cameroon	87 Mauritania	108 Chad
21 Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	42 Maldives	65 Ghana	88 Congo (Democratic Republic of the)	
	43 Belize	66 Equatorial Guinea		
	44 Sri Lanka	67 Tanzania (United Republic of)		