

Relative Poverty

- In the UK we have poverty although it is generally different from the desperate poverty we see in LIC's...what is a LIC?
- It is called relative poverty because it is compared with the rest of the population.
- For example, someone in poverty in the UK may still have somewhere to live and food to eat but may not be able to buy new clothes or pay the bills.

Child Poverty

- Children born into poverty are likely to stay in poverty.
- Less access to education.
- Likely to have lower aspirations than more affluent peers.
- This then repeats when they have children

In geography we call this a negative multiplier effect

Who are the poor?





Types of poverty.....

- 1. **Absolute Poverty**: these are people who do not have enough money to buy basic necessities of life such as food, clothing and shelter.
- 2. **Relative poverty**: this means that a person is poor when their standard of living is compared with that of the average person living in the same country.

The World Bank defines absolute (or extreme) poverty as living on below US\$1 a day, and moderate poverty as living on US\$1 - US\$2 a day. Based on these figures, half the world's population – about three billion people - are considered poor, with one in six living in extreme poverty.

What are the current rates of the national minimum wage?

For 22 or older?
 For 18-21 ?
 All workers under 18 ?

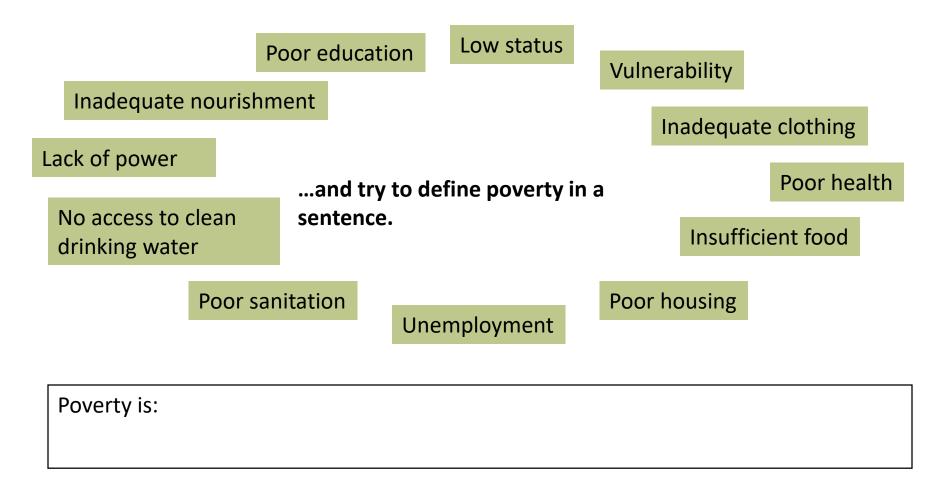
There are three levels of minimum wage, and the rates from April 2022 are:

For 22 or older - £8.91
 For 18-21 ? - £6.56
 All workers under 18 ? - £4.62

The world produces enough food for everyone to eat

but 50 000 die from hunger every day

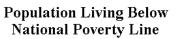
Think about some of the signs that might alert you to the presence of poverty, whether in the UK or overseas...



The Geography of Poverty Global Inequalities

The poor vs. the rich Poverty vs. Wealth

Percent living in poverty

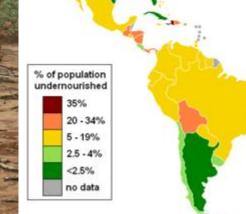


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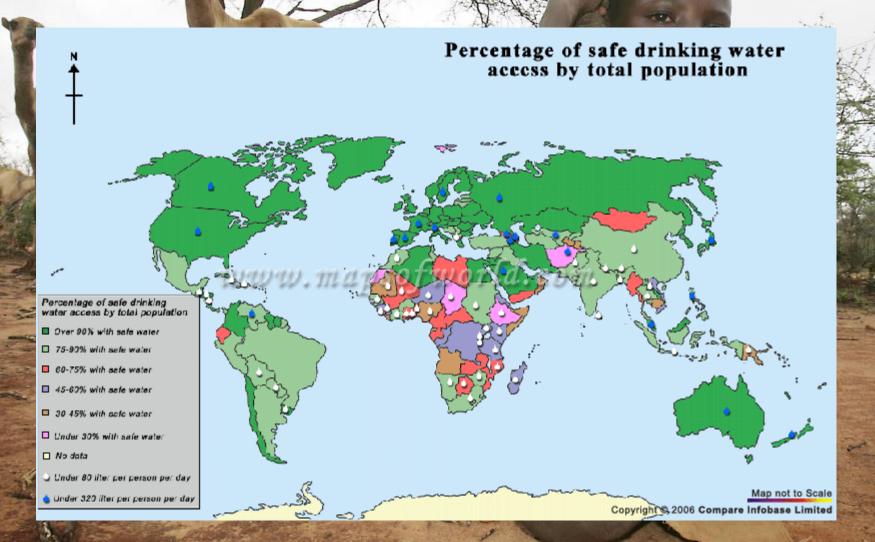
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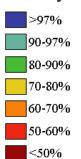


Access to safe drinking water



Education: Literacy





UN Human Development Report 2007/2008

Adequate Health Care

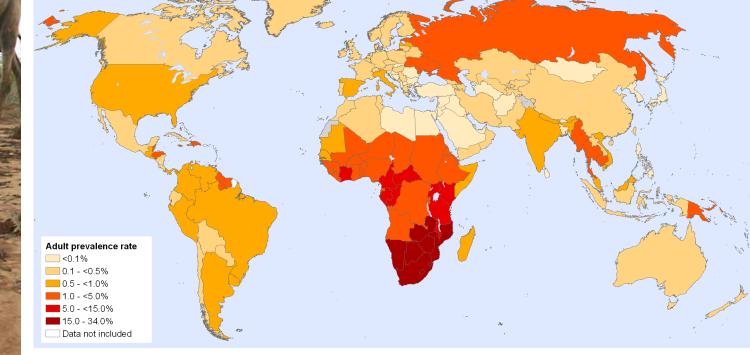
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Share of general government expenditure spent on health care (2003 expenditure ratios)



Disease: HIV

A global view of HIV infection 39.5 million people [34.1-47.1] living with HIV in 2006



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World Wealth

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World Wealth Levels in Year 2000

Wealth per capita (\$)
Under 2000
2000 to 9999
10000 to 49999
Over 50000
No data

Global Oil Reserves

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COUNTRIES WITH LARGEST OIL RESERVES

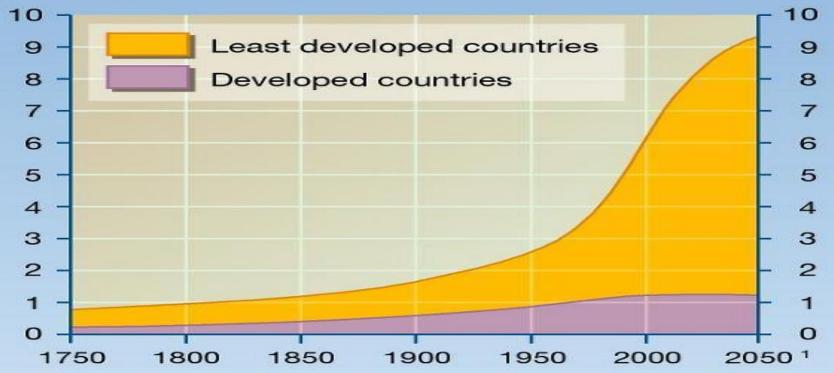
Developed & Undeveloped Countries

Advanced economies In transition Less developed

Least developed

World Population Distribution

Billion human beings



1. According to the medium hypothesis of the United Nations.

Sources: World Population 1998, The World at Six Billion (October 1999) et World Population Prospects: The 2006 Revision (February 2007), United Nations, department of social and economics affairs, population division New York.

If the World Were a Village of 100 People

If we could reduce the world's population to a village of precisely 100 people, with all existing human ratios remaining the same, the demographics would look something like this:

The village would have 61 people from Asia (of that, 20 would be Chinese and 17 would be Indian), 14 from Africa, 11 Europeans, 8 from South America, 5 from North America, and 1 from the South Pacific (Australia & Oceania).

51 would be male, 49 would be female. 80 would live in substandard

housing.

 67 would be unable to read. 50 would be malnourished and 1 dying of starvation. 33 would be without access to a safe water supply. 63 would lack access to improved sanitation.

 24 would not have any electricity (And of the 76 that do have electricity, most would only use it for light at night.) 1 would have a college education

1 would have HIV

- 26 villagers would smoke
 - 14 villagers would be obese.
 - 2 would be near birth; 1 near death

 5 would control 32% of the entire world's wealth; all 5 would be US citizens

 33 would be receiving --and attempting to live on-- only 3% of the income of "the village" At least 18 villagers would be unable to read or write but 33 would have mobile phones and 16 would be online on the Internet.

30 villagers would be unemployed or underemployed while of those 70 who would work, 28 would work in agriculture, 14 would work in industry and the remaining 28 would work in the service sector.

 53 villagers would live on less than two U.S. dollars a day.

