

DATA & APPLICATIONS ONLINE

The Global Poverty Mapping Project

Overview

Advances in data collection and technology make it possible to depict poverty with greater spatial detail than ever before, helping to better target poverty alleviation policies and programs.

Working in collaboration with the World Bank, the *Global Poverty Mapping Project* collected poverty data from around the world, integrating it spatially and making it available to the public in the form of easy-to-download tabular and spatial data sets and maps.

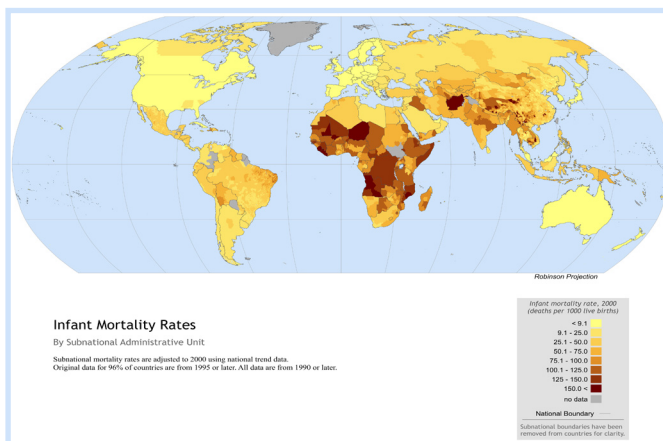
These data facilitate better understanding of both the underlying causes of poverty and how poverty may be related to geographical and biophysical factors. They support efforts to monitor progress towards meeting the UN Millennium Development Goals and to target needed interventions.

Data

Go to <http://sedac.ciesin.columbia.edu/povmap> to download global data sets of malnutrition and infant mortality rates as tables, shapefiles, and grids (1/4 degree and 2.5 arc-minutes); and national data sets of small area estimate consumption-based poverty and inequality indicators. Also available: poverty and food security case study data in the form of tables and shapefiles; and maps, catalogs, and metadata.

Project Highlights

- Global and regional data concerning the distribution of infant mortality and child hunger.



- Subnational, small area estimate data of poverty and inequality at high resolution.
- Searchable online map gallery containing more than 300 maps, downloadable in pdf format.
- *Where the Poor Are: An Atlas of Poverty*, a full-color atlas with 21 pages of featured maps along with practical examples of how georeferenced poverty data sets have been used, and may be used, in decision making and poverty interventions. Available in PDF on the *Global Distribution of Poverty* Web site.

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