

Evolution of the inequality in income or expenditure based on Gini index

Gini index Measures the extent to which the distribution of income (or consumption) among individuals or households within a country deviates from a perfectly equal distribution. A value of 0 represents perfect equality, a value of 100 perfect inequality.

Gini Index Rank	Rank in HDI index						
Gini data collected in 1998-2003	HDI Rank in 2005	Country	Last Gini index		Previous Gini index 1991-98		diff Gini index
121	117	Bolivia	60.1	2002	44.7	1999	15.4
95	142	Nepal	47.2	2004	36.7	1996	10.5
111	89	Ecuador	53.6	1998	43.7	1995	9.9
48	20	Italy	36.0	2000	27.3	1995	8.7
97	143	Madagascar	47.5	2001	38.9	1999	8.6
90	154	Uganda	45.7	2002	37.4	1996	8.3
16	64	Belarus	29.7	2002	21.7	1998	8.0
87	166	Côte d'Ivoire	44.6	2002	36.7	1998	7.9
96	172	Mozambique	47.3	2003	39.6	1997	7.7
115	62	Panama	56.1	2002	48.5	1997	7.6
89	101	Jamaica	45.5	2000	37.9	1998	7.6
100	48	Costa Rica	49.8	2001	42.3	1989	7.5
125	138	Lesotho	63.2	1995	56.3	1987	6.9
93	81	China	46.9	2001	40.3	1998	6.6
6	42	Slovakia	25.8	1996	19.5	1992	6.3
69	99	Sri Lanka	40.2	2000	34.4	1995	5.8
109	87	Peru	52.0	2002	46.2	1996	5.8
39	112	Egypt	34.4	2000	28.9	1995	5.5
55	45	Latvia	37.7	2003	32.4	1998	5.3
28	17	Belgium	33.0	2000	28.7	1996	4.3
108	79	Dominican Republic	51.6	2003	47.4	1998	4.2
49	43	Lithuania	36.0	2003	32.4	1996	3.6
70	96	Georgia	40.4	2003	37.1	1996	3.3
56	29	Portugal	38.5	1997	35.6	1995	2.9
40	37	Poland	34.5	2002	31.6	1998	2.9
15	53	Bulgaria	29.2	2003	26.4	1997	2.8
88	46	Uruguay	44.9	2003	42.3	1989	2.6
37	107	Indonesia	34.3	2002	31.7	1999	2.6
9	36	Hungary	26.9	2002	24.4	1998	2.5
58	86	Jordan	38.8	2003	36.4	1994	2.4
43	13	Spain	34.7	2000	32.5	1990	2.2
83	84	Turkey	43.6	2003	41.5	1994	2.1
61	137	Mauritania	39.0	2000	37.3	1995	1.7
36	24	Greece	34.3	2000	32.7	1993	1.6
119	75	Colombia	58.6	2003	57.1	1996	1.5
8	11	Finland	26.9	2000	25.6	1991	1.3
71	12	United States	40.8	2000	40.8	1997	1.3
24	4	Canada	32.6	2000	31.5	1994	1.1
63	23	Israel	39.2	2001	38.1	1997	1.1
32	7	Switzerland	33.7	2000	33.1	1992	0.6
76	78	Thailand	42.0	2002	41.4	1998	0.6
51	98	Azerbaijan	36.5	2002	36.0	1995	0.5
110	103	El Salvador	52.4	2002	52.2	1998	0.2
5	2	Norway	25.8	2000	25.8	1995	0.0
3	6	Sweden	25.0	2000	25.0	1992	0.0
1	14	Denmark	24.7	1997	24.7	1992	0.0
23	26	Korea (Republic of)	31.6	1998	31.6	1993	0.0
4	32	Czech Republic	25.4	1996	25.4	1996	0.0
13	47	Croatia	29.0	2001	29.0	1998	0.0
106	145	Papua New Guinea	50.9	1996	50.9	1996	0.0
74	156	Senegal	41.3	2001	41.3	1995	0.0
123	171	Central African Republic	61.3	1993	61.3	1991	0.0
104	174	Niger	50.5	1995	50.5	1995	0.0
124	177	Sierra Leone	62.9	1989	62.9	1989	0.0
21	60	Romania	31.0	2003	31.1	1998	-0.1
77	167	Burundi	42.4	1998	42.5	1998	-0.1
30	140	Bangladesh	33.4	2000	33.6	1996	-0.2
27	114	Mongolia	32.8	1998	33.2	1995	-0.4

19	136	Pakistan	30.6	2002	31.2	1997	-0.6
114	118	Guatemala	55.1	2002	55.8	1998	-0.7
47	16	United Kingdom	36.0	1999	36.8	1995	-0.8
10	76	Ukraine	28.1	2003	29.0	1999	-0.9
54	128	India	36.8	2000	37.8	1997	-1.0
98	74	Venezuela	48.2	2000	49.5	1998	-1.3
34	73	Kazakhstan	33.9	2000	35.4	1996	-1.5
117	121	South Africa	57.8	2000	59.3	1994	-1.5
35	5	Ireland	34.3	2000	35.9	1987	-1.6
57	160	Guinea	38.6	2003	40.3	1994	-1.7
11	22	Germany	28.3	2000	30.0	1994	-1.7
20	9	Netherlands	30.9	1999	32.6	1994	-1.7
113	40	Chile	54.9	2000	56.6	1998	-1.7
85	90	Philippines	44.5	2000	46.2	1997	-1.7
38	105	Viet Nam	34.4	2002	36.1	1998	-1.7
46	44	Estonia	35.8	2003	37.6	1998	-1.8
105	165	Zambia	50.8	2004	52.6	1998	-1.8
14	15	Austria	29.1	2000	31.0	1995	-1.9
66	91	Tunisia	39.8	2000	41.7	1995	-1.9
25	122	Tajikistan	32.6	2003	34.7	1998	-2.1
41	130	Lao People's Democratic Republic	34.6	2002	37.0	1997	-2.4
79	148	Kenya	42.5	1997	44.9	1997	-2.4
112	115	Honduras	53.8	2003	56.3	1998	-2.5
86	144	Cameroon	44.6	2001	47.7	1996	-3.1
42	159	Tanzania (United Republic of)	34.6	2001	38.2	1993	-3.6
116	70	Brazil	57.0	2003	60.7	1998	-3.7
18	116	Kyrgyzstan	30.3	2003	34.6	1999	-4.3
84	158	Nigeria	43.7	2003	50.6	1997	-6.9
91	52	Mexico	46.1	2002	53.1	1998	-7.0
29	111	Moldova	33.2	2003	40.6	1997	-7.4
53	113	Uzbekistan	36.8	2000	44.6	1998	-7.8
67	67	Russian Federation	39.9	2002	48.7	1998	-8.8
94	175	Guinea-Bissau	47.0	1993	56.2	1991	-9.2
17	169	Ethiopia	30.0	2000	40.0	1995	-10.0
68	173	Mali	40.1	2001	50.5	1994	-10.4
103	141	Swaziland	50.4	2001	60.9	1994	-10.5
33	83	Armenia	33.8	2003	44.4	1996	-10.6
65	176	Burkina Faso	39.5	2000	55.1	1998	-15.6
81	110	Nicaragua	43.1	2001	60.3	1998	-17.2
44	3	Australia	35.2	1994	35.2	1994	n.a.
2	8	Japan	24.9	1993	24.8	1993	n.a.
26	10	France	32.7	1995	32.7	1995	n.a.
12	27	Slovenia	28.4	1998	28.4	1998	n.a.
59	59	Trinidad and Tobago	38.9	1992	40.3	1992	n.a.
99	63	Malaysia	49.2	1997	49.2	1997	n.a.
118	95	Paraguay	58.4	1998	57.7	1998	n.a.
45	104	Algeria	35.3	1995	35.3	1995	n.a.
72	109	Turkmenistan	40.8	1998	40.8	1998	n.a.
64	126	Morocco	39.5	1999	39.5	1999	n.a.
73	135	Ghana	40.8	1999	40.7	1999	n.a.
101	151	Zimbabwe	50.1	1996	50.1	1996	n.a.
31	153	Yemen	33.4	1998	33.4	1998	n.a.
102	155	Gambia	50.2	1998	50.2	1998	n.a.
	1	Iceland	..	..	..	..	n.a.
	18	Luxembourg	..	..	26.9	1994	n.a.
50	19	New Zealand	36.2	1997	..	..	n.a.
82	21	Hong Kong, China (SAR)	43.4	1996	..	..	n.a.
78	25	Singapore	42.5	1998	..	..	n.a.
	28	Cyprus	..	..	..	..	n.a.
	30	Brunei Darussalam	..	..	..	..	n.a.
	31	Barbados	..	..	..	..	n.a.
	33	Kuwait	..	..	..	..	n.a.
	34	Malta	..	..	..	..	n.a.
	35	Qatar	..	..	..	..	n.a.
107	38	Argentina	51.3	2003	..	..	n.a.

	39	United Arab Emirates	..	..	..	n.a.
	41	Bahrain	..	..	..	n.a.
	49	Bahamas	..	..	..	n.a.
	50	Seychelles	..	..	..	n.a.
	51	Cuba	..	..	..	n.a.
	54	Saint Kitts and Nevis	..	..	..	n.a.
	55	Tonga	..	..	..	n.a.
	56	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	..	..	..	n.a.
	57	Antigua and Barbuda	..	..	..	n.a.
	58	Oman	..	..	..	n.a.
	61	Saudi Arabia	..	..	..	n.a.
	65	Mauritius	..	..	..	n.a.
7	66	Bosnia and Herzegovina	26.2	2001	..	n.a.
22	68	Albania	31.1	2002	..	n.a.
60	69	Macedonia (TFYR)	39.0	2003	..	n.a.
	71	Dominica	..	..	..	n.a.
	72	Saint Lucia	..	42.6	1995	n.a.
	77	Samoa	..	..	..	n.a.
	80	Belize	..	..	..	n.a.
	82	Grenada	..	..	..	n.a.
	85	Suriname	..	..	..	n.a.
	88	Lebanon	..	..	..	n.a.
	92	Fiji	..	..	..	n.a.
	93	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	..	..	..	n.a.
80	94	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	43.0	1995	..	n.a.
	97	Guyana	..	..	..	n.a.
	100	Maldives	..	..	..	n.a.
	102	Cape Verde	..	..	..	n.a.
	106	Occupied Palestinian Territories	..	..	..	n.a.
	108	Syrian Arab Republic	..	..	..	n.a.
	119	Gabon	..	..	..	n.a.
	120	Vanuatu	..	..	..	n.a.
	123	Sao Tome and Principe	..	..	..	n.a.
122	124	Botswana	..	60.5	1993	n.a.
126	125	Namibia	..	74.3	1993	n.a.
	127	Equatorial Guinea	..	..	..	n.a.
	129	Solomon Islands	..	..	..	n.a.
75	131	Cambodia	41.7	1997	..	n.a.
	132	Myanmar	..	..	..	n.a.
	133	Bhutan	..	..	..	n.a.
	134	Comoros	..	..	..	n.a.
	139	Congo	..	..	..	n.a.
120	146	Haiti	59.2	2001	..	n.a.
	147	Sudan	..	..	..	n.a.
	149	Djibouti	..	..	..	n.a.
	150	Timor-Leste	..	..	..	n.a.
	152	Togo	..	..	..	n.a.
	157	Eritrea	..	..	..	n.a.
92	161	Rwanda	46.8	2000	..	n.a.
	162	Angola	..	..	..	n.a.
52	163	Benin	36.5	2003	..	n.a.
62	164	Malawi	39.0	2005	..	n.a.
	168	Congo (Democratic Republic of the)	n.a.
	170	Chad	n.a.

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