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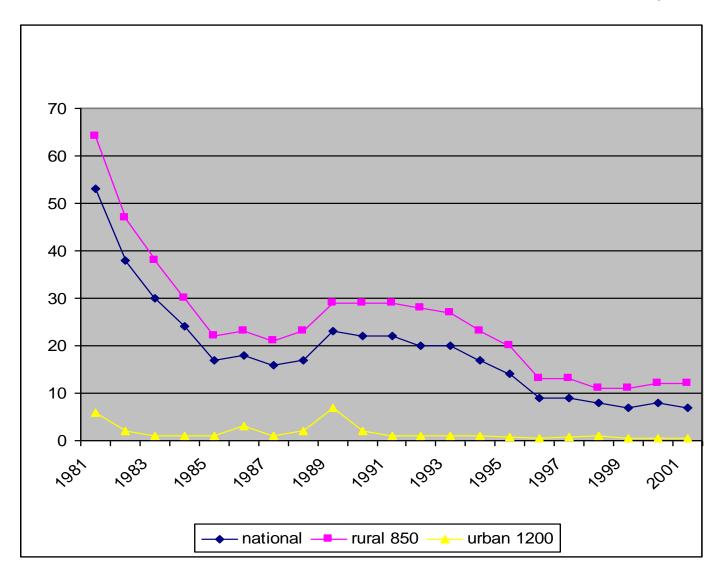
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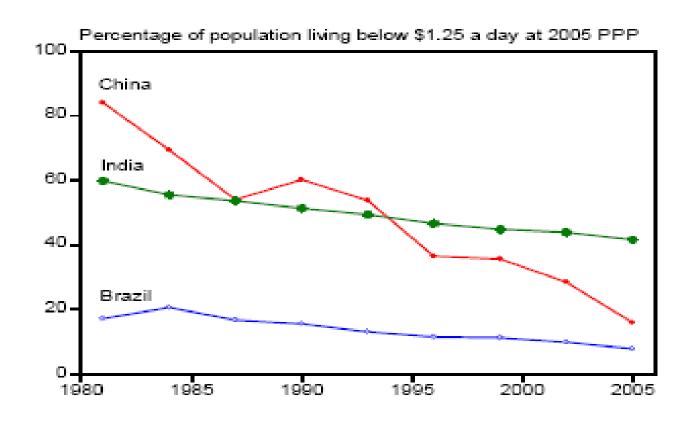
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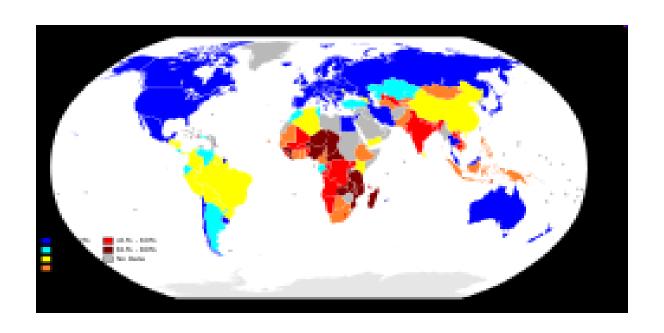


Ravallion comparisons by %: China, India, and Brazil

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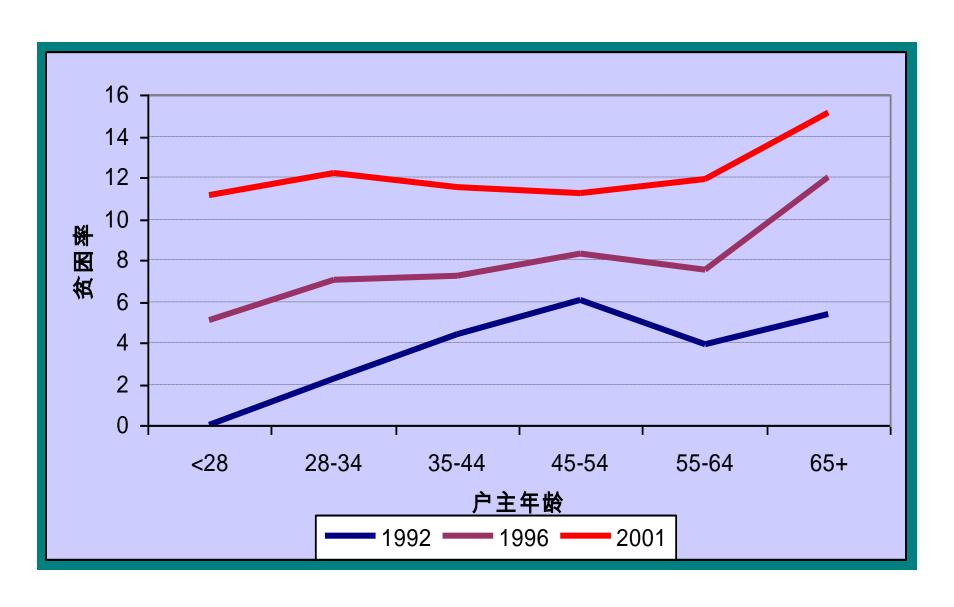
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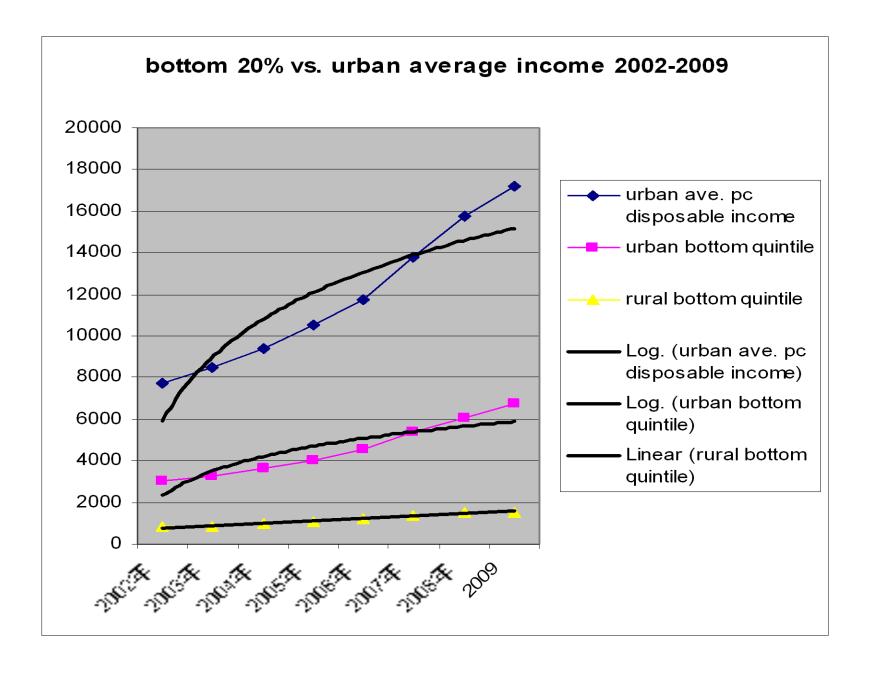
The rural poor

The urban poor

Urban poverty by age



Poverty and urban-rural divide



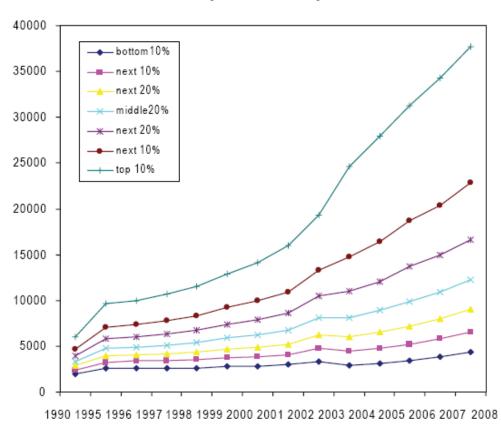
Relative losses from 2002 to 2009

As % of average per capita urban disposable income

for bottom urban quintile steady at 39% for bottom rural quintile falls from 11.1% to 9.0%

Urban wealth: implications of growing inequality

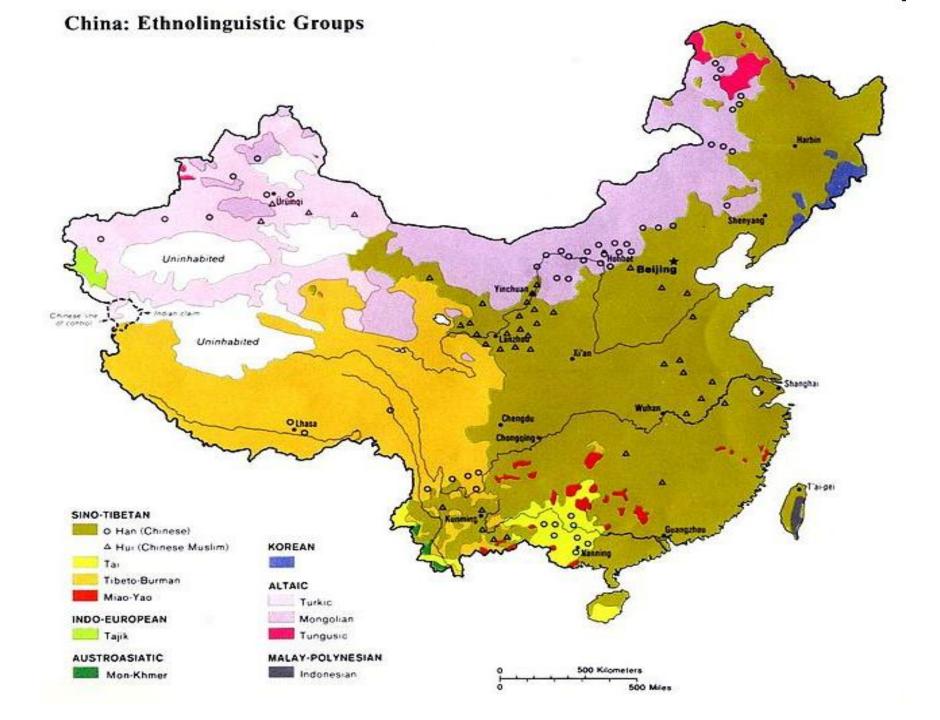
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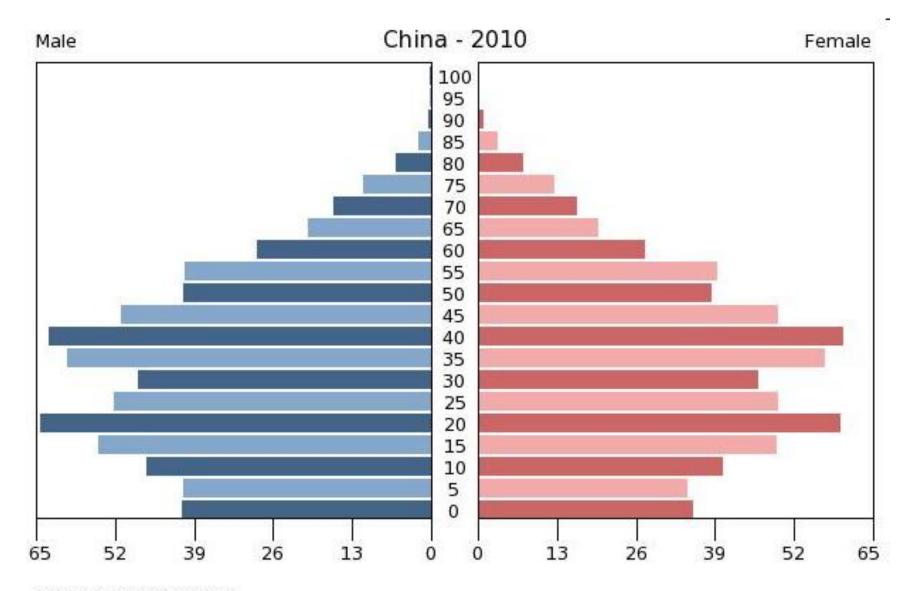


Ethnic and Gender Divides

56 official ethnicities (estimates)

- Han 1.19 billion
- Zhuang 18 million
- Manchu10.68 million,
- Uyghur 11.257 million
- Hui 10 million,
- Miao 9 million,
- Tujia 8 million
- Yi 7.7 million,
- Mongols 5.8 million,
- Tibetans 5.4 million,
- Yao 3.1
- Buyi 2.9 million
- Koreans 2.4 million





Population (in millions)