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Population Subgroup Decomposition and Policy Implications

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Focus of This Lecture

Discuss how the overall poverty can be decomposed across different population subgroups and create maps for visual policy analysis

Population Subgroups

Suppose the population size of achievement matrix x is denoted by $n(x)$. Matrix x is divided into two population subgroups: x' with population size $n(x')$ and x'' with population size $n(x'')$ such that $n(x) = n(x') + n(x'')$

Income Education Health

$x =$	4	4	2	Person 1
	3	5	4	Person 2
	8	6	3	Person 3

Population Subgroups

Population Subgroup Decomposability: A poverty measure is additive decomposable if:

$$P(x) = \frac{n(x')}{n} P(x') + \frac{n(x'')}{n} P(x'')$$

Then, one can calculate the contribution of each group to overall poverty:

$$C(x') = \frac{n(x')P(x')}{nP(x)}$$

Population Subgroups

Reconsider the following example

	Income	Years of Education	Sanitation (Improved?)	Access to Electricity	
$\mathbf{x} =$	700	14	Yes	Yes	Person 1
	300	13	Yes	No	Person 2
	400	10	No	No	Person 3
	800	11	Yes	Yes	Person 4
$\mathbf{z} =$	500	12	Yes	Yes	

Population Subgroups

The deprivation matrix

	Income	Years of Education	Sanitation (Improved?)	Access to Electricity	
$g^0 =$	0	0	0	0	Person 1
	1	0	0	1	Person 2
	1	1	1	1	Person 3
	0	1	0	0	Person 4

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Population Subgroups

The weight vector is (1, 2, 0.5, 0.5), replace deprivation status by weight

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Population Subgroups

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Population Subgroups

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Population Subgroups

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Population Subgroups

What is the M_0 of the matrix? It is $15/32$

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Population Subgroups

Let us divide the population into two subgroups

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- M_0 for green group: $6/8 = 3/4$
- Overall $M_0 = ?$

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- Overall $M_0 = (1/2) \times (3/16) + (1/2) \times (3/4) = 15/32$

Contribution of Subgroup

Let us divide the population into two subgroups

$g^0(k) =$

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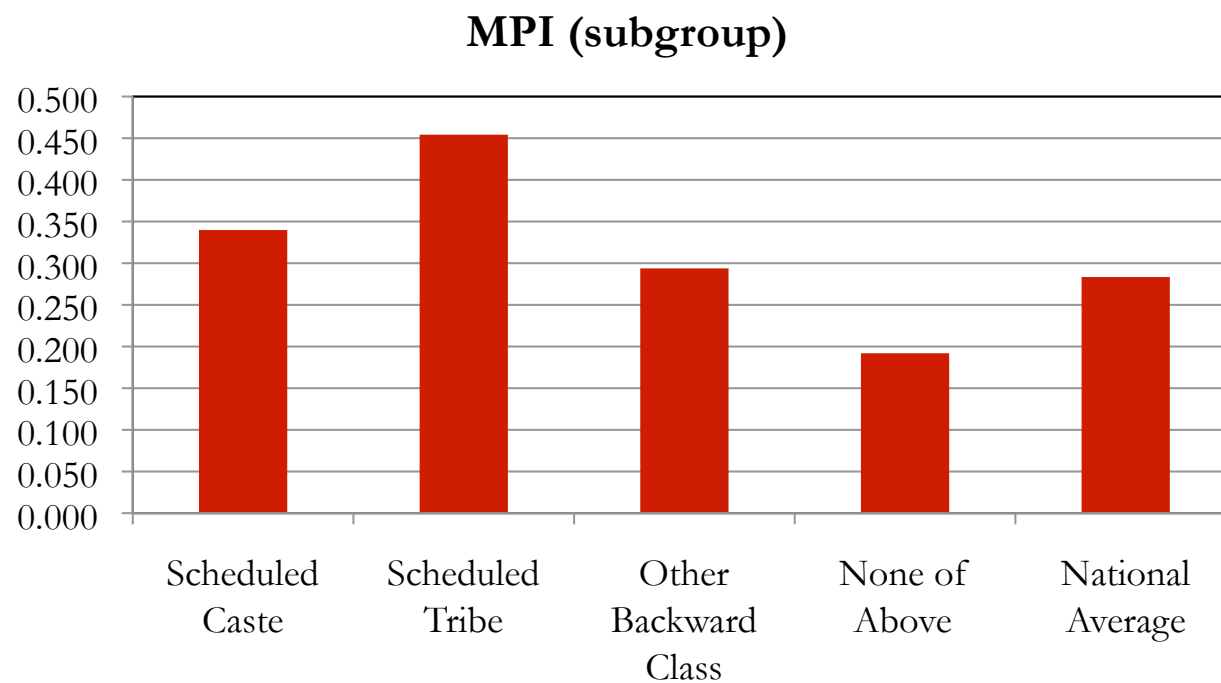
- The contribution of group 1 to M_0 is $(1/2) \times (3/16) / (15/32) = 1/5$
- The contribution of group 2 to M_0 is $(1/2) \times (3/4) / (15/32) = 4/5$
- The total contribution must sum up to 1

Applications and Case Studies

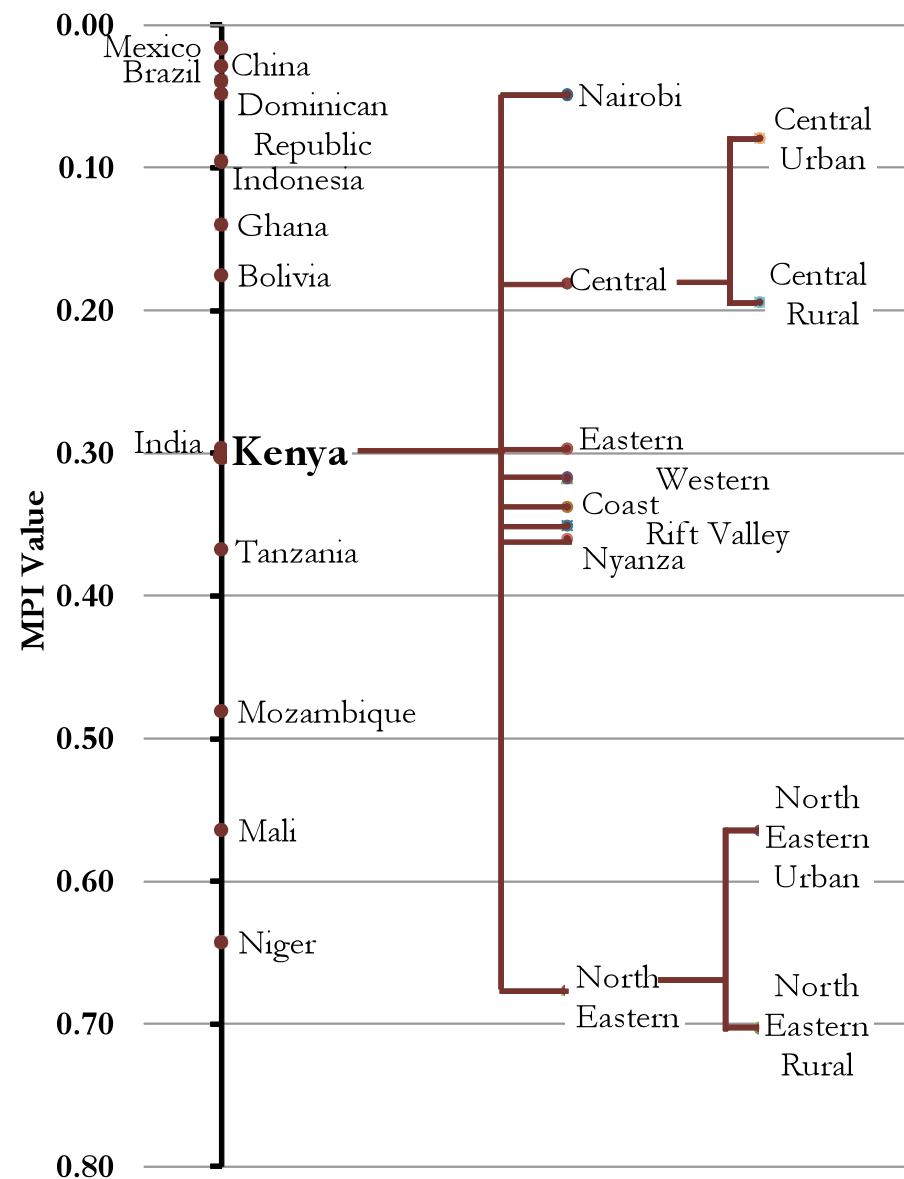
How do we present and analyze the results?

1. Break down M_0 by subgroups

Decompositions uncover large variation in MPI across group



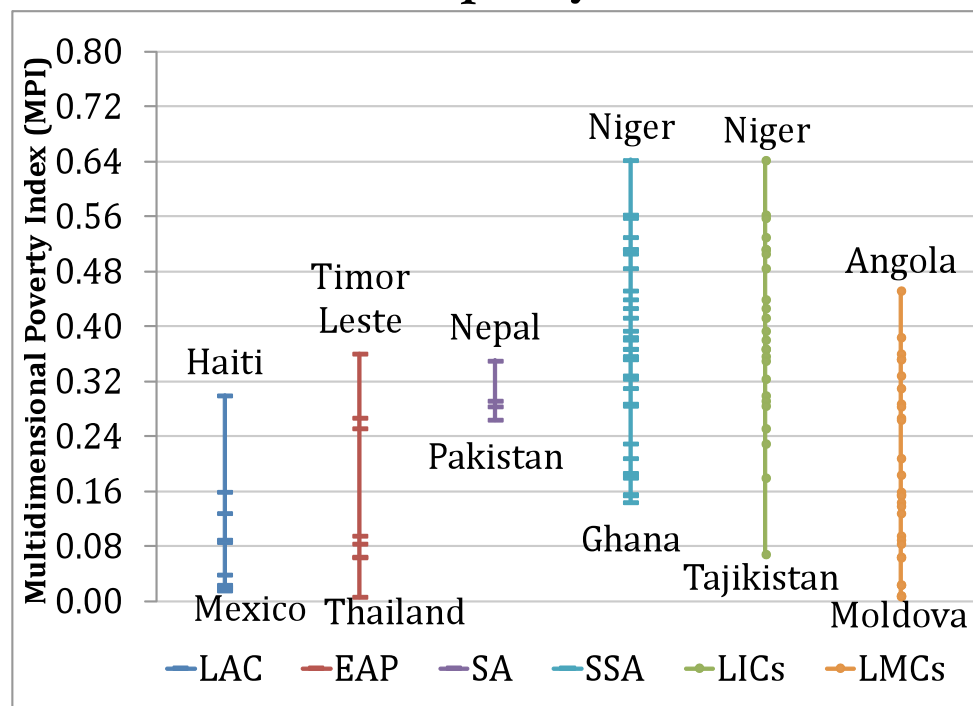
Decompositions uncover large variation in MPI.



MPI 2011(Alkire & Santos 2010)

National Vs. Sub-national Disparity in MPI

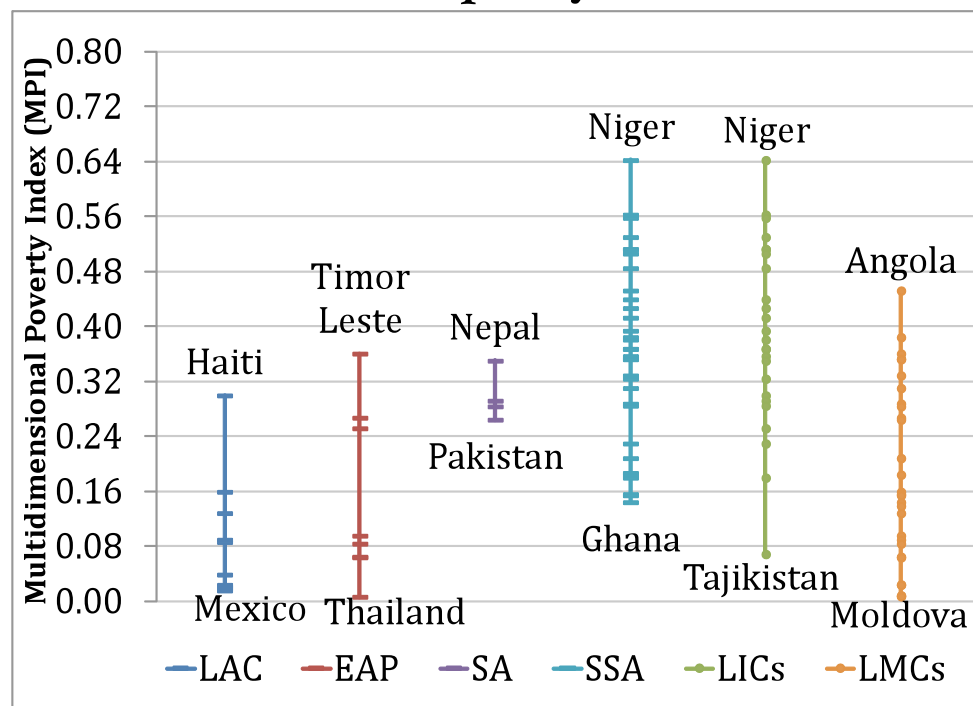
National Disparity



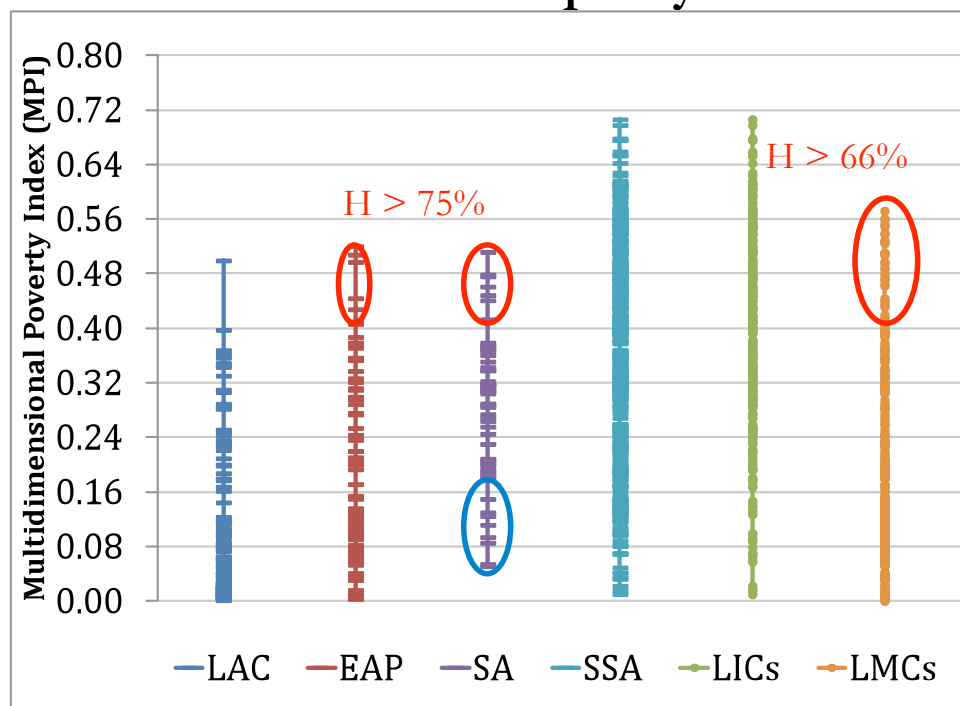
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Standard Deviation of MPIs						
Across Countries	0.065	0.048	0.011	0.116	0.118	0.101

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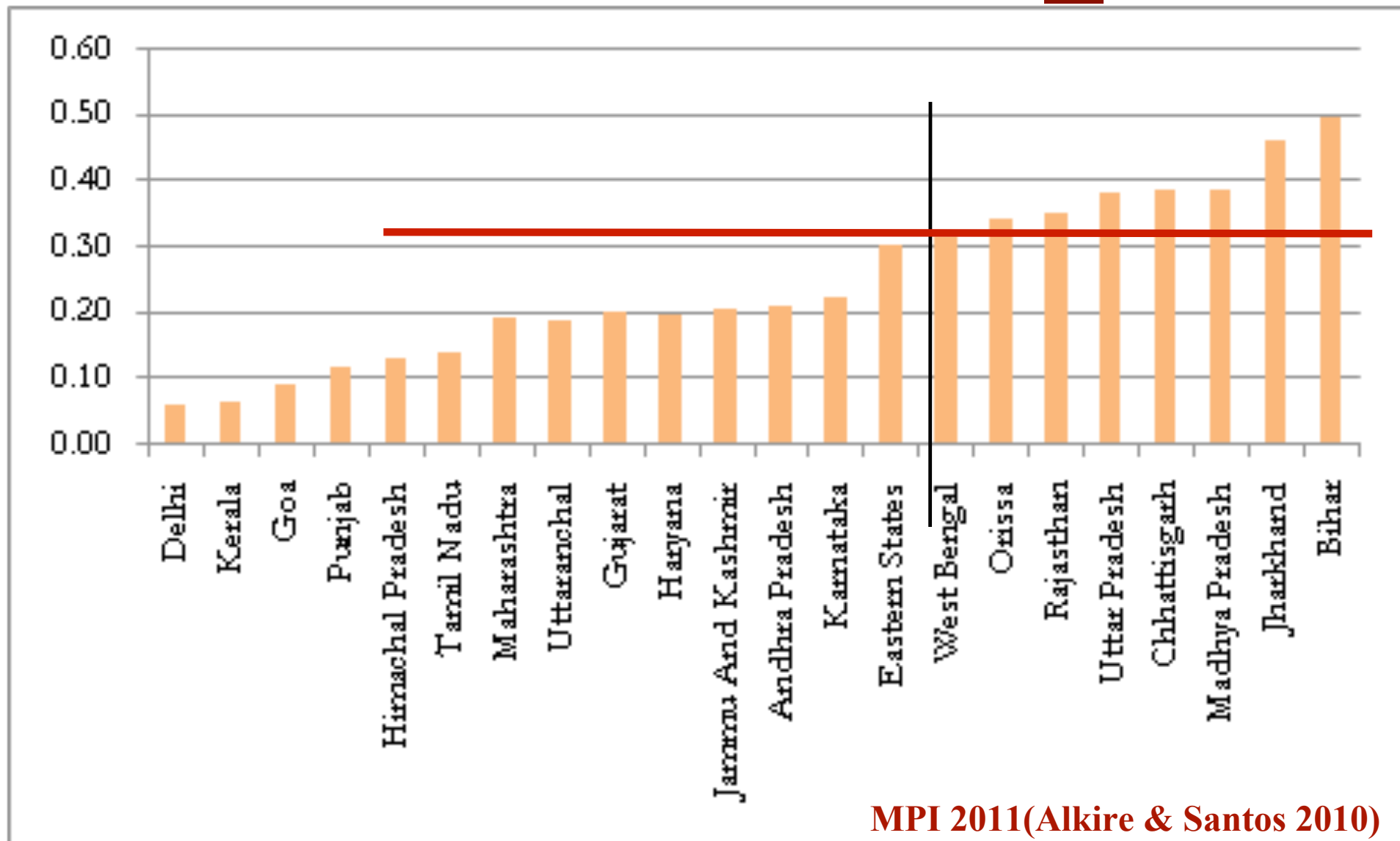


Sub-national Disparity

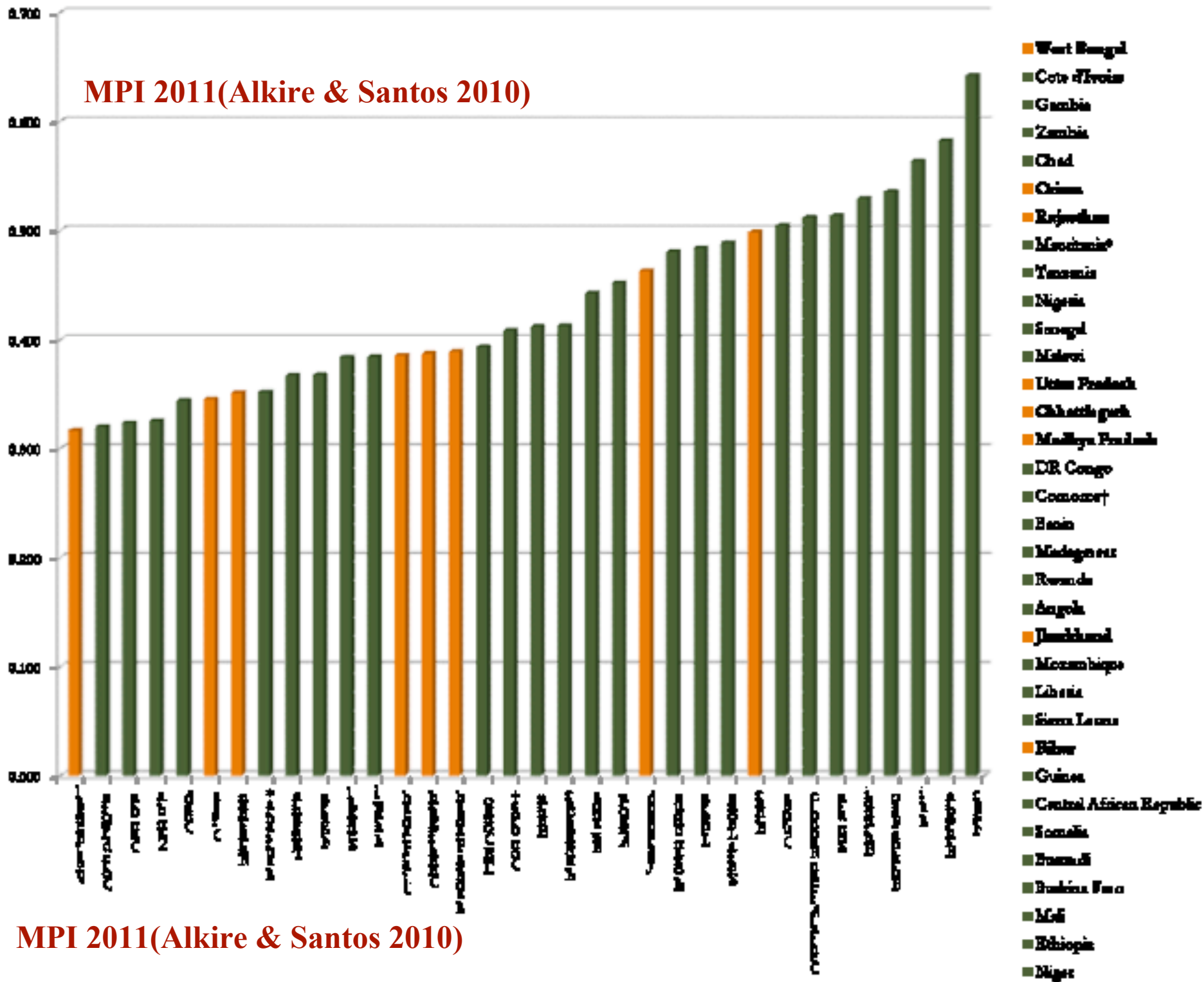


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Standard Deviation of MPIs						
Across Countries	0.065	0.048	0.011	0.116	0.118	0.101
Across Sub-National Regions	0.081	0.059	0.102	0.172	0.147	0.142

What Indian States' MPI ≥ 0.32 ?



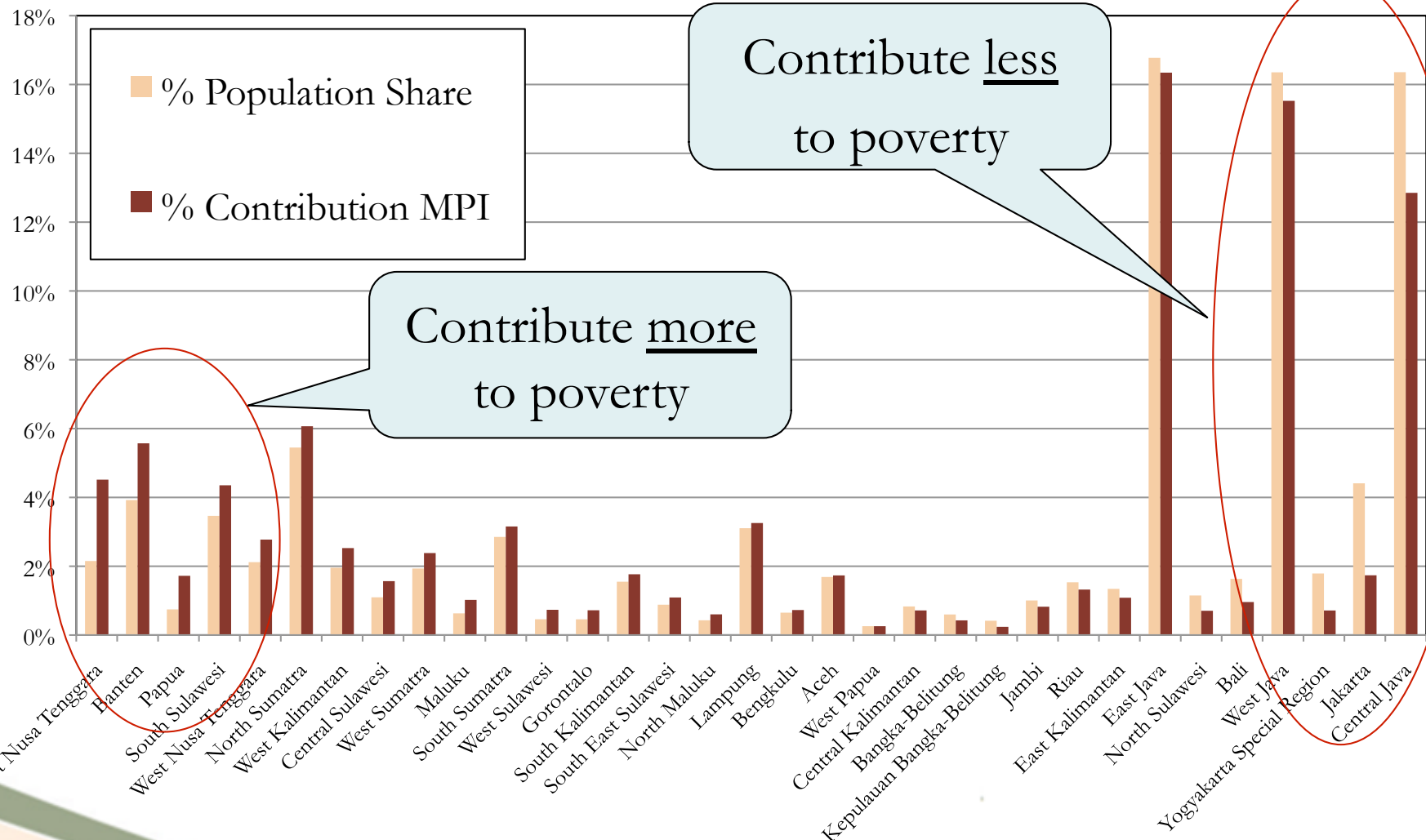
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2. Analyzing Contribution

Regional contribution to poverty in Indonesia



Suppose you want to distribute budget across regions considering two criteria: population size and poverty level

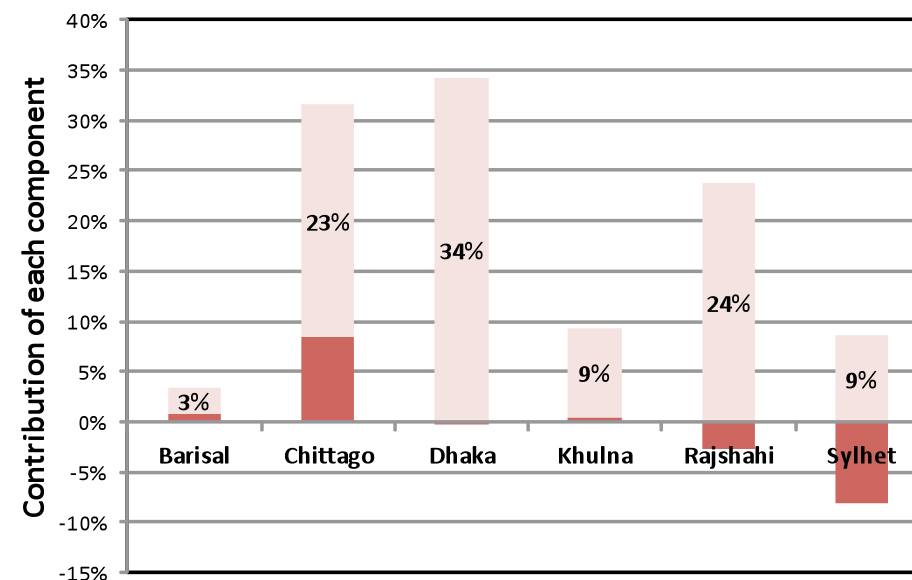
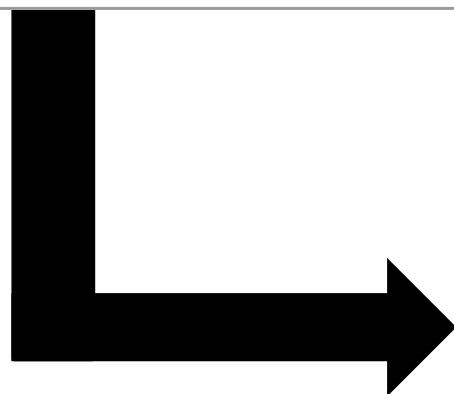
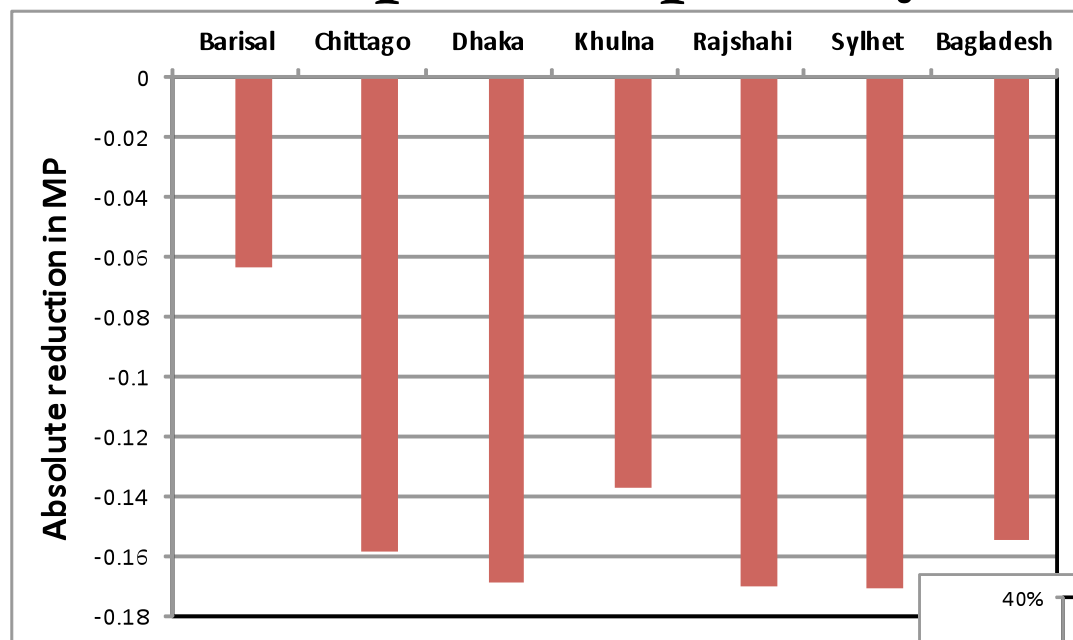
Regional contribution to poverty in Indonesia

Region	East Nusa Tenggara	Banten	Papua		Yogyakarta Special Region	Jakarta	Central Java
Number of poor people (Thousand)	2,004	2,660	805		381	1,012	6,317
% Population Share	2%	4%	1%		2%	4%	16%
MPI	0.200	0.135	0.220		0.038	0.038	0.075
% Contribution MPI	5%	6%	2%		1%	2%	13%

Contribute more
to poverty

Contribute less
to poverty

Different path to poverty reduction (Roche 2013)



■ Demographic effect ■ Within-group effect

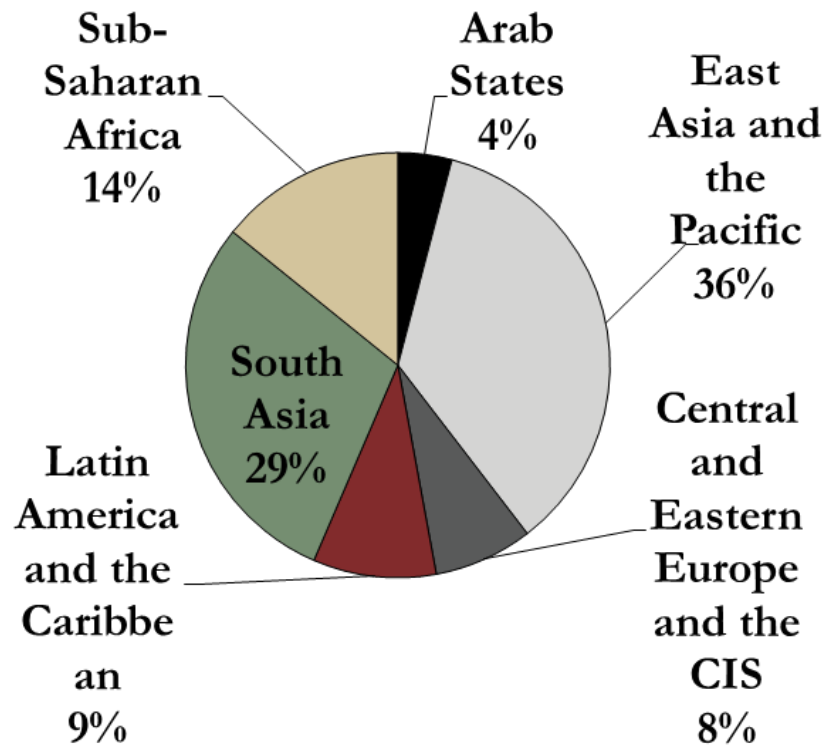
3. Aggregating results

Country Results: Across Geographic Regions and Income Categories

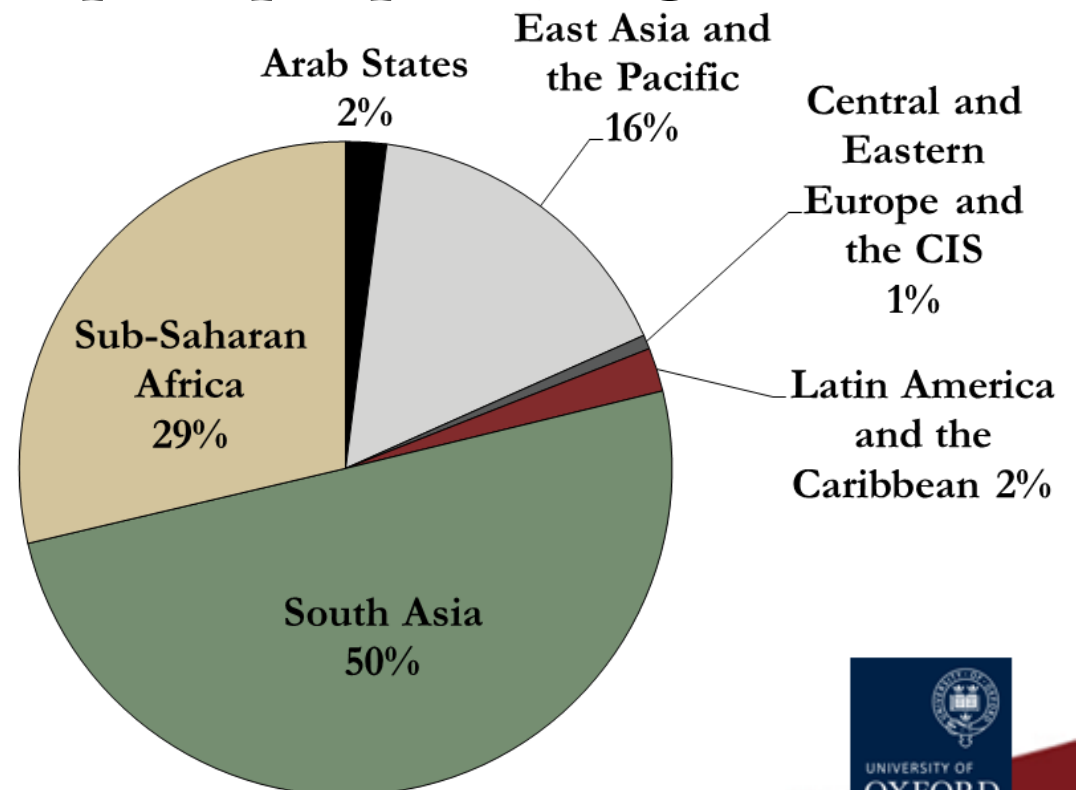
World Region	Number of Countries	2008 Pop (in Mils)	MPI	MPI Poor (%)	Severely Poor (%)
Total	109	5,299.9	0.163	31.1%	16.4%
<i>Geographic Region</i>					
Europe and Central Asia	24	399.5	0.011	2.9%	0.4%
Latin America and Caribbean	18	497.5	0.032	7.2%	2.2%
East Asia and Pacific	11	1,878.7	0.065	14.3%	5.2%
Arab States	11	217.7	0.077	15.3%	7.4%
South Asia	7	1,554.2	0.280	53.2%	28.0%
Sub-Saharan Africa	38	752.3	0.360	62.9%	41.2%
<i>Income Category</i>					
High Income	8	41.2	0.010	2.9%	0.0%
Upper Middle Income	28	2,179.0	0.041	9.3%	3.0%
Lower Middle Income	42	2,378.9	0.218	41.5%	21.9%
Low Income	31	700.9	0.367	65.6%	40.7%

Distribution of Population and MPI Poor across Geographic Regions

Total Population in 109 MPI countries



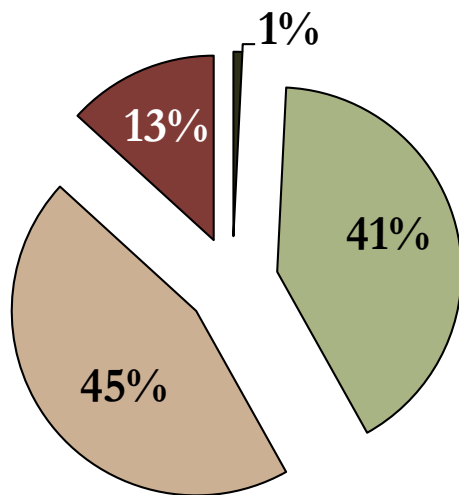
MPI poor people by region



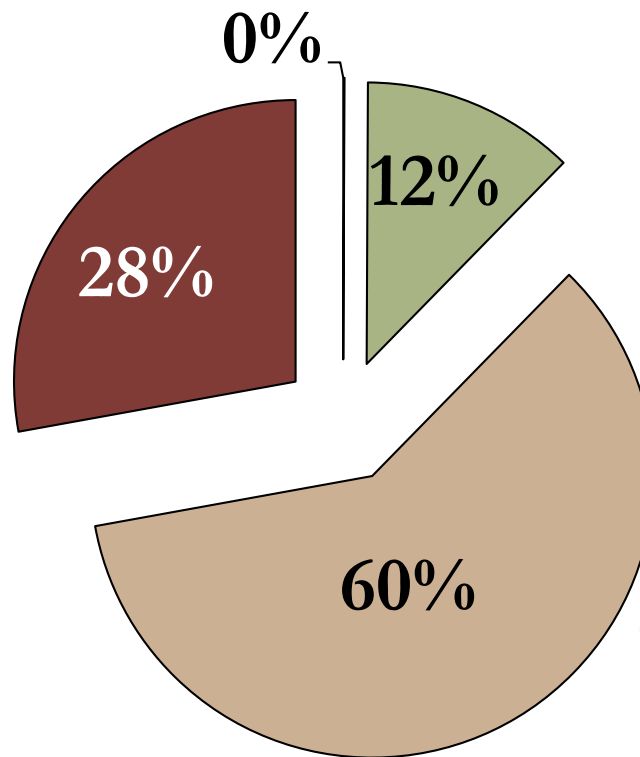
MPI in middle-income countries.

More than twice as many poor people live in middle-income countries (1,189 M) compared to low-income countries (459 M).

Total Population by Income Category in MPI countries (2008)



MPI Poor Population (2008)

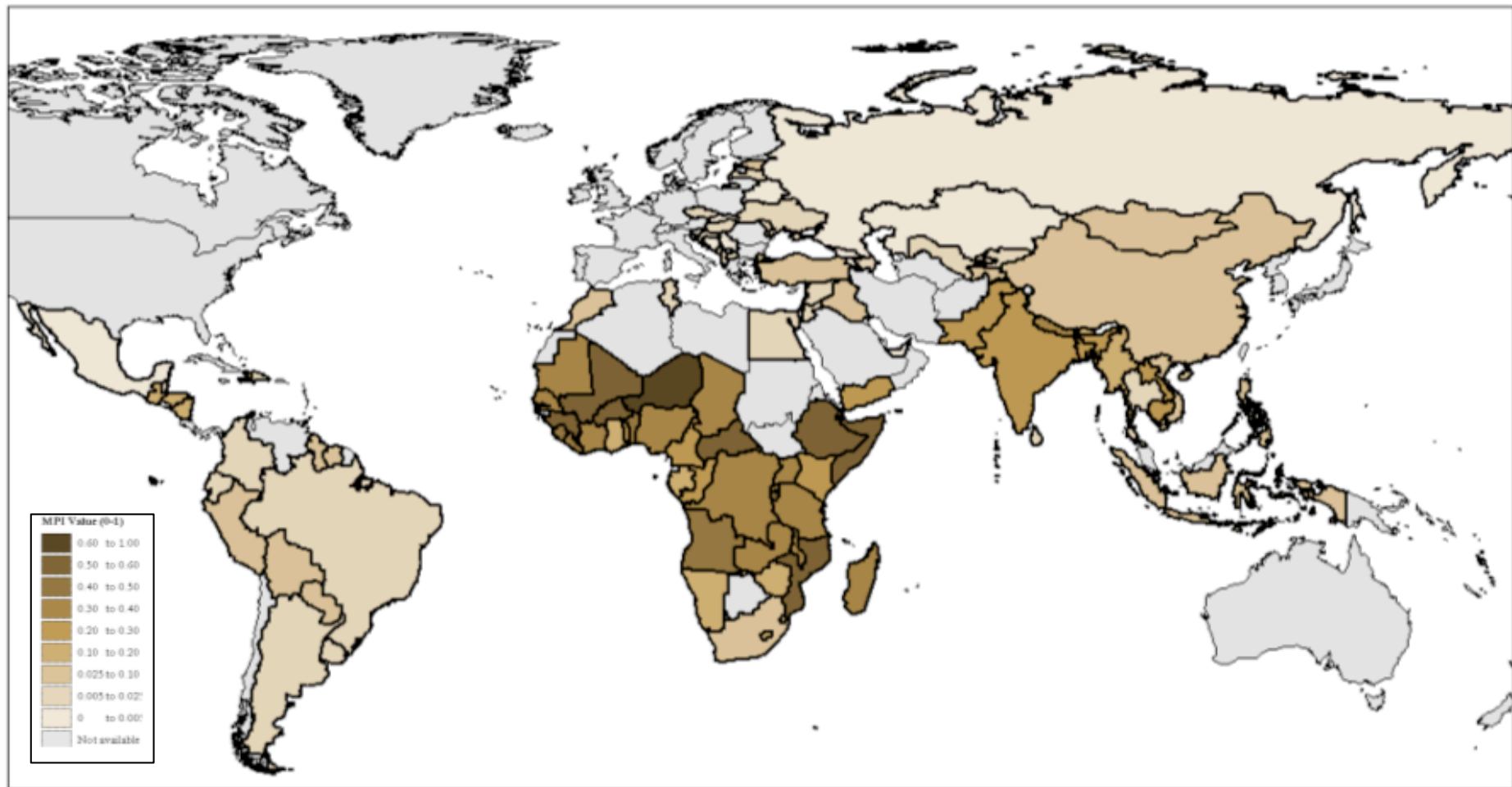


- High-income
- Upper middle-income
- Lower middle-income
- Low-income

4. Poverty Maps analysis

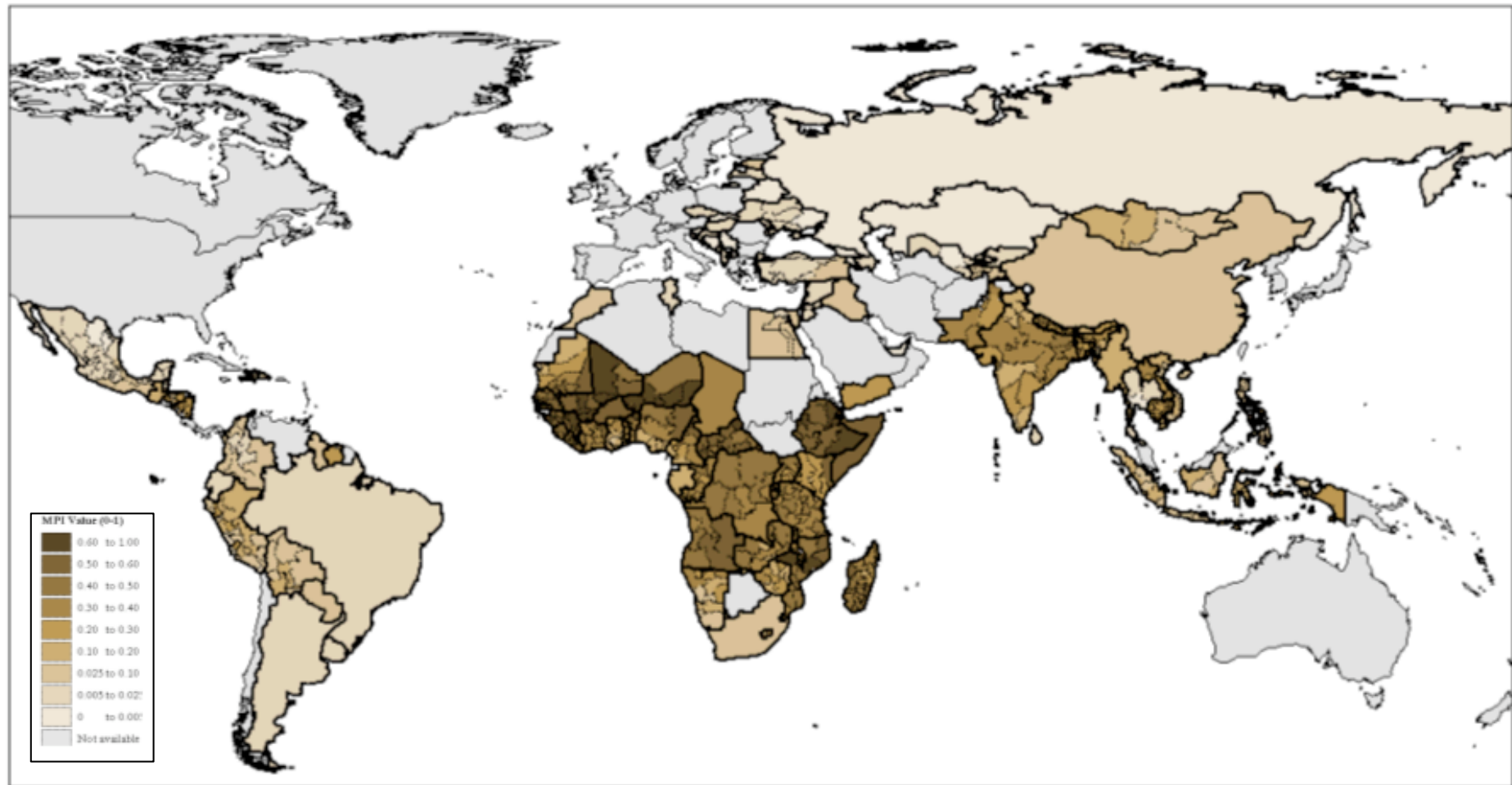
National MPI

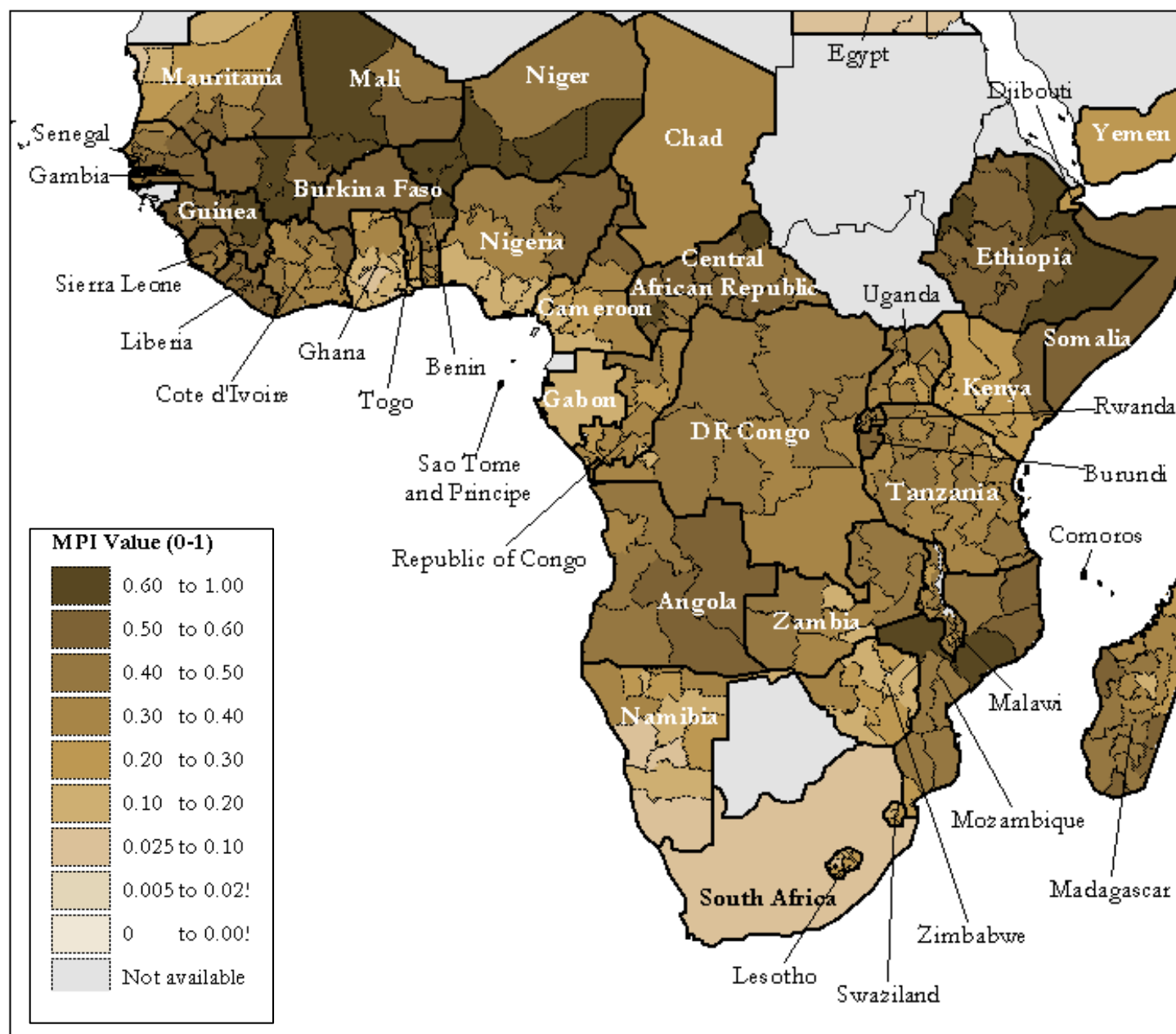
(109 Countries)



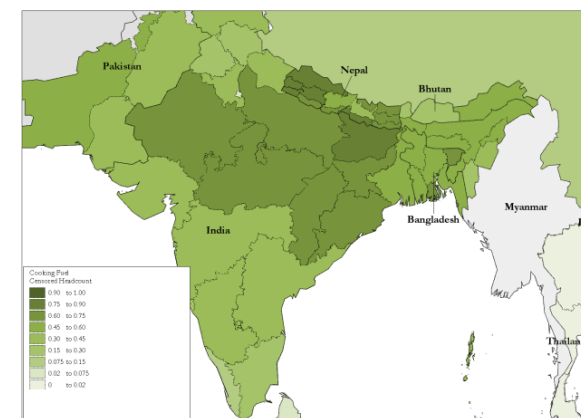
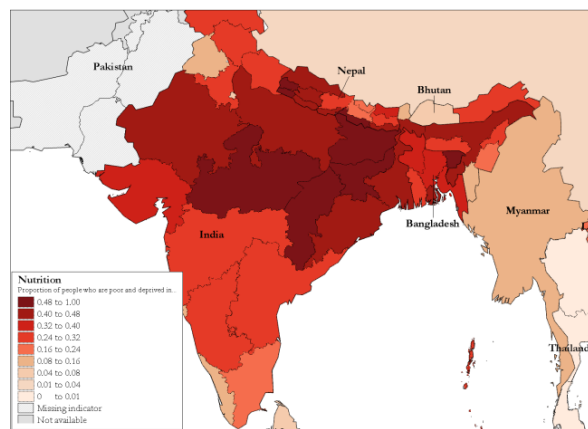
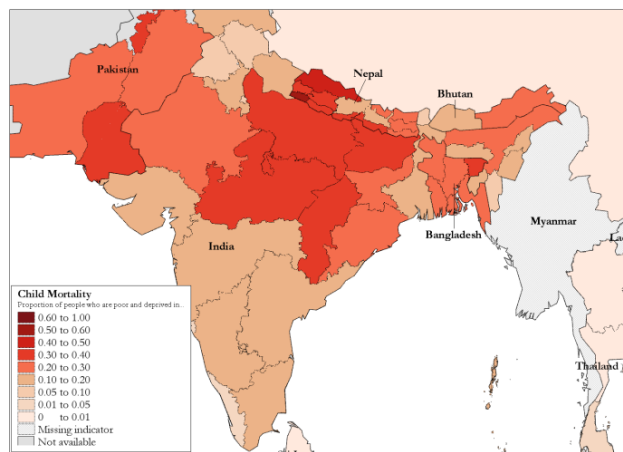
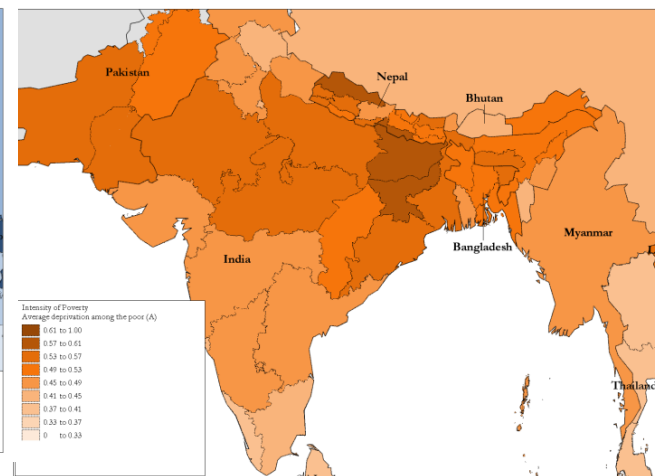
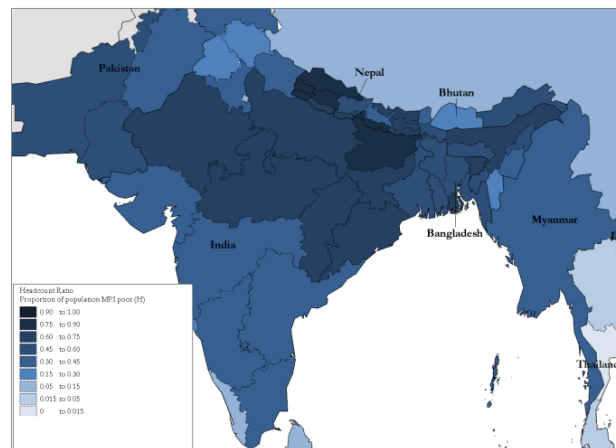
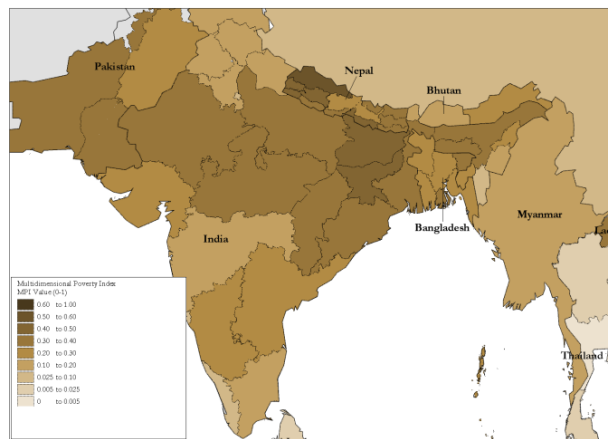
Sub-national disparities in MPI

(Subnational disaggregation available for 66 countries)

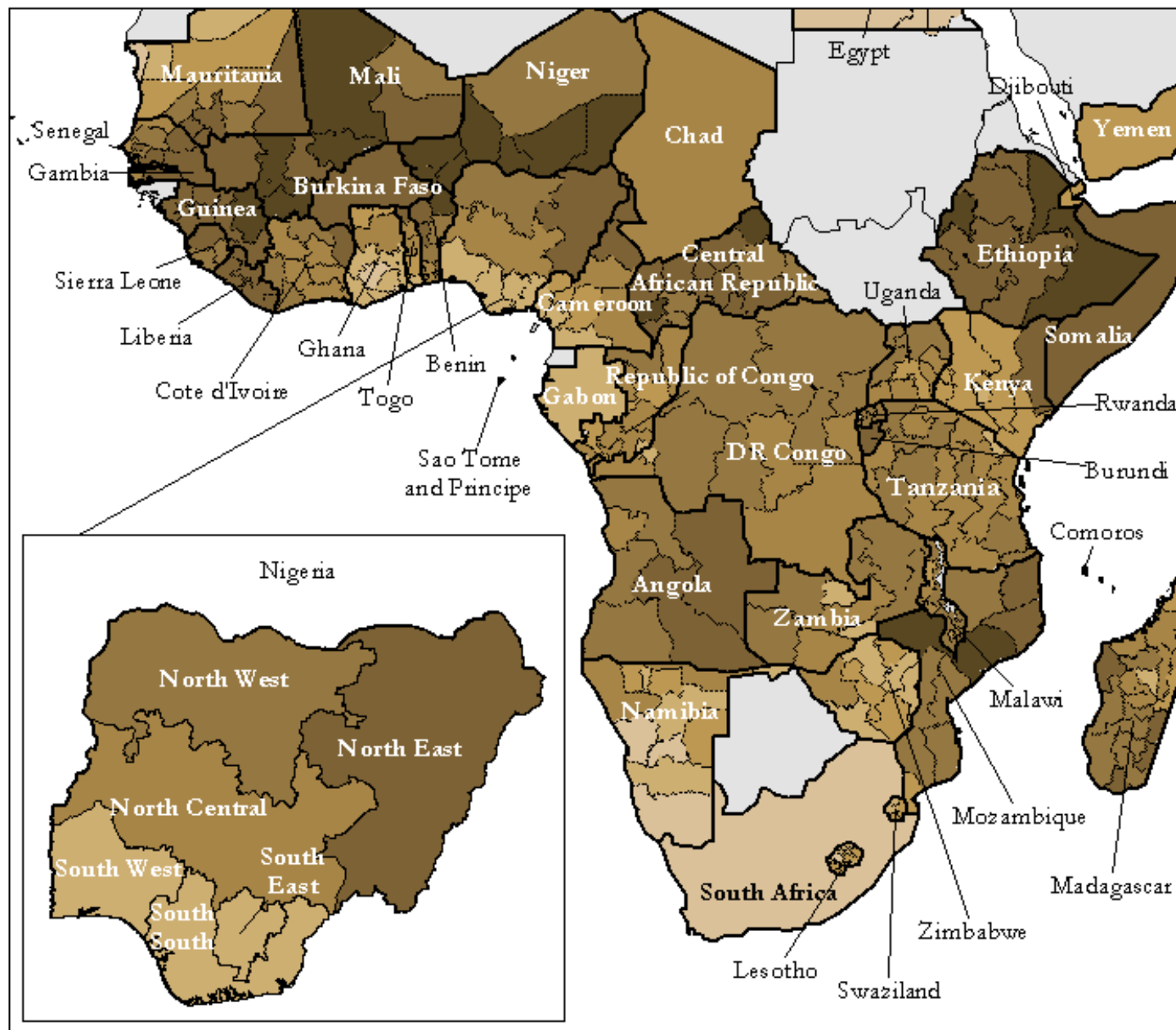




MPI: various levels of resolution



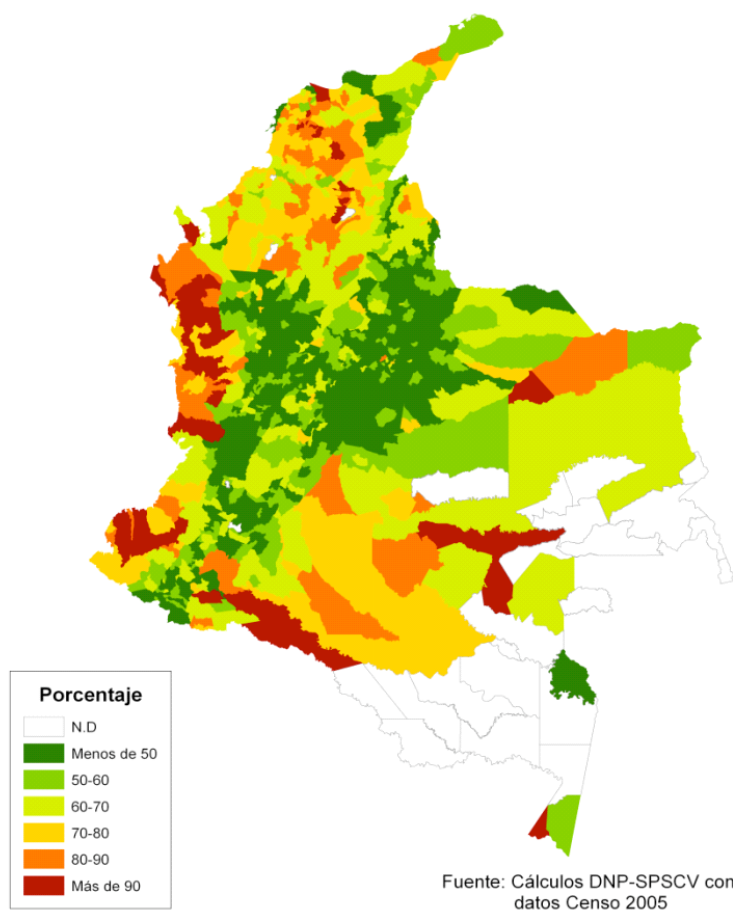
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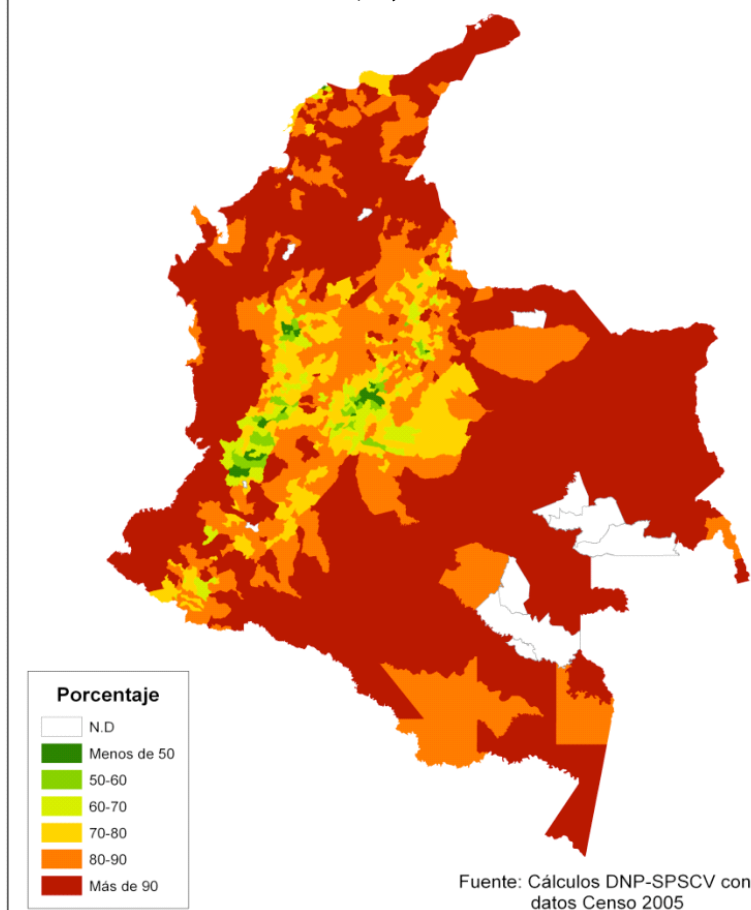
Municipal MPI Colombia

Headcount ratio, urban-rural areas, 2005

Municipal poverty headcount ratio for urban areas, $k=5/15$, 2005



Municipal poverty headcount ratio for rural areas, $k=5/15$, 2005



MPI proxy based on Census Data 2005