# Properties of Multidimensional Poverty Measures/ Alkire-Foster Multidimensional Poverty Measure

## Suggested basic readings on this topic:

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#### Suggestions on applied research on the topic:

ALKIRE and FOSTER (2008) contains an empirical illustration of the proposed measures to the US and Indonesia. Other applications of these measures to China, India, Bhutan, six African countries and eight Latin American countries are currently being developed at OPHI and will be posted as OPHI Working Papers soon.

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