

Figure 1: World income distribution

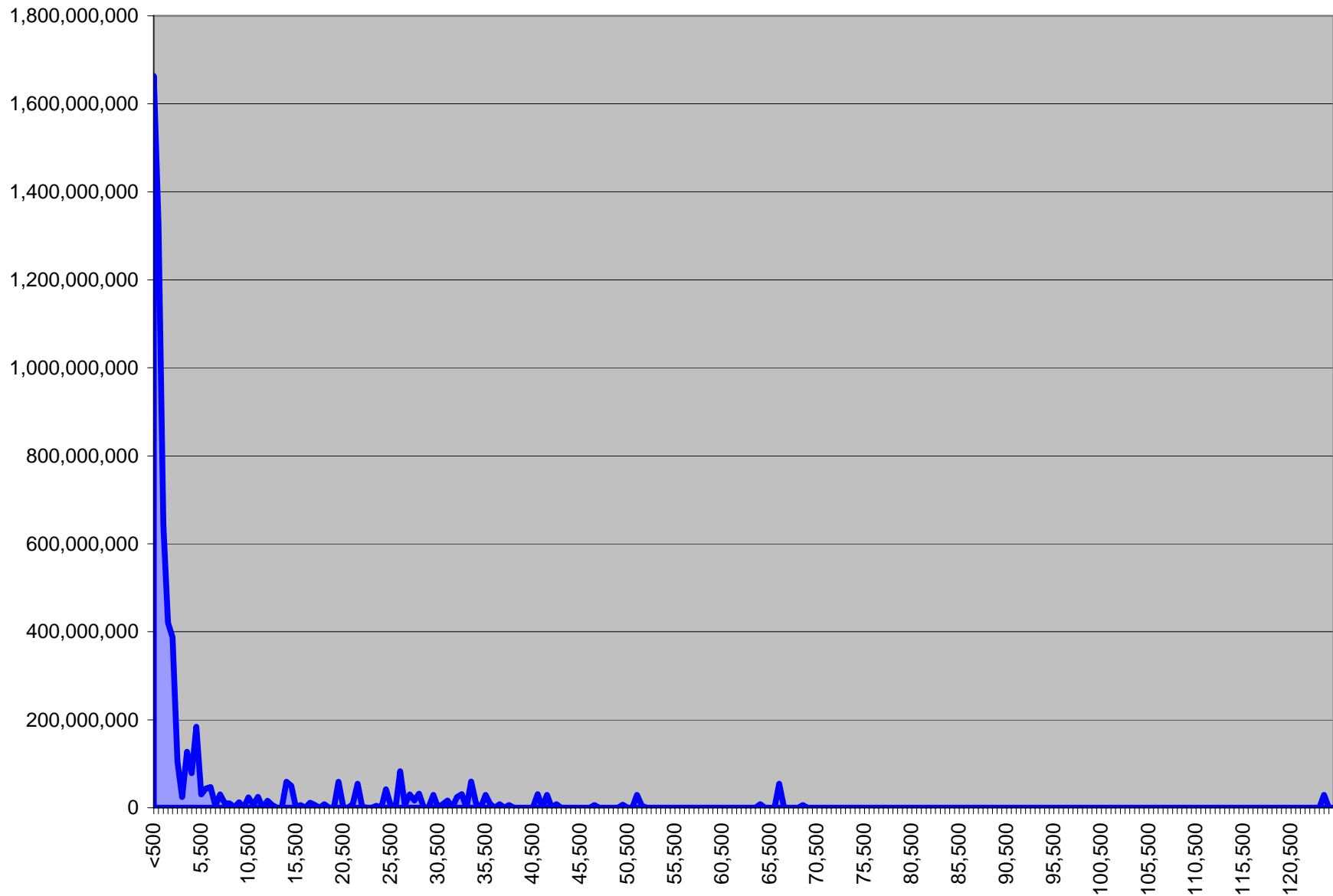
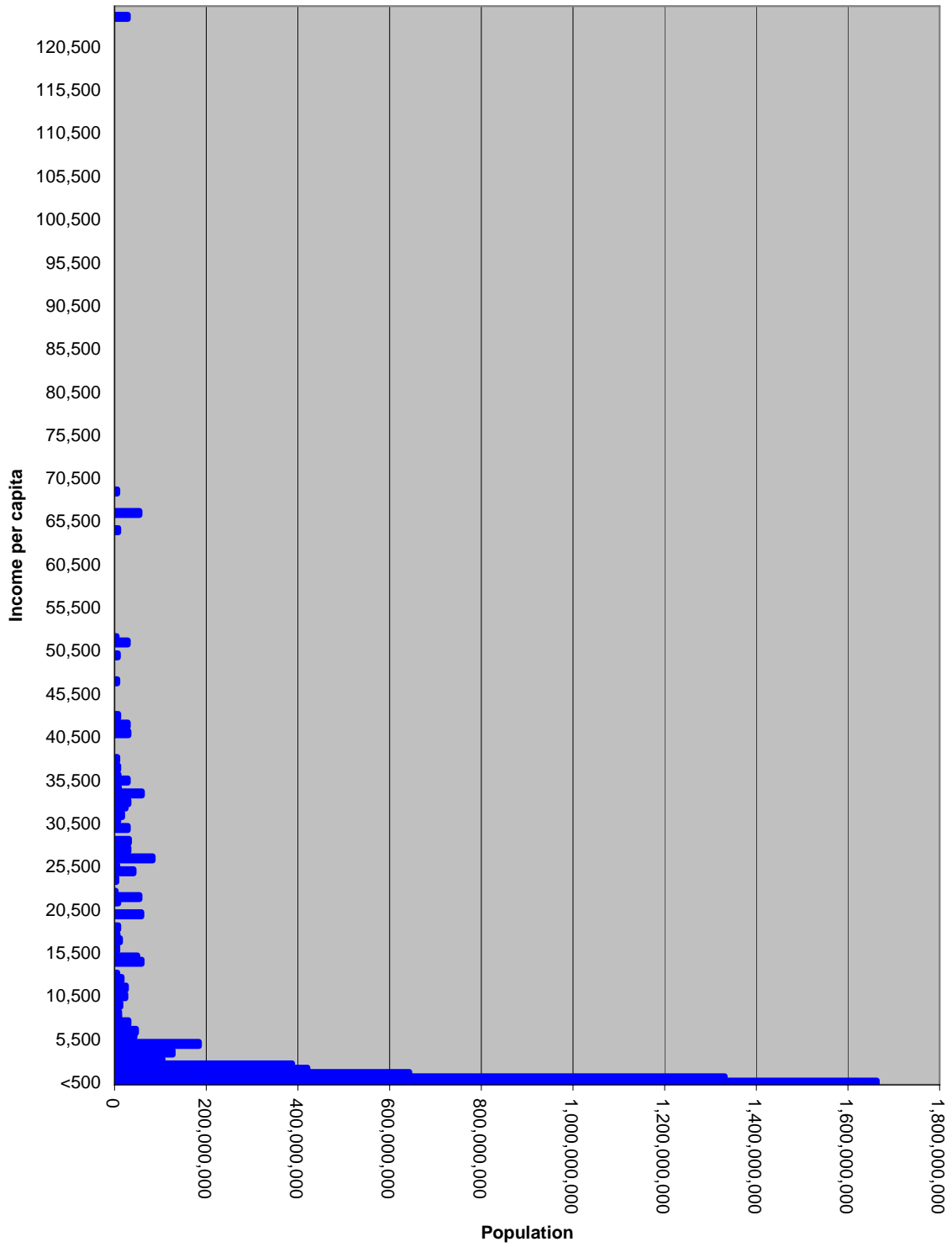


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Methodology and Sources

The data in these figures should be considered only rough estimates. All population and GNI data come from the World Bank's *World Development Indicators* and are for 2004. GNI is reported in current US dollars using the Atlas exchange rate method. The data reports average per capita income for 172 countries¹ and displays them in \$500 increments, starting with \$0-500 and ending with \$123,000+. Countries that represent >1% of the world's population were disaggregated into averages for income deciles using the most recently available estimates (for Iran and Japan only quintiles are available). In aggregate these 20 large countries represent 72% of the world's population. Income inequality data are from the World Income Inequality Database from UNU/WIDER which compiles from various sources, some of which may use slightly different measures of income. The table below shows source, year, and income measurement by country.

Country	Year	Source	Survey	Income Measure
China	1998	World Bank Poverty Monitoring Database, 2002	Rural/Urban Household Survey	Income, ..
India	1999	Deininger & Squire, World Bank 2004	National Sample Survey round 55	Consumption
United States	2000	Luxembourg Income Study	March Current Population Survey	Monetary Income, Disposable
Indonesia	1996	Deininger & Squire, World Bank 2004	SUSENAS: Socio-Economic Survey	Income, Gross
Brazil	2001	Deininger & Squire, World Bank 2004	Pesquisa Nacional por Amostra de Domicilios (PNAD)	Income, Gross
Pakistan	1996	World Bank Poverty Monitoring Database, 2002	N/A	Consumption
Russian Federation	2000	Luxembourg Income Study	Russian Longitudinal Monitoring Survey	Income, Disposable
Bangladesh	1996	World Bank Poverty Monitoring Database, 2002	Bangladesh Household Expenditure Survey	Consumption
Nigeria	1997	World Bank Poverty Monitoring Database, 2002	N/A	Consumption
Japan	1993	World Bank, World Development Indicators, 2000	N/A	Income, ..
Mexico	2002	Luxembourg Income Study	Encuesta nacional de ingresos y gastos de los hogares	Income, Disposable
Germany	2001	European Commission 2005	European Community Household Panel Survey	Income, Disposable
Vietnam	1998	Deininger & Squire, World Bank 2004	Vietnam Living Standards Survey	Consumption
Philippines	2000	NSO – FIES Web 2004	Family Income and Expenditure Survey	Income, Gross
Egypt	1997	Deininger & Squire, World Bank 2004	Integrated Household Survey	Income, ..
Turkey	1994	World Bank Poverty Monitoring Database, 2002	Household Income Distribution Survey	Consumption
Ethiopia	1997	Deininger & Squire, World Bank 2004	Welfare Monitoring Survey	Income, Gross
Iran	1998	World Bank, World Development Indicators 2004	N/A	Consumption
Thailand	1999	Deininger & Squire, World Bank 2004	Thailand Socio-Economic Survey	Income, Gross
France	2001	European Commission 2005	European Community Household Panel Survey	Income, Disposable

Notes: (1) Unit of analysis for all surveys is the individual except the Philippines which is family-level with no adjustment to individual level; (2) All surveys cover all population of all ages in all areas

¹ Afghanistan, Andorra, Bahamas, Barbados, Brunei, Cuba, Equatorial Guinea, Haiti, Iraq, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Myanmar, North Korea, Qatar, San Marino, Somalia, St. Kitts and Nevis, Turkmenistan are not included in the analysis due to missing data for population and/or GNI.