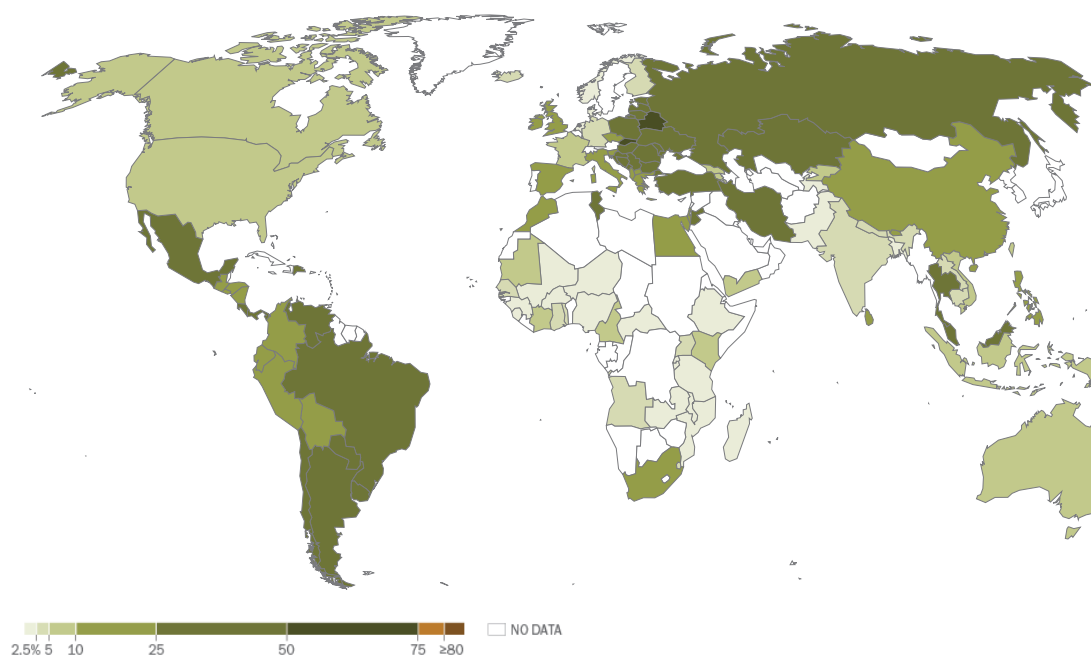


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World Population by Income

How Many Live on How Much, and Where



2011 SHARE PERCENTAGE POINT CHANGE

POOR LOW INCOME MIDDLE INCOME UPPER-MIDDLE INCOME HIGH INCOME

13% of people globally are middle income

People living on \$10.01-20 daily are classified as middle income

Please select a country

Global population distribution by income, 2011

Poor	15%
Low income	56%
Middle income	13%
Upper-middle income	9%
High income	7%

Global percentage point change, 2001 to 2011

Poor	-14
Low income	6
Middle income	5
Upper-middle income	2
High income	1

The income groups are defined as follows: The poor live on \$2 or less daily, low income on \$2.01-10, middle income on \$10.01-20, upper-middle income on \$20.01-50, and high income on more than \$50; figures expressed in 2011 purchasing power parities in 2011 prices.

Report: A Global Middle Class is More Promise than Reality

(<http://www.pewglobal.org/2015/07/08/a-global-middle-class-is-more-promise-than-reality/>)

Source: Pew Research Center analysis of data from the World Bank PovcalNet database (Center for Global Development version available on the Harvard Dataverse Network) and the Luxembourg Income Study database

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