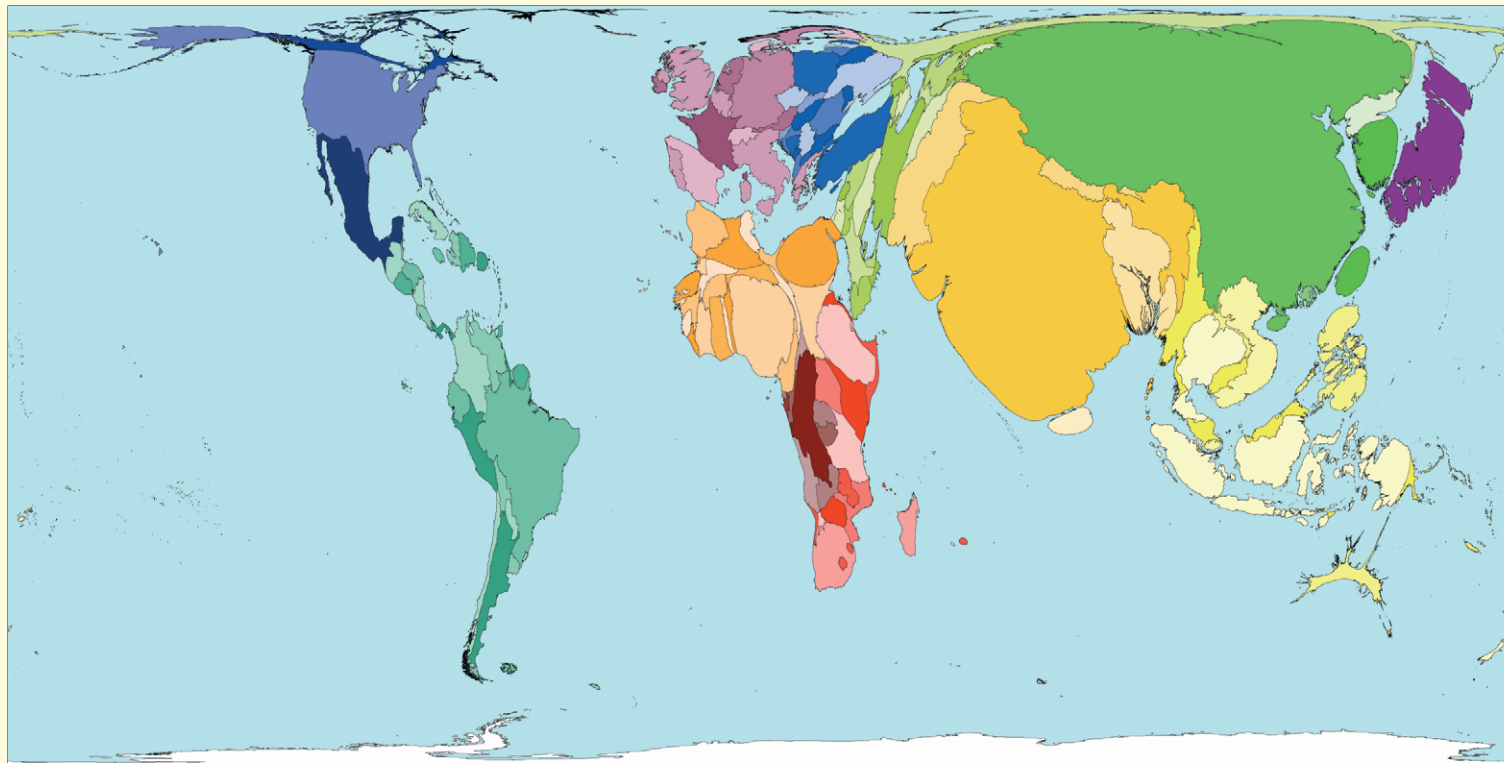


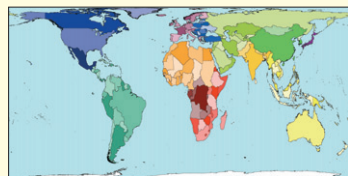
# Market-hours Men



The ten territories where men spend the fewest hours everyday doing paid work are all in the Middle East. However regions other than the Middle East are where the average man spends least time doing paid work. In Eastern Europe, Western Europe and North America the average man spends 4 hours and 30 minutes doing paid work. This is almost half of the time spent working by the average man in Central Africa. In Central Africa the average man does paid work for 8 hours and 6 minutes everyday.

Taking averages means that those men who cannot and do not work, are included with those who work considerably longer than the average.

Territory size shows the proportion of all hours of paid or market labour worked by men there.



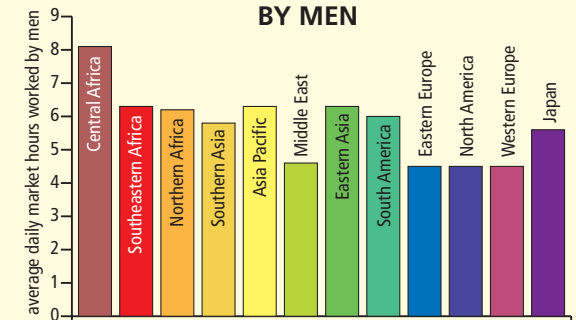
Land area

## MOST AND LEAST MARKET HOURS WORKED BY MEN

Rank	Territory	Value	Rank	Territory	Value
1	Hong Kong (China)	2.47	191	Turkmenistan	1.55
2	Thailand	2.45	192	Kyrgyzstan	1.51
3	Sao Tome and Principe	2.42	193	Uzbekistan	1.51
4	Rwanda	2.41	194	Oman	1.51
5	Japan	2.41	195	Jordan	1.48
6	China	2.40	196	Syrian Arab Republic	1.48
7	Taiwan	2.39	197	Saudi Arabia	1.44
7	DPR Korea	2.39	198	Tajikistan	1.41
9	Singapore	2.37	199	Yemen	1.33
10	Equatorial Guinea	2.33	200	Gaza Strip & West Bank	1.14

total daily market hours worked by men divided by total population\*

## AVERAGE MARKET-HOURS WORKED BY MEN



### Technical notes

- Data are from the United Nations Development Programme's Human Development Report, 2004.
- \*Total population includes children and women.
- See website for further information.

*“If a machine wears out in half the present normal time ... a new machine has to be made to replace it ... but if a man wears out in half the time, the world is poorer, and that needs no demonstration.”* William Hesketh Lever, date unknown