

# Human Development Increase



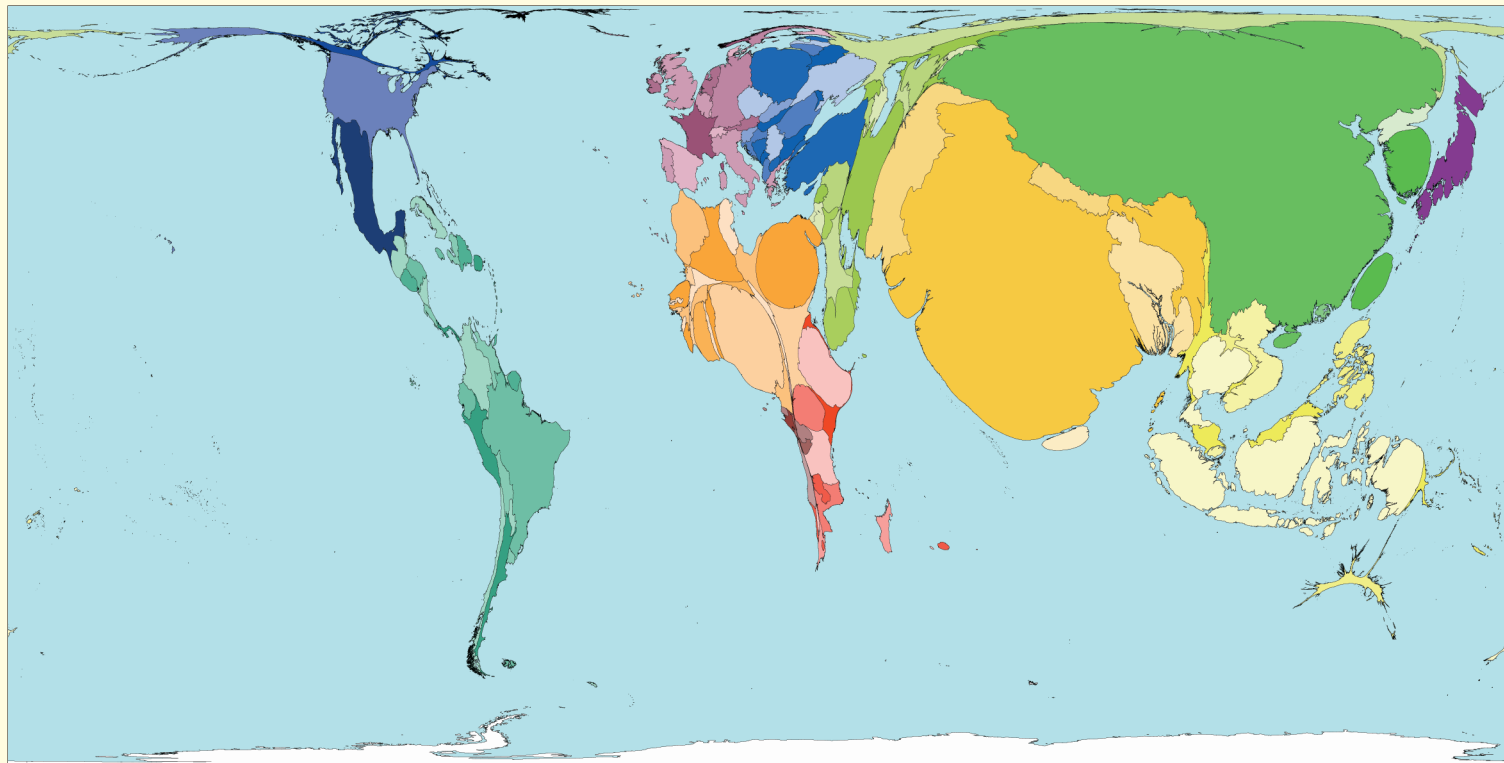
The University of Sheffield



The Leverhulme Trust



Produced by the SASI group (Sheffield) and Mark Newman (Michigan)

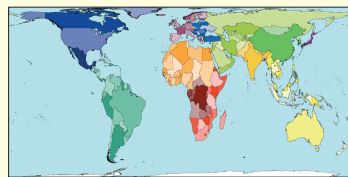


The map shows those territories where the human development index has increased from 1975 to 2002. Such an increase has occurred in the majority of territories.

The size of the territory shows where the most improvement has occurred. The biggest improvement to people's lives has been in China and India because each fractional improvement is theoretically experienced more than 2.3 billion times in the combined populations of these territories.

Southeastern Africa, North America, Western Europe and Japan have all experienced similarly low increases in their human development scores.

Territory size shows the proportion of worldwide human development that occurred there between 1975 and 2002 (calculated by multiplying human development index by population).



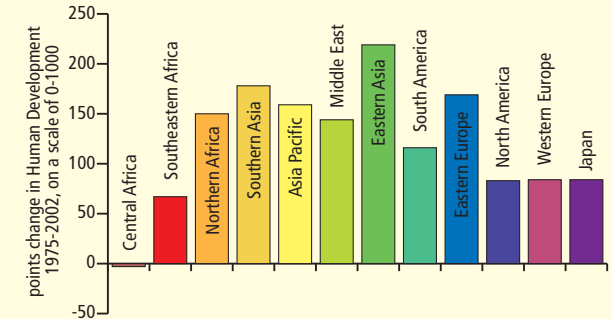
Land area

## LARGEST AND SMALLEST INCREASES IN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX

Rank	Territory	Value	Rank	Territory	Value
1	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	417	184	Guyana	42
2	Maldives	352	185	Lesotho	36
3	Cape Verde	340	186	Sierra Leone	32
4	Seychelles	324	187	Central African Republic	27
5	Brunei Darussalam	310	188	Cote d'Ivoire	17
6	Equatorial Guinea	307	189	Vanuatu	13
7	Oman	277	190	Cambodia	11
8	Slovenia	267	191	South Africa	11
9	Bahrain	259	192	Swaziland	3
10	Mauritius	256	193	Comoros	1

increase in the Human Development Index 1975-2002, measured on a scale of 0-1000\*

## CHANGES IN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT SCORE



### Technical notes

- Data are from the United Nations Development Programme's 2004 Human Development Report.
- \*7 territories experienced a decrease in their human development scores from 1975-2002.
- See website for further information.

*“Our per capita GDP is now \$2220. But look around you, walk through our streets, where is it? Everyone thinks things are improving but they are not. Everything is just the same ...”* Journalist in Equatorial Guinea, 2001