

## World Bank list of low income countries (December 2016)

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	<i>Economy</i>	<i>Code</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>Income group</i>	<i>Lending category</i>	<i>Other</i>
1	Afghanistan	AFG	South Asia	Low income	IDA	HIPC
21	Benin	BEN	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
31	Burkina Faso	BFA	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
32	Burundi	BDI	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
38	Central African Republic	CAF	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
39	Chad	TCD	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
44	Comoros	COM	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
45	Congo, Dem. Rep.	ZAR	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
62	Eritrea	ERI	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
64	Ethiopia	ETH	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
71	Gambia, The	GMB	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
81	Guinea	GIN	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
82	Guinea-Bissau	GNB	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
84	Haiti	HTI	Latin America & Caribbean	Low income	IDA	HIPC
103	Korea, Dem. People's Rep.	PRK	East Asia & Pacific	Low income	..	
112	Liberia	LBR	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
119	Madagascar	MDG	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
120	Malawi	MWI	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
123	Mali	MLI	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
135	Mozambique	MOZ	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
139	Nepal	NPL	South Asia	Low income	IDA	
144	Niger	NER	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
162	Rwanda	RWA	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
167	Senegal	SEN	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
170	Sierra Leone	SLE	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
176	Somalia	SOM	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
178	South Sudan	SSD	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	
193	Tanzania	TZA	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
196	Togo	TGO	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
204	Uganda	UGA	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	IDA	HIPC
218	Zimbabwe	ZWE	Sub-Saharan Africa	Low income	Blend	

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This table classifies all World Bank member countries (189), and all other economies with populations of more than 30,000. For operational and analytical purposes, economies are divided among income groups according to 2015 gross national income (GNI) per capita, calculated using the World Bank Atlas method. The groups are: low income, \$1,025 or less; lower middle income, \$1,026–4,035; upper middle income, \$4,036–12,475; and high income, \$12,476 or more. The effective IDA eligibility threshold is \$1,185 or less.

Geographic classifications in this table cover all income levels.

IDA countries are those that lack the financial ability to borrow from IBRD. IDA credits are deeply concessional—interest-free loans and grants for programs aimed at boosting economic growth and improving living conditions. IBRD loans are nonconcessional. Blend countries are eligible for IDA credits because of their low per capita incomes but are also eligible for IBRD because they are financially creditworthy.

Note: The term *country*, used interchangeably with *economy*, does not imply political independence but refers to any territory for which authorities report separate social or economic statistics. Income classifications set on 1 July 2016 remain in effect until 1 July 2017. Argentina, which was temporarily unclassified in July 2016 pending release of revised national accounts statistics, is classified as upper middle income for FY17 as of 29 September 2016 based on alternative conversion factors. Also effective 29 September 2016, Syrian Arab Republic is reclassified from IBRD lending category to IDA-only.