

# **China and India: A Brief Comparative Overview**

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## Size and Significance

	China	India	Combined
Population	1.32 billion	1.1 billion	37.5% of world total
Total GDP 2004 (in US\$ billions)	1,932	691	2,623
GDP per capita (\$PPP 2004)	5,896	3,139	-
Share of world GDP (2004 current exchange rates)	4.7%	1.7%	6.4%
Share of world trade:			
Exports	5.7%	1.2%	6.9%
Imports	4.8%	1.1%	5.9%

## Economic Growth and Trade

	China		India	
	1995-2004	2005-2020	1995-2004	2005-2020
GDP growth	9.1	6.6	6.1	5.5
Contribution to world growth	12.8	15.8	3.2	4.1
Share in increase in world exports	8.9	15.4	1.8	2.7

Source: *Dancing with Giants* World Bank (2007), *Human Development Report 2006*

# Changes in Structure of Economy

## Share of GDP by Sector (%)

	1970			2003		
	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Agriculture	Industry	Services
China	35	41	22	15	52	33
India	42	19	32	22	26	52

## Share of Labor Force by Sector (%)

	1975			2003		
	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Agriculture	Industry	Services
China	78.3	10.1	11.5	44.0	18.0	38.0
India	72.6	11.8	15.5	66.7	12.9	20.3

# Labor

## Changes in Labor Supply

	China			India		
	1975	2004	2015	1975	2004	2015
Population (mill)	927.8	1,308	1,393	620.7	1,087	1260
Working age population (%)		70.5	71.9		62.3	65.8
Pop. under 15 (%)	-	22	18.5	-	32.5	28
Pop. over 65 (%)	-	7.5	9.6	-	5.2	6.2
Urban pop. (%)	17.4	39.5	49.2	21.3	28.5	32
Migrants (million)*		126			30-50	

# Labor

## Quality of Labor Supply - Education and Health

	China	India
Adult literacy	84	57
Youth literacy	98	73
Primary enrolment	-	90
Gross enrolment (all levels)	70.4	62
Life expectancy at birth	71.5	63.1
U5 mortality	31	85
Maternal mortality ratio adjusted (per 1,000 live births), 2000	56	540
HDI 2004 (rank)	0.611 (55)	0.768 (26)

# Economic and Social Outcomes

## Poverty and Inequality

	China		India	
	1981	2001	1981	2001
Headcount index:				
< \$1	63.8	16.6	54.4	34.7
< \$2	88.1	46.7	89.6	79.9
Poverty gap index:				
<\$1	23.41	3.94	17.7	7.08
<\$2	50.82	18.44	47.22	34.43
Gini coefficient		44.7		32.5

# Economic and Social Outcomes

## Gender Inequalities

	China	India
Female labor force participation	69	34
Female labor force participation (as share of male)	84%	41%
Adult literacy:		
Female	86.5	47.8
Male	95.1	73.4
Total sex ratio	1.06	1.05
Sex ratio at birth	1.17	1.06
Sex ratio 15-65	1.06	1.07
Gender Development Index (rank)	0.765 (64)	0.59 (96)