

Average income is the total income of the country divided by its total population. It is also called per capita income.

Average Income = Total Income of Country / Total Population of Country

In World Development Reports, per capita income is used in classifying countries.

Countries with per capita income of US\$ 12,056 per annum and above in 2017, are called rich countries.

Countries with per capita income of US\$ 955 or less are called low-income countries. Eg. India.

Income and Other Criteria

When we think of a nation or a region, besides average income, public facilities are equally significant attributes.

Public Facilities: These are the services provided by the government to its citizens. Some of the important public facilities include infrastructure, sanitation, public transport, health care, water, etc.

Sustainability of Development

Sustainable development is defined as development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future