



Press Release

Central Agency for Public Mobilization And Statistics

On the Occasion of The International day for Eradication of Poverty

27.7% of Egypt's youth lives age group (18 – 29 years old) in poverty

Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics issued on 17/ 10 /2014 a press release on the occasion of the international day for eradication of poverty, which was celebrated on 17th of October yearly since 1993, Where the General Assembly of the United Nations identified this day to promote the awareness of the need to reduce poverty, and development and decrease the percentage of extreme poverty around all countries especially in the developing countries.

Poverty indicators were extracted from the income, expenditure and consumption survey results conducted by the national statistical offices around the world. Its periodicity varies from one country to another and most countries conduct such survey every 5 years. While in Egypt it is conducted every two years since 2008, and the last one was implemented during 2012/2013.

- Extreme poverty (food poverty) is defined as the inability of an individual or family to obtain the basic food needs.
- poverty in its general definition reflects the inability of an individual or family to obtain their basic needs of food and non-food as (food, clothing, housing, health, education , transportation and communications).

The most important indicators of poverty from the Income, Expenditure and Consumption Survey 2012/2013

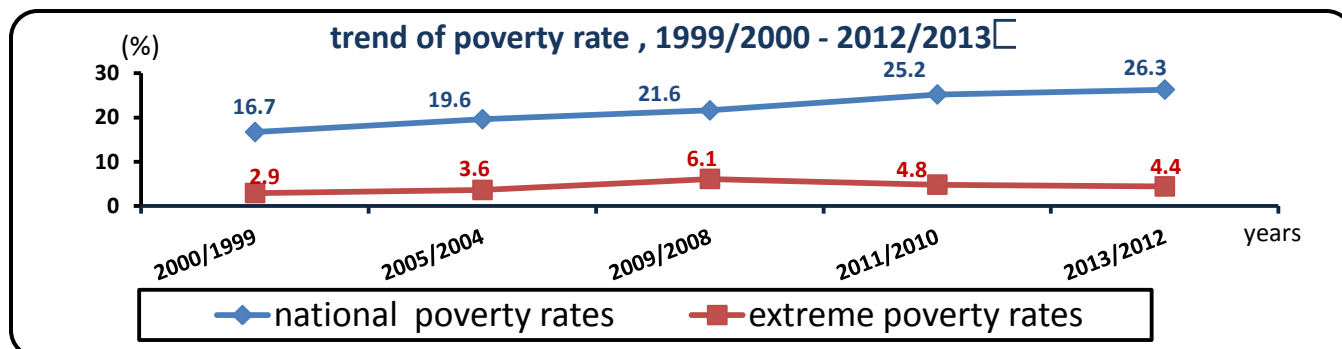
Poverty rates

Poverty rates according to national poverty 1999/2000 – 2012/2013

- 26.3% of the Egyptian population are poor .
- The poverty percentage increased from 16.7% in 1999/2000 to 21.6% of the total of population in 2008/2009 to 26.3 % in 2012/2013.

Poverty rates according to extreme poverty

- an increase of extreme poverty rate occurred during 1999 – 2009 then it declined during the last 4 years this years that most poor individual status was improved but there are few not poor experienced extreme poverty.



- **poverty line**

Poverty rates according to the national lower poverty line by residence, 2010/11-2012/13

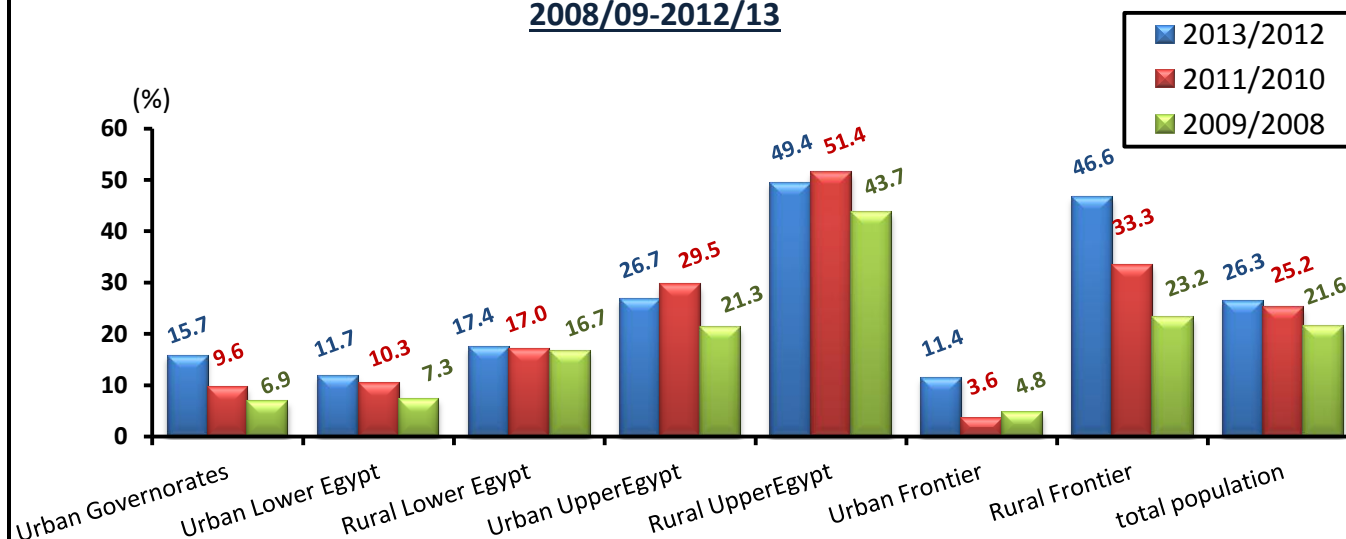
residence	extreme poverty line		Lower poverty line□	
	2010/2011□	2012/2013□	2010/2011□	2012/2013□
Urban gov	182	229	276	360
Urban lower Egypt□	164	207	252	320
Rural lower Egypt□	171	214	250	321
Urban upper Egypt	172	214	262	331
Rural upper Egypt	170	208	252	313
Urban frontier□	177	228	249	333
Rural frontier□	187	224	263	332
Total	172	214	256	327

- The value of the food poverty line in 2012/13 was LE 214, per person per month.
- The value of the lower poverty line in 2012/13 was LE 327, per person per month.

- **Poverty rates according to the national lower poverty line by residence, 2008/09-2012/13**

- The poor percentage increased from 43.7% in rural Upper Egypt in 2008/2009 to 49.4% in 2012/2013.
- The poor ratio increased in urban governorate from 6.9% in 2008/2009 to 15.7% in 2012/2013.

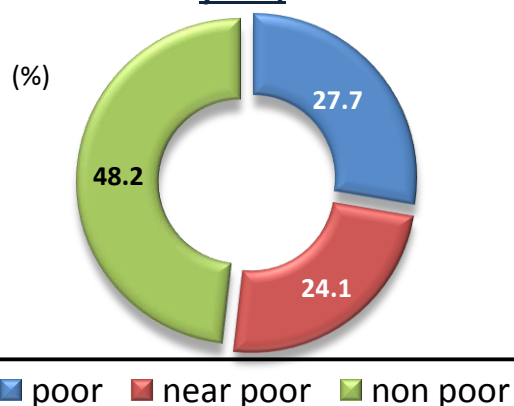
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- **Percentage of poverty among youth in the age group (18-29 years)**

- 20.7 million people, the number of young people in the age group (18-29 years), representing 23.7% of the total population, estimated during 2012/2013 (51.1% males and 48.9% females)
- 51.8% of young people suffer from poverty, of whom (27.7% living in poverty, 24.1% are near the poverty line, and the non-poor represent about 48.2%) for the same age group.

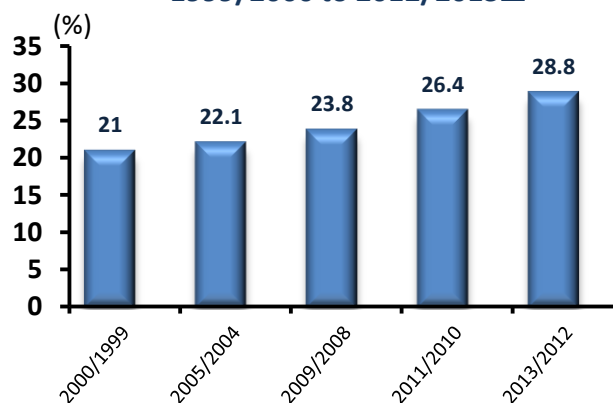
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- **Children living in monetary poverty & children vulnerable to poverty (2012/13)**

- In 2012/2013, 28.8% of Egypt's children (aged 0 – 17) were living in extreme monetary poverty.
- the poverty figures have grown at a faster pace. In the four years between 2008/09 and 2012/13, the child poverty rate increased by 3 percentage points (1999/2000) and (2008/2009).

Trends in monetary poverty 1999/2000 to 2012/2013



- **Child poverty in Egypt's regions**

- Poverty prevalence in Egypt varies across regions. The highest rate was found in rural Upper Egypt where more than half of all children lived in monetary poverty in 2012/13. Very high levels of poverty were also found in Urban Upper Egypt (29%) and Frontier Governorates (26.5%).
- However, child poverty rates were substantial also in other regions: 11.4% in Urban Lower Egypt; 17.4% in Rural Lower Egypt; and 17.9% in Urban Governorates.

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