Analytical Summary: Global Indebtedness Patterns

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This project analyzed the **most indebted nations in the world** using open data from the **World Bank API**, focusing on two indicators:

- **Central government debt (% of GDP)**
- **External public debt (USD)**

1️⃣ Debt as a Percentage of GDP

- Countries such as **Sudan (865.9%)**, **Singapore (175.6%)**, and **Seychelles (174.7%)** recorded the highest debt-to-GDP ratios.
- Extremely high ratios (like Sudan's) often reflect **economic distress**, **currency devaluation**, or **small GDP bases** rather than purely excessive borrowing.
- In contrast, advanced economies like **Singapore, the UK, and the US** maintain higher debt sustainably due to **strong financial institutions** and **investor confidence**.

2️⃣ External Public Debt in USD

- In absolute terms, **China, Mexico, Indonesia, and India** hold the largest external public debts.
- However, these countries also have **large economies**, meaning their **debt-to-GDP ratios remain manageable**.
- Regional aggregates such as *"Low & middle income"* reflect broader patterns of borrowing across developing economies.

3️⃣ Global Trend Interpretation

- **Developing nations** often borrow externally to fund infrastructure and social programs.
- **Developed economies** rely on domestic debt issuance to stimulate growth or fund welfare policies.
- A high **debt-to-GDP ratio** doesn’t always signal crisis — what matters is the **capacity to service debt** (through exports, reserves, and growth).

4️⃣ Policy Implications

- Countries must balance between **borrowing for development** and maintaining **fiscal sustainability**.
- International institutions (e.g., IMF, World Bank) play a key role in **debt restructuring** and **resilience-building** programs.