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Case Study: Trends in World Health and Economics

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"New Insights on Poverty" and "The Best Stats You've Ever Seen"

are the title of these talks.

Specifically, in this section, we set out

to answer the following two questions.

First, is it a fair characterization of today's world

to say that it is divided into a Western rich nations,

and the developing world in Africa, Asia, and Latin America?

Second, has income inequality across countries

worsened during the last 40 years?

We're going to use data

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This video corresponds to the [textbook section introducing the case study on new insights in poverty](#).

More about Gapminder

The original Gapminder TED talks are available and we encourage you to watch them.

- [The Best Stats You've Ever Seen](#)
- [New Insights on Poverty](#)

You can also find more information and raw data (in addition to what we analyze in class) at <https://www.gapminder.org/>.

Key points

- Data visualization can be used to dispel common myths and educate the public and contradict sensationalist or outdated claims and stories.
- We will use real data to answer the following questions about world health and economics:
 - Is it still fair to consider the world as divided into the West and the developing world?
 - Has income inequality across countries worsened over the last 40 years?

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