

# Variations without measurement: the case of extreme poverty during the MDGs

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Stochastic dominance techniques can be used to compare poverty variations or assess relative poverty changes. As in the case of poverty orderings, this can be done without reference to a specific poverty index or a specific value for the poverty line. With the help of these tools, the study shows that, during the period 2002-2012, global poverty decreased by at least 50%, whatever the way this global poverty is measured.

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