

**Table A.10. Average annual rate of change of the percentage rural  
by major area, region and country, 1950-2030**

Estimates: 1950-2005

Major area, region and country	Average annual rate of change (per cent)							
	1950-1955	1955-1960	1960-1965	1965-1970	1970-1975	1975-1980	1980-1985	1985-1990
<b>WORLD</b>	-0.51	-0.58	-0.56	-0.39	-0.40	-0.61	-0.62	-0.71
<b>MORE DEVELOPED REGIONS (*)</b>	-1.35	-1.49	-1.56	-1.63	-1.37	-1.14	-0.79	-0.86
<b>LESS DEVELOPED REGIONS (+)</b>	-0.41	-0.49	-0.53	-0.40	-0.46	-0.72	-0.80	-0.87
Least developed countries (#)	-0.22	-0.26	-0.36	-0.44	-0.43	-0.60	-0.43	-0.45
Other less developed countries	-0.44	-0.53	-0.55	-0.39	-0.47	-0.75	-0.87	-0.97
Less developed regions, excluding China	-0.47	-0.50	-0.58	-0.62	-0.69	-0.76	-0.71	-0.69
<b>Sub-Saharan Africa</b>	-0.36	-0.46	-0.53	-0.53	-0.51	-0.59	-0.57	-0.67
<b>AFRICA</b>	-0.44	-0.53	-0.62	-0.56	-0.53	-0.60	-0.60	-0.65
<b>EASTERN AFRICA</b>	-0.21	-0.24	-0.30	-0.37	-0.45	-0.54	-0.37	-0.40
Burundi .....	-0.03	-0.03	-0.04	-0.04	-0.17	-0.23	-0.19	-0.22
Comoros (1) .....	-0.55	-0.76	-1.04	-0.59	-0.46	-0.51	-0.63	-0.70
Djibouti .....	-1.81	-2.03	-2.48	-2.77	-3.02	-3.27	-2.14	-0.84
Eritrea .....	-0.27	-0.31	-0.36	-0.27	-0.20	-0.21	-0.20	-0.14
Ethiopia .....	-0.18	-0.21	-0.25	-0.22	-0.19	-0.21	-0.23	-0.27
Kenya .....	-0.18	-0.20	-0.27	-0.37	-0.59	-0.65	-0.30	-0.30
Madagascar .....	-0.29	-0.34	-0.39	-0.40	-0.53	-0.53	-0.60	-0.68
Malawi .....	-0.08	-0.09	-0.11	-0.24	-0.35	-0.31	-0.26	-0.31
Mauritius (2) .....	-0.46	-0.66	-1.18	-1.67	-0.49	0.38	0.01	-0.55
Mozambique .....	-0.12	-0.15	-0.20	-0.25	-0.63	-0.99	-0.86	-1.07
Réunion .....	-1.19	-1.41	-1.65	-1.17	-0.98	-3.54	-7.43	-10.72
Rwanda .....	-0.06	-0.07	-0.08	-0.09	-0.17	-0.15	-0.07	-0.08
Seychelles .....	-0.02	-0.06	-1.57	-1.86	-2.51	-1.19	0.03	-0.00
Somalia .....	-0.50	-0.58	-0.65	-0.69	-0.74	-0.34	-0.36	-0.45
Uganda .....	-0.15	-0.18	-0.23	-0.25	-0.08	-0.11	-0.35	-0.43
United Republic of Tanzania .....	-0.19	-0.18	-0.17	-0.39	-0.73	-0.78	-0.52	-0.52
Zambia .....	-0.69	-0.87	-1.32	-1.91	-1.36	-1.56	0.05	0.08
Zimbabwe .....	-0.21	-0.23	-0.47	-0.65	-0.62	-0.63	-0.80	-0.98
<b>MIDDLE AFRICA</b>	-0.42	-0.48	-0.82	-1.00	-0.62	-0.51	-0.46	-0.57
Angola .....	-0.29	-0.34	-0.47	-0.57	-1.01	-1.32	-1.66	-2.06
Cameroon .....	-0.47	-0.57	-0.70	-0.84	-1.84	-1.32	-1.31	-1.46
Central African Republic .....	-0.63	-0.74	-0.87	-1.02	-1.32	-0.57	-0.51	-0.40
Chad .....	-0.21	-0.26	-0.37	-0.70	-0.93	-0.78	-0.25	-0.26
Congo .....	-0.88	-0.99	-1.10	-1.23	-1.41	-1.69	-1.75	-0.90
Dem. Republic of the Congo .....	-0.39	-0.42	-1.00	-1.17	0.23	0.22	0.21	0.04
Equatorial Guinea .....	-1.19	-1.35	-0.26	-0.13	-0.13	-0.13	-0.58	-1.42
Gabon .....	-0.63	-0.77	-1.61	-2.28	-3.52	-4.60	-3.74	-3.95
São Tomé and Príncipe .....	-0.29	-0.32	-1.42	-2.07	-0.61	-0.55	-1.42	-1.89
<b>NORTHERN AFRICA</b>	-0.73	-0.79	-1.02	-0.76	-0.68	-0.60	-0.76	-0.84
Algeria .....	-1.04	-1.22	-2.17	-0.60	-0.28	-1.11	-1.63	-1.65
Egypt .....	-0.87	-0.95	-0.93	-0.52	-0.43	-0.14	-0.03	0.17
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya .....	-0.93	-1.10	-1.64	-3.99	-5.02	-5.70	-5.74	-2.34
Morocco .....	-0.42	-0.45	-0.75	-0.81	-1.01	-1.14	-1.24	-1.34
Sudan .....	-0.38	-0.48	-0.60	-0.74	-0.59	-0.25	-0.61	-1.13
Tunisia .....	-0.89	-0.71	-0.72	-1.66	-2.02	-0.68	-1.12	-2.52
Western Sahara .....	-2.70	-3.19	2.05	2.36	-2.72	-13.84	-10.26	-5.01
<b>SOUTHERN AFRICA</b>	-0.68	-0.74	-0.31	-0.30	-0.20	-0.21	-0.50	-1.08
Botswana .....	-0.03	-0.04	-0.16	-0.83	-0.90	-1.08	-2.62	-4.65
Lesotho .....	-0.11	-0.31	-0.62	-0.49	-0.49	-0.59	-0.72	-0.17
Namibia .....	-0.50	-0.57	-0.52	-0.57	-0.35	-0.37	-0.35	-0.35
South Africa .....	-0.77	-0.81	-0.24	-0.21	-0.12	-0.12	-0.37	-1.08
Swaziland .....	-0.14	-0.31	-0.54	-0.70	-0.98	-0.91	-0.99	-0.28
<b>WESTERN AFRICA</b>	-0.44	-0.67	-0.71	-0.59	-0.61	-0.86	-0.91	-0.98
Benin .....	-0.39	-0.54	-0.73	-0.98	-1.29	-1.44	-0.97	-1.10
Burkina Faso .....	-0.08	-0.09	-0.10	-0.11	-0.12	-0.53	-0.79	-0.34
Cape Verde .....	-0.28	-0.30	-0.34	-0.37	-0.47	-0.54	-2.20	-4.07
Côte d'Ivoire .....	-0.71	-1.08	-1.73	-0.99	-1.17	-1.44	-0.43	-0.48
Gambia .....	-0.20	-0.22	-0.55	-1.20	-1.26	-1.08	-1.33	-1.65
Ghana .....	-0.88	-1.06	-0.75	-0.80	-0.31	-0.32	-0.51	-1.09
Guinea .....	-0.37	-0.46	-0.57	-0.70	-0.86	-1.05	-0.80	-0.38
Guinea-Bissau .....	-0.38	-0.44	-0.17	-0.18	-0.19	-0.40	-1.21	-1.53
Liberia .....	-0.61	-0.73	-0.87	-1.03	-1.22	-1.42	-1.63	-1.75
Mali .....	-0.27	-0.31	-0.35	-0.40	-0.45	-0.54	-0.64	-0.60

**Table A.10. Average annual rate of change of the percentage rural (continued)**

**2005-2030: Projections**

Average annual rate of change (per cent)								Major area, region and country
1990-1995	1995-2000	2000-2005	2005-2010	2010-2015	2015-2020	2020-2025	2025-2030	
-0.64	-0.71	-0.76	-0.81	-0.88	-0.97	-1.07	-1.19	<b>WORLD</b>
-0.80	-0.67	-0.68	-0.82	-1.01	-1.21	-1.40	-1.56	<b>MORE DEVELOPED REGIONS (*)</b>
-0.79	-0.86	-0.89	-0.92	-0.97	-1.04	-1.12	-1.23	<b>LESS DEVELOPED REGIONS (+)</b>
-0.47	-0.48	-0.54	-0.64	-0.74	-0.85	-0.98	-1.10	Least developed countries (#)
-0.88	-0.97	-1.02	-1.05	-1.10	-1.17	-1.26	-1.37	Other less developed countries
-0.60	-0.63	-0.64	-0.70	-0.78	-0.88	-1.01	-1.15	Less developed regions, excluding China
-0.71	-0.67	-0.69	-0.73	-0.80	-0.88	-0.99	-1.10	<b>Sub-Saharan Africa</b>
-0.66	-0.63	-0.67	-0.72	-0.79	-0.88	-1.00	-1.09	<b>AFRICA</b>
-0.38	-0.31	-0.35	-0.42	-0.51	-0.63	-0.76	-0.89	<b>EASTERN AFRICA</b>
-0.23	-0.27	-0.31	-0.37	-0.43	-0.50	-0.58	-0.68	Burundi .....
-0.77	-0.87	-0.98	-1.11	-1.24	-1.37	-1.48	-1.59	Comoros (1) .....
-3.41	-3.94	-3.60	-3.13	-2.61	-2.06	-1.62	-1.61	Djibouti .....
-0.19	-0.29	-0.40	-0.54	-0.72	-0.84	-0.95	-1.06	Eritrea .....
-0.29	-0.23	-0.25	-0.33	-0.43	-0.55	-0.69	-0.84	Ethiopia .....
-0.18	-0.19	-0.25	-0.37	-0.50	-0.66	-0.86	-0.99	Kenya .....
-0.51	-0.14	-0.22	-0.37	-0.54	-0.74	-0.98	-1.12	Madagascar .....
-0.37	-0.42	-0.49	-0.57	-0.67	-0.78	-0.90	-1.01	Malawi .....
0.22	0.22	0.11	-0.16	-0.44	-0.74	-1.08	-1.28	Mauritius (2) .....
-1.34	-1.25	-1.13	-1.23	-1.32	-1.40	-1.46	-1.51	Mozambique .....
-6.04	-6.31	-5.73	-4.78	-3.76	-2.69	-1.73	-1.61	Réunion .....
-0.62	-1.23	-1.33	-1.17	-1.29	-1.38	-1.41	-1.39	Rwanda .....
-0.22	-0.48	-0.76	-1.07	-1.34	-1.42	-1.49	-1.55	Seychelles .....
-0.51	-0.54	-0.59	-0.71	-0.85	-1.01	-1.20	-1.36	Somalia .....
-0.13	-0.10	-0.11	-0.17	-0.26	-0.36	-0.50	-0.64	Uganda .....
-0.41	-0.45	-0.49	-0.58	-0.70	-0.83	-0.98	-1.14	United Republic of Tanzania .....
0.75	0.72	-0.06	-0.22	-0.41	-0.62	-0.86	-1.13	Zambia .....
-0.79	-0.60	-0.65	-0.76	-0.89	-1.04	-1.21	-1.37	Zimbabwe .....
-0.68	-0.81	-0.82	-0.98	-1.07	-1.15	-1.23	-1.32	<b>MIDDLE AFRICA</b>
-2.37	-2.21	-1.38	-1.44	-1.49	-1.54	-1.58	-1.62	Angola .....
-1.62	-1.79	-1.94	-1.97	-1.94	-1.88	-1.79	-1.72	Cameroon .....
-0.13	-0.13	-0.14	-0.28	-0.48	-0.71	-0.96	-1.22	Central African Republic .....
-0.28	-0.38	-0.50	-0.64	-0.82	-1.00	-1.12	-1.23	Chad .....
-0.94	-0.89	-0.91	-1.00	-1.12	-1.25	-1.38	-1.51	Congo .....
-0.17	-0.40	-0.66	-0.94	-1.06	-1.16	-1.26	-1.36	Dem. Republic of the Congo .....
-1.29	0.01	-0.04	-0.25	-0.48	-0.74	-1.03	-1.26	Equatorial Guinea .....
-4.50	-4.32	-3.82	-3.21	-2.51	-1.86	-1.79	-1.81	Gabon .....
-1.85	-1.95	-2.09	-2.09	-2.03	-1.93	-1.80	-1.74	São Tomé and Príncipe .....
-0.75	-0.78	-0.90	-0.98	-1.10	-1.22	-1.38	-1.48	<b>NORTHERN AFRICA</b>
-1.70	-1.81	-1.83	-1.81	-1.77	-1.71	-1.67	-1.71	Algeria .....
0.24	0.10	-0.09	-0.33	-0.59	-0.87	-1.19	-1.33	Egypt .....
-2.41	-2.35	-2.17	-1.98	-1.77	-1.56	-1.52	-1.53	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya .....
-1.42	-1.37	-1.66	-1.65	-1.66	-1.66	-1.65	-1.64	Morocco .....
-1.32	-1.44	-1.52	-1.56	-1.57	-1.58	-1.69	-1.80	Sudan .....
-0.95	-1.02	-1.06	-1.13	-1.22	-1.32	-1.42	-1.51	Tunisia .....
-4.46	-0.90	-0.90	-0.95	-1.03	-1.10	-1.18	-1.26	Western Sahara .....
-1.02	-1.00	-1.08	-1.15	-1.23	-1.32	-1.42	-1.50	<b>SOUTHERN AFRICA</b>
-2.59	-1.74	-1.85	-1.87	-1.84	-1.80	-1.73	-1.70	Botswana .....
-0.06	-0.10	-0.21	-0.34	-0.50	-0.69	-0.84	-0.94	Lesotho .....
-0.61	-0.75	-0.82	-0.92	-1.03	-1.16	-1.30	-1.43	Namibia .....
-1.05	-1.09	-1.14	-1.22	-1.31	-1.40	-1.50	-1.57	South Africa .....
-0.04	-0.07	-0.21	-0.37	-0.55	-0.77	-0.97	-1.07	Swaziland .....
-1.00	-1.04	-1.04	-1.09	-1.12	-1.18	-1.28	-1.37	<b>WESTERN AFRICA</b>
-0.71	-0.51	-0.56	-0.70	-0.85	-1.03	-1.24	-1.40	Benin .....
-0.30	-0.34	-0.42	-0.51	-0.63	-0.76	-0.90	-1.02	Burkina Faso .....
-1.74	-1.91	-1.75	-1.78	-1.78	-1.75	-1.70	-1.67	Cape Verde .....
-0.55	-0.58	-0.69	-0.84	-1.01	-1.20	-1.40	-1.49	Côte d'Ivoire .....
-1.88	-1.97	-1.98	-1.94	-1.84	-1.76	-1.84	-1.92	Gambia .....
-1.20	-1.32	-1.41	-1.48	-1.53	-1.57	-1.60	-1.67	Ghana .....
-0.40	-0.45	-0.57	-0.72	-0.89	-1.08	-1.26	-1.36	Guinea .....
-0.47	0.03	0.03	-0.11	-0.31	-0.52	-0.77	-1.03	Guinea-Bissau .....
-1.79	-1.80	-1.76	-1.70	-1.77	-1.86	-1.95	-2.03	Liberia .....
-0.58	-0.64	-0.73	-0.85	-0.97	-1.12	-1.27	-1.38	Mali .....

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	1950-1955	1955-1960	1960-1965	1965-1970	1970-1975	1975-1980	1980-1985	1985-1990
Mauritania .....	-0.32	-0.48	-0.70	-1.02	-1.46	-1.79	-2.22	-1.49
Niger .....	-0.09	-0.10	-0.22	-0.43	-0.58	-0.46	-0.25	-0.20
Nigeria .....	-0.42	-0.74	-0.74	-0.46	-0.51	-0.93	-1.09	-1.28
Saint Helena (3) .....	0.51	0.50	0.49	0.48	0.46	0.45	0.44	0.43
Senegal .....	-0.67	-0.77	-0.89	-1.02	-1.08	-0.64	-0.56	-0.45
Sierra Leone .....	-0.41	-0.51	-0.63	-0.77	-0.90	-0.71	-0.80	-0.89
Togo .....	-0.49	-0.73	-1.09	-1.52	-0.44	-0.48	-0.68	-0.83
<b>ASIA</b>	<b>-0.34</b>	<b>-0.41</b>	<b>-0.42</b>	<b>-0.29</b>	<b>-0.35</b>	<b>-0.63</b>	<b>-0.73</b>	<b>-0.84</b>
<b>EASTERN ASIA</b>	<b>-0.38</b>	<b>-0.54</b>	<b>-0.48</b>	<b>-0.17</b>	<b>-0.13</b>	<b>-0.64</b>	<b>-0.86</b>	<b>-1.19</b>
China (4) .....	-0.27	-0.43	-0.37	0.04	—	-0.55	-0.85	-1.18
China, Hong Kong SAR (5) .....	—	—	-1.72	-2.02	-3.49	-3.80	-3.71	-53.70
China, Macao SAR (6) .....	4.17	4.14	-4.18	-5.06	-10.00	-13.86	-15.01	-15.08
Dem. People's Republic of Korea .....	-1.34	-1.52	-1.71	-3.63	-1.12	-0.09	-0.35	-0.35
Japan .....	-1.28	-1.42	-1.57	-2.35	-1.61	-1.31	-0.50	-1.32
Mongolia .....	-1.73	-2.64	-2.11	-1.04	-1.36	-1.38	-1.27	-0.91
Republic of Korea .....	-0.79	-0.90	-1.33	-2.64	-2.64	-3.66	-4.18	-5.90
<b>SOUTH-CENTRAL ASIA</b>	<b>-0.21</b>	<b>-0.19</b>	<b>-0.28</b>	<b>-0.31</b>	<b>-0.44</b>	<b>-0.55</b>	<b>-0.41</b>	<b>-0.37</b>
Afghanistan .....	-0.22	-0.25	-0.30	-0.37	-0.51	-0.56	-0.31	-0.33
Bangladesh .....	-0.09	-0.10	-0.23	-0.30	-0.49	-1.15	-0.62	-0.56
Bhutan .....	-0.07	-0.09	-0.10	-0.12	-0.14	-0.16	-0.18	-0.21
India .....	-0.13	-0.08	-0.21	-0.24	-0.40	-0.45	-0.33	-0.32
Iran (Islamic Republic of) .....	-0.85	-0.94	-1.03	-1.36	-1.61	-1.51	-1.53	-1.30
Kazakhstan .....	-1.32	-1.31	-1.05	-1.24	-0.96	-0.68	-0.83	-0.12
Kyrgyzstan .....	-1.15	-1.06	-0.51	-0.51	-0.23	-0.14	0.08	0.19
Maldives .....	-0.06	-0.06	-0.06	-0.10	-1.27	-1.23	-0.85	-0.09
Nepal .....	-0.08	-0.09	-0.05	-0.05	-0.18	-0.27	-0.28	-0.32
Pakistan .....	-0.54	-0.60	-0.36	-0.34	-0.41	-0.48	-0.36	-0.35
Sri Lanka .....	-0.08	-0.19	-0.29	-0.46	0.01	0.17	0.19	0.19
Tajikistan .....	-0.53	-0.57	-0.60	-0.54	0.42	0.38	0.32	0.50
Turkmenistan .....	-0.26	-0.27	-0.27	-0.24	0.09	0.18	0.41	0.34
Uzbekistan .....	-0.37	-0.39	-0.40	-0.45	-0.76	-0.56	0.03	0.19
<b>SOUTH-EASTERN ASIA</b>	<b>-0.35</b>	<b>-0.38</b>	<b>-0.35</b>	<b>-0.37</b>	<b>-0.52</b>	<b>-0.58</b>	<b>-0.78</b>	<b>-0.91</b>
Brunei Darussalam .....	-2.27	-2.89	-3.56	-4.24	-0.17	1.08	-1.21	-1.99
Cambodia .....	-0.01	-0.01	-0.12	-0.20	0.31	-0.47	-0.05	—
Indonesia .....	-0.24	-0.26	-0.28	-0.31	-0.55	-0.70	-1.05	-1.25
Lao People's Dem. Republic .....	-0.07	-0.08	-0.08	-0.29	-0.32	-0.29	-0.33	-0.38
Malaysia .....	-0.78	-0.85	-0.92	-1.04	-1.30	-1.46	-1.38	-1.50
Myanmar .....	-0.35	-0.39	-0.44	-0.48	-0.29	-0.03	-0.04	-0.18
Philippines .....	-0.43	-0.45	-0.38	-0.41	-0.79	-0.61	-1.86	-2.12
Singapore .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Thailand .....	-0.38	-0.40	-0.14	-0.17	-0.74	-0.81	-0.36	-0.37
Timor-Leste .....	-0.02	-0.02	-0.28	-0.35	-0.40	-0.45	-0.50	-0.57
Viet Nam .....	-0.33	-0.37	-0.41	-0.45	-0.12	-0.11	-0.08	-0.17
<b>WESTERN ASIA</b>	<b>-1.04</b>	<b>-1.13</b>	<b>-1.32</b>	<b>-1.57</b>	<b>-1.54</b>	<b>-1.28</b>	<b>-2.37</b>	<b>-1.87</b>
Armenia .....	-1.56	-1.72	-1.87	-2.01	-1.96	-1.46	-0.80	0.02
Azerbaijan .....	-1.03	-0.89	-0.42	-0.47	-0.77	-0.37	-0.31	-0.10
Bahrain .....	-7.50	-6.50	-0.20	-1.51	-1.54	-1.56	-1.58	-1.60
Cyprus .....	-1.13	-1.00	-0.81	-0.85	-2.33	-4.84	-3.17	-1.22
Georgia .....	-0.81	-0.86	-0.92	-0.95	-0.80	-0.85	-0.93	-0.59
Iraq .....	-0.79	-1.76	-2.92	-2.36	-2.54	-2.27	-1.98	-0.61
Israel .....	—	-4.50	-3.89	-3.75	-3.37	-3.14	-2.31	-1.07
Jordan .....	-2.08	-2.89	-1.43	-0.76	-0.78	-1.11	-3.43	-3.89
Kuwait .....	-4.56	-3.99	-3.83	-7.37	-6.01	-14.20	-18.25	-1.01
Lebanon .....	-1.31	-1.99	-3.23	-3.82	-4.09	-4.53	-4.93	-3.96
Occupied Palestinian Territory .....	-1.09	-1.19	-1.81	-2.23	-2.47	-1.46	-1.53	-1.59
Oman .....	-0.39	-0.46	-1.30	-1.84	-2.54	-3.38	-4.29	-5.20
Qatar .....	-3.39	-3.52	-2.91	-1.88	-0.93	-0.84	-1.44	-4.80
Saudi Arabia .....	-1.22	-1.48	-2.32	-3.53	-4.18	-3.98	-4.43	-3.11
Syrian Arab Republic .....	-0.88	-0.97	-1.05	-1.15	-0.62	-0.61	-0.45	-0.40
Turkey .....	-1.03	-0.85	-0.81	-1.26	-1.12	-0.77	-3.35	-3.06
United Arab Emirates .....	-5.00	-5.81	-3.07	-3.21	-3.34	2.86	1.33	0.71
Yemen .....	-0.32	-0.40	-0.43	-0.52	-0.36	-0.40	-0.45	-0.64

**Table A.10. Average annual rate of change of the percentage rural (continued)**

**2005-2030: Projections**

Average annual rate of change (per cent)								Major area, region and country
1990-1995	1995-2000	2000-2005	2005-2010	2010-2015	2015-2020	2020-2025	2025-2030	
-0.05	-0.05	-0.14	-0.35	-0.58	-0.84	-1.13	-1.31	Mauritania .....
-0.10	-0.10	-0.14	-0.24	-0.36	-0.50	-0.68	-0.82	Niger .....
-1.43	-1.51	-1.57	-1.60	-1.61	-1.64	-1.74	-1.83	Nigeria .....
0.41	0.37	0.10	-0.19	-0.50	-0.84	-1.15	-1.24	Saint Helena (3) .....
-0.28	-0.28	-0.31	-0.47	-0.66	-0.87	-1.11	-1.34	Senegal .....
-0.99	-1.09	-1.19	-1.30	-1.41	-1.53	-1.64	-1.76	Sierra Leone .....
-0.92	-1.03	-1.14	-1.25	-1.37	-1.48	-1.59	-1.71	Togo .....
-0.75	-0.83	-0.87	-0.93	-1.00	-1.07	-1.16	-1.29	<b>ASIA</b>
-1.10	-1.25	-1.41	-1.49	-1.55	-1.58	-1.59	-1.65	<b>EASTERN ASIA</b>
-1.12	-1.33	-1.50	-1.58	-1.62	-1.64	-1.63	-1.67	China (4) .....
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	China, Hong Kong SAR (5) .....
-15.97	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	China, Macao SAR (6) .....
-0.36	-0.52	-0.73	-0.95	-1.18	-1.42	-1.49	-1.54	Dem. People's Republic of Korea .....
-0.86	-0.31	-0.37	-0.59	-0.82	-1.06	-1.32	-1.45	Japan .....
0.11	0.10	-0.06	-0.35	-0.64	-0.95	-1.28	-1.41	Mongolia .....
-3.68	-1.31	-1.18	-1.23	-1.29	-1.35	-1.40	-1.44	Republic of Korea .....
-0.30	-0.32	-0.33	-0.45	-0.60	-0.77	-0.96	-1.15	<b>SOUTH-CENTRAL ASIA</b>
-0.36	-0.39	-0.42	-0.50	-0.61	-0.74	-0.89	-1.07	Afghanistan .....
-0.43	-0.44	-0.50	-0.60	-0.72	-0.87	-1.04	-1.18	Bangladesh .....
-0.25	-0.29	-0.33	-0.39	-0.45	-0.53	-0.62	-0.72	Bhutan .....
-0.28	-0.29	-0.30	-0.39	-0.54	-0.71	-0.91	-1.13	India .....
-1.87	-2.10	-1.59	-1.61	-1.62	-1.61	-1.60	-1.58	Iran (Islamic Republic of) .....
0.16	-0.16	-0.48	-0.62	-0.81	-1.01	-1.22	-1.43	Kazakhstan .....
0.45	0.30	-0.13	-0.26	-0.46	-0.68	-0.93	-1.19	Kyrgyzstan .....
0.05	-0.51	-0.59	-0.70	-0.84	-0.99	-1.17	-1.30	Maldives .....
-0.45	-0.58	-0.54	-0.59	-0.68	-0.77	-0.87	-0.97	Nepal .....
-0.36	-0.39	-0.52	-0.67	-0.85	-1.06	-1.26	-1.36	Pakistan .....
0.18	0.17	0.13	0.00	-0.13	-0.29	-0.47	-0.64	Sri Lanka .....
1.02	0.57	0.32	0.12	-0.10	-0.33	-0.60	-0.85	Tajikistan .....
0.12	-0.14	-0.42	-0.71	-1.05	-1.29	-1.37	-1.45	Turkmenistan .....
0.55	0.38	0.18	-0.08	-0.35	-0.64	-0.98	-1.18	Uzbekistan .....
-1.10	-1.40	-1.45	-1.48	-1.48	-1.46	-1.44	-1.51	<b>SOUTH-EASTERN ASIA</b>
-1.71	-1.67	-1.71	-1.69	-1.66	-1.62	-1.57	-1.55	Brunei Darussalam .....
-0.36	-0.65	-0.69	-0.78	-0.87	-0.97	-1.06	-1.16	Cambodia .....
-1.49	-2.11	-2.24	-2.26	-2.20	-2.06	-1.86	-1.87	Indonesia .....
-0.42	-0.40	-0.44	-0.51	-0.61	-0.72	-0.86	-1.01	Lao People's Dem. Republic .....
-2.46	-2.99	-3.14	-2.97	-2.70	-2.36	-1.96	-1.82	Malaysia .....
-0.34	-0.52	-0.74	-0.96	-1.07	-1.18	-1.29	-1.40	Myanmar .....
-2.16	-2.07	-2.12	-2.07	-1.99	-1.87	-1.74	-1.74	Philippines .....
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Singapore .....
-0.24	-0.25	-0.34	-0.50	-0.67	-0.88	-1.12	-1.26	Thailand .....
-0.46	-0.49	-0.53	-0.60	-0.72	-0.85	-1.00	-1.16	Timor-Leste .....
-0.50	-0.54	-0.57	-0.67	-0.79	-0.92	-1.08	-1.23	Viet Nam .....
-0.73	-0.64	-0.67	-0.65	-0.75	-0.89	-1.07	-1.23	<b>WESTERN ASIA</b>
0.71	0.69	0.58	0.19	-0.21	-0.61	-1.04	-1.33	Armenia .....
0.65	0.54	-0.25	-0.15	-0.41	-0.68	-0.97	-1.28	Azerbaijan .....
-6.79	-9.07	-8.66	-7.15	-5.55	-3.92	-2.28	-1.60	Bahrain .....
-0.77	-0.39	-0.44	-0.63	-0.84	-1.06	-1.29	-1.44	Cyprus .....
0.55	0.54	0.20	-0.20	-0.46	-0.74	-1.03	-1.33	Georgia .....
0.60	0.60	0.55	0.20	-0.18	-0.58	-0.98	-1.32	Iraq .....
-1.08	-1.28	-0.42	-0.25	-0.51	-0.76	-1.02	-1.22	Israel .....
-5.05	-1.94	-1.98	-1.94	-1.84	-1.73	-1.61	-1.49	Jordan .....
-1.00	-1.03	-1.06	-1.11	-1.13	-1.17	-1.19	-1.18	Kuwait .....
-2.12	-1.62	-0.88	-0.98	-1.09	-1.20	-1.31	-1.35	Lebanon .....
-1.65	-0.73	-0.09	-0.33	-0.61	-0.89	-1.20	-1.39	Occupied Palestinian Territory .....
-4.03	0.07	0.06	-0.16	-0.45	-0.74	-1.05	-1.34	Oman .....
-5.47	-3.17	-1.98	-1.87	-1.72	-1.58	-1.42	-1.29	Qatar .....
-1.87	-1.14	-1.15	-1.19	-1.24	-1.29	-1.35	-1.40	Saudi Arabia .....
-0.36	-0.09	-0.23	-0.46	-0.69	-0.93	-1.21	-1.41	Syrian Arab Republic .....
-1.49	-1.43	-1.50	-1.50	-1.52	-1.54	-1.56	-1.57	Turkey .....
0.66	0.92	0.56	-0.16	-0.43	-0.71	-1.00	-1.29	United Arab Emirates .....
-0.71	-0.46	-0.50	-0.60	-0.72	-0.86	-1.03	-1.20	Yemen .....

Table A.10. Average annual rate of change of the percentage rural (continued)

Estimates: 1950-2005

Major area, region and country	Average annual rate of change (per cent)							
	1950-1955	1955-1960	1960-1965	1965-1970	1970-1975	1975-1980	1980-1985	1985-1990
<b>EUROPE</b>	-1.21	-1.34	-1.53	-1.51	-1.66	-1.41	-0.90	-0.80
<b>EASTERN EUROPE</b>	-1.59	-1.67	-1.67	-1.63	-2.01	-1.78	-1.42	-1.11
Belarus .....	-0.72	-1.02	-1.77	-2.00	-2.51	-2.54	-2.62	-2.58
Bulgaria .....	-1.32	-1.50	-2.96	-2.57	-2.34	-2.26	-1.36	-1.04
Czech Republic .....	-0.84	-0.89	-1.17	-1.28	-5.57	-7.11	-0.52	—
Hungary .....	-0.61	-0.66	-0.98	-1.02	-1.09	-1.07	-0.51	-0.43
Poland .....	-1.64	-1.73	-0.88	-0.82	-1.36	-1.30	-0.91	-0.67
Republic of Moldova .....	-0.79	-0.94	-1.11	-1.28	-1.26	-1.35	-1.31	-0.95
Romania .....	-1.39	-1.06	-1.09	-0.86	-0.86	-1.07	-1.61	-1.80
Russian Federation .....	-1.79	-1.98	-2.11	-2.09	-2.49	-1.80	-1.53	-1.02
Slovakia .....	-0.49	-0.52	-1.11	-1.32	-1.85	-2.11	-1.08	-1.04
Ukraine .....	-1.91	-1.94	-1.51	-1.77	-1.64	-1.65	-1.62	-1.21
<b>NORTHERN EUROPE</b>	-0.47	-0.57	-0.90	-0.87	-3.81	-3.83	-0.74	-0.34
Channel Islands (7) .....	0.47	0.46	0.56	0.56	0.45	0.42	0.09	0.13
Denmark .....	-1.05	-2.88	-2.73	-2.49	-2.53	-1.85	-0.79	-0.64
Estonia .....	-1.64	-1.76	-1.88	-1.95	-1.57	-1.35	-0.71	-0.25
Faeroe Islands .....	-0.30	-0.70	-1.09	-0.65	-0.67	-0.25	0.12	0.05
Finland (8) .....	-0.92	-0.98	-1.99	-2.40	-3.51	-0.77	0.01	-0.82
Iceland .....	-3.15	-3.31	-2.62	-2.70	-2.49	-2.54	-2.37	-2.40
Ireland .....	-1.25	-0.77	-1.10	-1.21	-0.81	-0.75	-0.43	-0.29
Isle of Man .....	-0.47	-0.48	-0.53	0.22	1.49	0.26	0.01	0.01
Latvia .....	-1.18	-1.37	-1.76	-1.88	-1.83	-1.71	-0.91	-0.44
Lithuania .....	-1.53	-1.71	-1.72	-1.93	-2.59	-2.64	-2.10	-1.51
Norway (9) .....	0.09	0.12	-3.31	-4.08	-1.68	-1.54	-0.53	-0.46
Sweden .....	-2.18	-2.21	-3.63	-3.81	-1.87	-0.42	-0.02	—
United Kingdom .....	0.25	0.25	0.57	0.62	-5.56	-7.24	-1.21	-0.09
<b>SOUTHERN EUROPE</b>	-0.99	-1.04	-1.46	-1.66	-1.20	-1.10	-0.51	-0.41
Albania .....	-1.39	-1.04	-0.15	-0.15	-0.29	-0.31	-0.36	-0.48
Andorra .....	-3.48	-4.27	-9.06	-10.86	-12.08	-12.82	0.36	2.96
Bosnia and Herzegovina .....	-0.59	-0.70	-0.96	-1.17	-1.16	-1.28	-0.65	-0.54
Croatia .....	-0.99	-1.15	-1.43	-1.67	-1.72	-1.88	-0.91	-0.75
Gibraltar .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Greece .....	-0.88	-0.97	-1.69	-1.99	-1.22	-1.12	-0.34	-0.19
Holy See (10) .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Italy .....	-1.24	-1.20	-1.26	-1.32	-0.78	-0.59	-0.11	0.06
Malta .....	-1.84	-0.58	0.61	0.25	-0.08	-0.08	-0.08	-1.12
Portugal .....	-0.52	-0.60	-0.60	-0.62	-0.66	-0.69	-0.90	-0.98
San Marino .....	-1.02	-1.09	-2.28	-2.52	-6.87	-8.37	-9.44	-3.37
Serbia and Montenegro .....	-1.26	-1.26	-1.50	-1.77	-1.24	-1.20	-0.90	-0.88
Slovenia .....	-1.00	-1.19	-1.23	-1.38	-1.78	-2.07	-0.60	-0.32
Spain .....	-0.98	-1.05	-2.30	-2.62	-2.20	-2.24	-1.08	-0.90
TFYR Macedonia (11) .....	-1.35	-1.63	-2.02	-2.39	-1.36	-1.21	-0.98	-0.97
<b>WESTERN EUROPE</b>	-1.29	-1.48	-1.57	-1.38	-0.49	-0.20	-0.32	-0.73
Austria .....	-0.17	-0.18	-0.05	-0.03	-0.10	-0.12	-0.02	—
Belgium .....	-1.23	-1.24	-1.88	-2.17	-2.18	-3.56	-2.53	-2.33
France .....	-1.35	-1.86	-2.93	-2.58	-1.34	-0.26	-0.28	-0.31
Germany .....	-1.51	-1.57	-1.14	-1.03	0.12	0.12	0.12	-0.74
Liechtenstein .....	-0.12	-0.02	0.24	0.25	0.03	0.01	0.16	0.17
Luxembourg .....	-0.73	-0.74	-1.64	-1.80	-2.42	-2.58	-0.64	-0.29
Monaco .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Netherlands .....	-0.86	-0.86	-0.50	-0.47	-0.81	-0.87	-1.15	-1.22
Switzerland .....	-1.24	-1.33	-0.75	-0.71	-0.57	-0.57	-2.84	-3.34
<b>LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN</b>	-1.27	-1.38	-1.63	-1.78	-2.00	-2.09	-1.80	-1.87
<b>CARIBBEAN</b>	-0.54	-0.62	-0.98	-1.03	-1.40	-1.33	-0.90	-0.86
Anguilla .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Antigua and Barbuda .....	-1.43	-1.52	0.98	0.86	-0.12	-0.12	-0.12	-0.13
Aruba .....	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
Bahamas .....	-1.66	-1.78	-2.01	-2.40	-2.55	-2.72	-4.06	-4.29
Barbados .....	-0.08	-0.09	-0.20	-0.18	0.23	0.20	-0.78	-0.82
British Virgin Islands .....	-0.70	-0.85	-1.01	-1.20	-1.40	-1.63	-1.93	-2.20
Cayman Islands .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cuba .....	-0.44	-0.45	-0.46	-0.46	-2.10	-2.30	-1.86	-1.75

Table A.10. Average annual rate of change of the percentage rural (continued)

2005-2030: Projections

Average annual rate of change (per cent)								Major area, region and country
1990-1995	1995-2000	2000-2005	2005-2010	2010-2015	2015-2020	2020-2025	2025-2030	
-0.46	-0.32	-0.35	-0.52	-0.75	-0.99	-1.25	-1.45	<b>EUROPE</b>
-0.09	-0.05	-0.02	-0.20	-0.46	-0.74	-1.03	-1.30	<b>EASTERN EUROPE</b>
-0.95	-1.29	-1.56	-1.76	-1.73	-1.68	-1.63	-1.57	Belarus .....
-0.85	-0.69	-0.75	-0.90	-1.06	-1.22	-1.39	-1.48	Bulgaria .....
0.45	0.51	0.36	-0.02	-0.39	-0.77	-1.16	-1.34	Czech Republic .....
0.36	0.36	-1.00	-1.23	-1.30	-1.37	-1.44	-1.51	Hungary .....
-0.12	-0.12	-0.18	-0.41	-0.67	-0.94	-1.23	-1.43	Poland .....
0.18	0.07	-0.21	-0.49	-0.79	-1.13	-1.33	-1.40	Republic of Moldova .....
-0.26	0.13	0.41	-0.43	-0.66	-0.90	-1.17	-1.41	Romania .....
0.02	0.02	0.26	0.32	-0.04	-0.41	-0.78	-1.17	Russian Federation .....
-0.03	0.13	0.02	-0.27	-0.56	-0.88	-1.22	-1.39	Slovakia .....
-0.12	-0.12	-0.40	-0.70	-0.86	-1.04	-1.22	-1.41	Ukraine .....
-0.47	-0.46	-0.42	-0.57	-0.78	-1.02	-1.26	-1.41	<b>NORTHERN EUROPE</b>
0.25	0.01	-0.00	-0.08	-0.21	-0.35	-0.51	-0.69	Channel Islands (7) .....
-0.18	-0.16	-0.68	-0.90	-1.01	-1.12	-1.23	-1.33	Denmark .....
0.78	0.40	0.19	-0.16	-0.52	-0.88	-1.25	-1.37	Estonia .....
-0.10	-1.63	-0.80	-0.35	-0.53	-0.74	-0.97	-1.23	Faeroe Islands .....
0.03	0.13	0.01	-0.28	-0.58	-0.90	-1.23	-1.40	Finland (8) .....
-2.00	-1.77	-1.20	-1.21	-1.23	-1.24	-1.25	-1.27	Iceland .....
-0.48	-0.59	-0.65	-0.80	-0.98	-1.16	-1.35	-1.50	Ireland .....
-0.02	-0.02	-0.00	-0.11	-0.29	-0.48	-0.68	-0.89	Isle of Man .....
0.32	0.43	0.16	-0.22	-0.49	-0.78	-1.08	-1.36	Latvia .....
0.18	0.18	0.26	0.08	-0.25	-0.58	-0.92	-1.27	Lithuania .....
-1.33	-1.85	-1.10	-0.44	-0.66	-0.89	-1.13	-1.35	Norway (9) .....
-0.88	-0.21	-0.22	-0.46	-0.71	-0.96	-1.21	-1.32	Sweden .....
-0.56	-0.65	-0.70	-0.83	-0.96	-1.10	-1.23	-1.29	United Kingdom .....
-0.46	-0.38	-0.54	-0.68	-0.88	-1.09	-1.32	-1.46	<b>SOUTHERN EUROPE</b>
-0.84	-0.90	-1.28	-1.42	-1.48	-1.53	-1.57	-1.60	Albania .....
4.60	3.05	4.07	3.17	2.04	0.94	-0.14	-0.95	Andorra .....
-0.61	-0.75	-0.91	-1.09	-1.29	-1.43	-1.52	-1.61	Bosnia and Herzegovina .....
-0.38	-0.31	-0.39	-0.60	-0.82	-1.06	-1.32	-1.46	Croatia .....
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-0.01	0.02	-0.08	-0.35	-0.63	-0.93	-1.25	-1.42	Greece .....
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-0.12	-0.18	-0.24	-0.47	-0.71	-0.97	-1.24	-1.43	Italy .....
-1.21	-6.29	-6.76	-5.86	-4.74	-3.61	-2.45	-1.55	Malta .....
-1.27	-1.39	-1.47	-1.51	-1.55	-1.58	-1.60	-1.64	Portugal .....
0.99	-9.28	-16.82	-15.97	-12.91	-9.67	-6.45	-3.21	San Marino .....
-0.20	-0.11	-0.26	-0.49	-0.74	-1.01	-1.31	-1.43	Serbia and Montenegro .....
-0.10	-0.06	-0.11	-0.34	-0.60	-0.87	-1.17	-1.39	Slovenia .....
-0.41	-0.34	-0.39	-0.59	-0.80	-1.02	-1.25	-1.40	Spain .....
-1.42	-2.27	-2.39	-2.32	-2.19	-2.02	-1.83	-1.67	TFYR Macedonia (11) .....
-1.14	-0.64	-0.65	-0.78	-0.94	-1.12	-1.30	-1.43	<b>WESTERN EUROPE</b>
—	—	-0.11	-0.38	-0.66	-0.95	-1.27	-1.42	Austria .....
-2.34	-2.19	-0.77	-0.82	-0.90	-1.00	-1.08	-1.16	Belgium .....
-0.67	-0.69	-0.80	-0.94	-1.10	-1.26	-1.41	-1.45	France .....
-1.21	-0.08	-0.11	-0.33	-0.60	-0.86	-1.14	-1.37	Germany .....
0.11	0.32	0.14	0.04	-0.08	-0.21	-0.36	-0.55	Liechtenstein .....
-2.15	-1.03	1.11	0.67	0.17	-0.32	-0.82	-1.22	Luxembourg .....
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-2.83	-3.17	-3.17	-2.89	-2.55	-2.18	-1.78	-1.62	Netherlands .....
-1.67	-1.55	-1.57	-1.57	-1.56	-1.55	-1.53	-1.53	Switzerland .....
-1.63	-1.70	-1.70	-1.56	-1.48	-1.43	-1.40	-1.43	<b>LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN</b>
-1.42	-1.42	-1.02	-0.85	-0.95	-1.07	-1.21	-1.35	<b>CARIBBEAN</b>
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-0.20	-0.39	-0.59	-0.82	-1.10	-1.27	-1.36	-1.46	Antigua and Barbuda .....
0.62	0.79	0.04	-0.10	-0.28	-0.46	-0.65	-0.86	Aruba .....
-4.09	-3.58	-2.99	-2.37	-1.75	-1.60	-1.61	-1.62	Bahamas .....
-0.91	-1.03	-1.16	-1.30	-1.45	-1.55	-1.63	-1.70	Barbados .....
-1.57	-1.49	-1.58	-1.62	-1.64	-1.64	-1.63	-1.62	British Virgin Islands .....
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-0.70	-1.06	0.08	0.56	0.12	-0.31	-0.75	-1.18	Cuba .....

Table A.10. Average annual rate of change of the percentage rural (continued)

Estimates: 1950-2005

Major area, region and country	Average annual rate of change (per cent)							
	1950-1955	1955-1960	1960-1965	1965-1970	1970-1975	1975-1980	1980-1985	1985-1990
Dominica .....	-0.27	-0.37	-2.73	-3.55	-3.45	-4.01	-1.49	-1.01
Dominican Republic .....	-0.84	-0.94	-1.43	-1.66	-1.92	-2.17	-1.09	-0.60
Grenada .....	-0.26	-0.26	-0.27	-0.27	-0.10	-0.11	0.08	0.12
Guadeloupe .....	-3.02	-4.36	-5.13	-6.24	-7.31	-7.91	-17.53	-22.66
Haiti .....	-0.37	-0.42	-0.48	-0.54	-0.50	-0.51	-0.69	-0.88
Jamaica .....	-1.26	-1.47	-1.17	-1.28	-0.93	-0.98	-0.64	-0.40
Martinique .....	-0.22	-2.05	-3.60	-5.00	-6.05	-6.91	-18.31	-24.53
Montserrat .....	—	-0.00	0.57	0.45	-0.13	-0.13	—	—
Netherlands Antilles .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	-0.13	-0.14
Puerto Rico .....	-0.63	-0.75	-2.69	-3.03	-2.25	-2.36	-1.40	-2.06
Saint Kitts and Nevis .....	-0.14	-0.17	-0.91	-0.97	-0.27	-0.26	0.20	0.19
Saint Lucia .....	-0.28	-0.29	-0.31	-0.33	-0.34	-0.36	-0.38	-0.40
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines .....	—	-0.05	-1.41	-1.86	-0.01	-0.06	-1.84	-2.25
Trinidad and Tobago .....	0.52	0.49	0.71	0.57	0.11	0.11	0.28	0.23
Turks and Caicos Islands .....	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.69	0.38	-0.15	-0.16
United States Virgin Islands .....	0.54	0.34	-3.40	-3.77	-4.11	-4.41	-4.67	-4.88
<b>CENTRAL AMERICA</b>	-1.19	-1.30	-1.43	-1.52	-1.51	-1.51	-1.51	-1.53
Belize .....	0.27	0.29	0.66	0.63	0.32	0.32	0.37	0.37
Costa Rica .....	-0.12	-0.12	-0.47	-0.96	-0.84	-0.61	-0.89	-1.97
El Salvador .....	-0.29	-0.30	-0.18	-0.16	-0.71	-0.89	-0.94	-1.00
Guatemala .....	-0.80	-0.89	-0.85	-0.48	-0.37	-0.22	-0.57	-0.66
Honduras .....	-0.61	-0.69	-0.78	-0.88	-0.92	-0.83	-0.90	-0.83
Mexico .....	-1.46	-1.59	-1.77	-1.90	-1.91	-2.03	-2.00	-2.01
Nicaragua .....	-0.71	-0.76	-1.08	-1.55	-0.72	-0.55	-0.57	-0.59
Panama .....	-0.86	-0.92	-1.11	-1.19	-0.54	-0.56	-0.68	-0.75
<b>SOUTH AMERICA</b>	-1.40	-1.53	-1.81	-2.01	-2.31	-2.47	-2.08	-2.21
Argentina .....	-2.65	-2.81	-2.21	-2.25	-2.08	-2.12	-2.69	-2.79
Bolivia .....	-0.44	-0.46	-0.48	-0.50	-0.52	-1.46	-1.95	-2.16
Brazil .....	-1.40	-1.56	-2.07	-2.31	-2.90	-3.21	-2.52	-2.63
Chile .....	-2.47	-2.66	-2.56	-2.66	-2.73	-2.84	-1.53	-0.76
Colombia .....	-1.25	-1.35	-1.47	-1.70	-1.63	-1.35	-1.41	-2.15
Ecuador .....	-0.78	-0.85	-0.85	-0.85	-1.04	-1.66	-1.67	-1.66
Falkland Islands (Malvinas) .....	0.11	0.11	-0.55	-0.93	-1.02	-1.11	-2.76	-6.89
French Guiana .....	-2.24	-2.44	-1.36	-1.01	-1.06	-1.09	-1.34	-1.41
Guyana .....	-0.14	-0.14	-0.06	-0.06	-0.15	-0.15	0.14	0.13
Paraguay .....	-0.15	-0.16	-0.21	-0.26	-0.62	-0.91	-1.16	-1.40
Peru .....	-1.00	-1.07	-2.00	-2.44	-2.00	-1.68	-1.34	-1.27
Suriname .....	-0.07	-0.07	0.06	0.43	-1.35	-2.32	-4.35	-2.65
Uruguay .....	-1.10	-1.12	-1.13	-1.15	-1.19	-2.58	-2.63	-2.99
Venezuela .....	-2.94	-3.36	-3.04	-3.18	-3.18	-3.28	-2.61	-2.40
<b>NORTHERN AMERICA</b>	-1.82	-1.82	-1.42	-1.35	-0.03	-0.06	-0.58	-0.60
Bermuda .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Canada .....	-2.60	-2.06	-2.64	-2.15	0.04	-0.04	-0.58	-0.19
Greenland .....	-1.98	-2.16	-4.00	-4.39	-1.25	-1.40	-1.60	-1.64
Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon .....	-3.81	-3.96	-2.13	-1.06	-1.06	-1.07	0.34	0.99
United States of America .....	-1.75	-1.80	-1.30	-1.26	-0.04	-0.06	-0.58	-0.64
<b>OCEANIA</b>	-1.27	-1.31	-1.34	-1.35	-0.51	0.24	0.45	0.13
<b>AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND</b>	-1.86	-2.15	-2.32	-2.29	-1.10	-0.02	0.27	-0.18
Australia (12) .....	-2.16	-2.22	-2.24	-2.28	-0.91	0.23	0.42	0.08
New Zealand .....	-0.82	-1.88	-2.57	-2.22	-1.85	-0.77	-0.30	-1.35
<b>MELANESIA</b>	-0.30	-0.40	-0.51	-0.90	-0.50	-0.25	-0.07	-0.06
Fiji .....	-0.69	-0.77	-0.84	-0.66	-0.61	-0.33	-0.24	-1.03
New Caledonia .....	-1.66	-2.05	-2.47	-2.53	-1.68	-1.03	-0.67	-0.36
Papua New Guinea .....	-0.17	-0.25	-0.37	-0.94	-0.48	-0.26	-0.02	-0.01
Solomon Islands .....	-0.18	-0.23	-0.32	-0.36	-0.05	-0.32	-0.42	-0.29
Vanuatu .....	-0.17	-0.19	-0.21	-0.23	-0.25	-0.31	-0.47	-0.48
<b>MICRONESIA</b>	-0.89	-1.00	-1.27	-1.67	-4.53	-1.98	-0.15	-0.61
Guam .....	-1.55	-1.72	-2.29	-3.09	-16.89	-19.26	4.08	3.67
Kiribati .....	-0.55	-0.67	-0.81	-1.14	-1.51	-0.78	-0.37	-0.44
Marshall Islands .....	-1.56	-1.92	-2.33	-4.19	-3.33	1.15	-1.83	-1.50
Micronesia (Fed. States of) .....	-0.29	-0.30	-0.32	-0.34	-0.28	-0.16	0.08	0.09
Nauru .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Table A.10. Average annual rate of change of the percentage rural (continued)

2005-2030: Projections

Average annual rate of change (per cent)								Major area, region and country
1990-1995	1995-2000	2000-2005	2005-2010	2010-2015	2015-2020	2020-2025	2025-2030	
-1.06	-1.15	-1.25	-1.35	-1.46	-1.52	-1.56	-1.59	Dominica .....
-1.17	-2.33	-2.45	-2.37	-2.23	-2.05	-1.83	-1.71	Dominican Republic .....
0.18	0.19	0.10	-0.12	-0.35	-0.60	-0.90	-1.09	Grenada .....
-12.92	-12.92	-11.09	-8.86	-6.27	-4.07	-2.04	-1.48	Guadeloupe .....
-0.90	-0.92	-1.00	-1.11	-1.21	-1.33	-1.44	-1.54	Haiti .....
-0.47	-0.49	-0.54	-0.70	-0.89	-1.09	-1.31	-1.48	Jamaica .....
-0.97	-0.97	-1.01	-1.04	-1.10	-1.14	-1.18	-1.18	Martinique .....
-0.07	0.42	-0.57	-0.17	-0.26	-0.37	-0.50	-0.66	Montserrat .....
-0.20	-0.44	-0.69	-0.95	-1.23	-1.42	-1.45	-1.49	Netherlands Antilles .....
-15.43	-17.54	-16.41	-13.24	-9.78	-6.25	-2.88	-2.00	Puerto Rico .....
0.27	0.28	0.18	-0.07	-0.32	-0.59	-0.91	-1.10	Saint Kitts and Nevis .....
-0.07	0.46	0.10	-0.10	-0.28	-0.47	-0.70	-0.96	Saint Lucia .....
-0.83	-0.50	-0.54	-0.69	-0.87	-1.06	-1.27	-1.44	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines .....
-0.24	-0.27	-0.32	-0.38	-0.46	-0.55	-0.66	-0.77	Trinidad and Tobago .....
-0.16	-0.16	-0.21	-0.40	-0.63	-0.87	-1.14	-1.36	Turks and Caicos Islands .....
-5.06	-5.20	-4.82	-4.06	-3.28	-2.46	-1.67	-1.47	United States Virgin Islands .....
-0.82	-0.96	-0.88	-0.95	-1.05	-1.17	-1.28	-1.37	<b>CENTRAL AMERICA</b>
-0.01	-0.08	-0.22	-0.45	-0.70	-0.98	-1.27	-1.40	Belize .....
-2.18	-1.51	-1.36	-1.42	-1.47	-1.52	-1.57	-1.62	Costa Rica .....
-1.96	-2.03	-0.67	-0.80	-0.96	-1.14	-1.32	-1.49	El Salvador .....
-0.69	-0.72	-0.76	-0.88	-1.02	-1.17	-1.33	-1.48	Guatemala .....
-0.69	-0.73	-0.78	-0.90	-1.04	-1.19	-1.36	-1.50	Honduras .....
-0.72	-0.97	-1.05	-1.14	-1.24	-1.34	-1.43	-1.48	Mexico .....
-0.62	-1.22	-0.87	-0.95	-1.07	-1.20	-1.34	-1.48	Nicaragua .....
-2.84	-3.14	-3.17	-2.95	-2.64	-2.27	-1.87	-1.80	Panama .....
-2.08	-2.16	-2.32	-2.08	-1.87	-1.68	-1.51	-1.47	<b>SOUTH AMERICA</b>
-1.93	-1.76	-1.76	-1.68	-1.59	-1.50	-1.41	-1.35	Argentina .....
-1.80	-1.24	-1.29	-1.35	-1.41	-1.47	-1.52	-1.58	Bolivia .....
-2.50	-3.35	-3.52	-3.15	-2.72	-2.26	-1.77	-1.59	Brazil .....
-1.36	-2.12	-2.56	-2.35	-2.11	-1.86	-1.60	-1.44	Chile .....
-1.55	-0.10	-1.07	-1.13	-1.22	-1.30	-1.39	-1.47	Colombia .....
-1.23	-1.24	-1.29	-1.35	-1.41	-1.47	-1.53	-1.58	Ecuador .....
-4.65	-7.02	-7.49	-6.40	-5.12	-3.74	-2.31	-1.74	Falkland Islands (Malvinas) .....
-0.22	-0.23	-0.40	-0.64	-0.88	-1.13	-1.36	-1.41	French Guiana .....
0.13	0.13	0.10	-0.07	-0.27	-0.50	-0.76	-1.01	Guyana .....
-1.39	-1.38	-1.46	-1.51	-1.54	-1.57	-1.59	-1.62	Paraguay .....
-1.07	-0.73	-0.74	-0.82	-0.96	-1.11	-1.26	-1.41	Peru .....
-1.25	-1.29	-1.35	-1.40	-1.45	-1.50	-1.54	-1.57	Suriname .....
-3.07	-1.78	-1.50	-1.48	-1.43	-1.39	-1.35	-1.31	Uruguay .....
-5.66	-6.11	-6.05	-5.19	-4.22	-3.20	-2.16	-1.53	Venezuela .....
-1.58	-1.68	-1.59	-1.54	-1.51	-1.48	-1.45	-1.47	<b>NORTHERN AMERICA</b>
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-0.96	-1.60	-0.71	-0.60	-0.78	-0.96	-1.14	-1.33	Canada .....
-1.18	-0.79	-1.49	-1.63	-1.59	-1.54	-1.48	-1.44	Greenland .....
—	-0.01	-0.20	-0.46	-0.73	-0.99	-1.22	-1.26	Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon .....
-1.65	-1.69	-1.68	-1.64	-1.60	-1.54	-1.49	-1.49	United States of America .....
0.01	-0.11	-0.21	-0.27	-0.35	-0.42	-0.52	-0.62	<b>OCEANIA</b>
-0.95	-1.39	-1.50	-1.47	-1.45	-1.42	-1.39	-1.38	<b>AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND</b>
-0.99	-1.59	-1.67	-1.61	-1.55	-1.48	-1.41	-1.37	Australia (12) .....
-0.79	-0.47	-0.76	-0.84	-0.96	-1.09	-1.22	-1.33	New Zealand .....
-0.10	-0.07	-0.09	-0.18	-0.28	-0.40	-0.56	-0.68	<b>MELANESIA</b>
-1.38	-1.07	-0.99	-1.07	-1.17	-1.28	-1.39	-1.51	Fiji .....
-0.35	-0.84	-0.95	-1.03	-1.13	-1.25	-1.37	-1.49	New Caledonia .....
-0.01	-0.01	-0.04	-0.14	-0.24	-0.37	-0.53	-0.66	Papua New Guinea .....
-0.23	-0.25	-0.30	-0.39	-0.49	-0.62	-0.78	-0.90	Solomon Islands .....
-0.36	-0.39	-0.45	-0.56	-0.68	-0.83	-1.01	-1.14	Vanuatu .....
-0.57	-1.15	-1.21	-1.11	-1.11	-1.25	-1.41	-1.55	<b>MICRONESIA</b>
-2.94	-2.98	-2.80	-2.47	-2.13	-1.78	-1.44	-1.36	Guam .....
-0.44	-2.19	-1.61	-1.62	-1.66	-1.68	-1.68	-1.68	Kiribati .....
-0.33	-0.34	-0.50	-0.71	-0.94	-1.18	-1.41	-1.47	Marshall Islands .....
0.20	0.72	—	-0.09	-0.24	-0.40	-0.60	-0.83	Micronesia (Fed. States of) .....
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**Table A.10. Average annual rate of change of the percentage rural (continued)**

**Estimates: 1950-2005**

Major area, region and country	Average annual rate of change (per cent)							
	1950-1955	1955-1960	1960-1965	1965-1970	1970-1975	1975-1980	1980-1985	1985-1990
Northern Mariana Islands .....	-1.38	-2.10	-3.36	-6.38	-8.61	-7.76	-2.54	-2.65
Palau .....	-0.65	-0.67	-0.68	-0.70	-0.72	-0.74	-2.77	-1.41
<b>POLYNESIA</b>	-0.81	-0.52	-0.64	-0.89	-0.62	-0.37	-0.60	-0.38
American Samoa .....	-1.21	-1.26	-1.30	-1.34	-1.38	-1.48	-2.87	-3.09
Cook Islands .....	-0.71	-0.74	-0.77	-0.80	-0.33	0.09	0.36	-1.73
French Polynesia .....	-1.28	-1.43	-2.11	-2.92	-0.74	-0.24	0.05	0.65
Niue .....	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.11	-0.58	-0.98	-1.13	0.04
Pitcairn .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Samoa .....	-1.07	-0.37	-0.09	-0.26	-0.16	-0.05	-0.01	—
Tokelau .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tonga .....	-0.61	-0.50	-0.48	-0.17	-0.04	-0.21	-0.28	-0.11
Tuvalu .....	-0.50	-0.59	-0.70	-0.83	-0.97	-1.13	-1.30	-2.05
Wallis and Futuna Islands .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

\* More developed regions comprise Europe, Northern America, Australia/New Zealand and Japan.

+ Less developed regions comprise all regions of Africa, Asia (except Japan), Latin America and the Caribbean plus Melanesia, Micronesia and Polynesia.

# The least developed countries, as defined by the United Nations General Assembly in 2003, included 50 countries, of which 34 are in Africa, 10 in Asia, 1 in Latin America and the Caribbean and 5 in Oceania.

1 Including the island of Mayotte.

2 Including Agalega, Rodrigues and Saint Brandon.

3 Including Ascension and Tristan da Cunha.

4 For statistical purposes, the data for China do not include Hong Kong and Macao, Special Administrative Regions (SAR) of China.

5 As of 1 July 1997, Hong Kong became a Special Administrative Region (SAR) of China.

6 As of 20 December 1999, Macao became a Special Administrative Region (SAR) of China.

7 Including the islands of Guernsey and Jersey.

8 Including Åland Islands.

9 Including Svalbard and Jan Mayen Islands.

10 Refers to the Vatican City State.

11 The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

12 Including Christmas Island, Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Norfolk Island.

**Table A.10. Average annual rate of change of the percentage rural (continued)**

**2005-2030: Projections**

Average annual rate of change (per cent)								Major area, region and country
1990-1995	1995-2000	2000-2005	2005-2010	2010-2015	2015-2020	2020-2025	2025-2030	
-4.13	-4.21	-3.91	-3.34	-2.75	-2.14	-1.56	-1.41	Northern Mariana Islands .....
-1.25	1.24	-0.03	-0.27	-0.55	-0.84	-1.14	-1.38	Palau .....
-0.15	-0.20	-0.33	-0.44	-0.63	-0.84	-1.07	-1.26	<b>POLYNESIA</b>
-5.16	-5.41	-5.07	-4.32	-3.49	-2.63	-1.78	-1.56	American Samoa .....
-0.87	-3.42	-3.22	-2.46	-2.32	-2.13	-1.92	-1.70	Cook Islands .....
1.02	0.50	0.30	0.02	-0.30	-0.63	-0.99	-1.30	French Polynesia .....
-0.16	-0.66	-0.94	-1.03	-1.14	-1.25	-1.37	-1.48	Niue .....
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-0.07	-0.10	-0.13	-0.26	-0.40	-0.57	-0.78	-0.97	Samoa .....
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-0.04	-0.08	-0.21	-0.37	-0.55	-0.77	-0.97	-1.07	Tonga .....
-1.15	-0.75	-0.79	-0.90	-1.04	-1.19	-1.35	-1.49	Tuvalu .....
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