

INCIDENCE OF POVERTY AND NUMBER OF POOR HOUSEHOLDS, 1995, 1997 AND 1999

	1995 ¹			1997 ¹			1999		
	Total	Urban	Rural	Total	Urban	Rural	Total	Urban	Rural
Malaysian Citizens									
Incidence of Poverty	(%)	8.7	14.9	6.1	2.1	10.9	7.5	3.4	12.4
Number of Poor Households	('000)	365.6	281.8	274.2	52.4	221.8	351.1	86.8	264.3
Incidence of Hardcore Poverty ²	(%)	2.1	3.6	1.4	0.4	2.5	1.4	0.5	2.4
Number of Hardcore-Poor Households	('000)	88.4	20.1	62.4	10.6	51.8	64.1	13.5	50.6
Total Households	('000)	4,212.3	2,315.8	4,488.1	2,449.8	2,038.3	4,681.5	2,548.0	2,133.5
Overall									
Incidence of Poverty	(%)	9.3	15.6	6.8	2.4	11.8	8.1	3.8	13.2
Number of Poor Households	('000)	418.3	319.0	332.4	64.9	267.5	409.3	102.7	306.6
Incidence of Hardcore Poverty ²	(%)	2.1	3.5	1.4	0.5	2.4	1.4	0.6	2.4
Number of Hardcore-Poor Households	('000)	94.0	21.8	67.5	12.2	55.3	71.1	15.6	55.5
Total Households	('000)	4,497.7	2,449.7	4,924.0	2,660.1	2,263.9	5,047.0	2,725.9	2,321.1

Notes:

¹ Revised based on the latest household population data.

² Estimated using half the poverty line income.