Reader's guide

This report uses two classifications of countries around the world. It makes use of the World Bank income classes that categorise economies into high-income, upper middle-income, lower middle-income, and low-income countries. Countries with a gross national income (GNI) per capita of \$1,025 or less in 2018 are considered as low-income. Lower middle-income countries have a GNI per capita between \$1,026 and \$3,995. Upper middle-income countries have GNI per capita between \$3,996 and \$12,375. Finally, high-income countries have a GNI per capita of \$12,376 or more. Figure 1 illustrates how countries are categorised according to this classification.

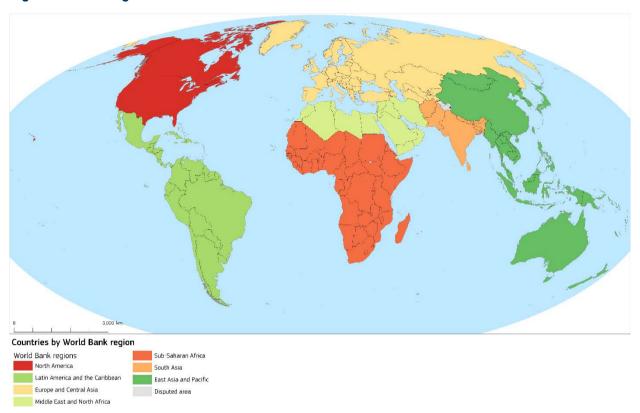
Countries by level of income

Figure 1. Classification of countries in income classes

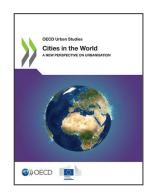
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Additionally, the report presents evidence for world regions. It uses the World Bank regions, which consists of seven world regions: East Asia and the Pacific, Europe and Central Asia, Latin America and the Carribean, Middle East and North Africa, North America, South Asia, and Sub-Saharan Africa. Figure 2 presents those seven world regions.

Figure 2. World regions



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