Rajasthan is the 7th most populous state in India, home to 69 million people of whom 10 million are poor. Since 2005, the state has made tremendous progress in poverty reduction supported by faster growth that had a stronger than usual impact on poverty reduction. In addition, consumption inequality increased only marginally in this period. As a result, Rajasthan stands out among India’s low-income states. However, some areas within the state have yet to benefit from progress and growth tends to be volatile.

Poverty in Rajasthan is lower than in India’s other Low Income States.

![Bar chart showing population below poverty line, 2012 (%)](image)

Low Income States are highlighted in orange, AI is All India.

Poverty is higher in Rajasthan's western and southern districts

![Map showing district level poverty, 2012](image)

- Jaipur

Population below the poverty line, 2012 (%)
- 0.6-5.2
- 5.3-13.2
- 13.3-17.2
- 17.3-22.6
- 22.7-62.8
The pace of poverty reduction in Rajasthan was among the fastest in India after 2005

Population below poverty line, (%)

Poverty declined sharply in both rural and urban areas of Rajasthan after 2005

Population below poverty line, (%)

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Rajasthan
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Growth in Rajasthan was faster than most of India's Low Income States

Data for 19 large states and All India. Low Income States are highlighted in orange.

Interpreting the graph

Rajasthan's growth led by services, but agriculture adds to its volatility

Components of GSDP growth rate, (%)

- Services
- Industry
- Agriculture
Slower poverty reduction in Low Income States. Rajasthan, an exception

Rajasthan has separated from other Low Income States where most of India’s poor live

Interpreting the graph

Share of poor > share of population
Share of poor < share of population

Data for 19 large states and All India. Low Income States are highlighted in orange.
Consumption inequality has increased marginally in Rajasthan

Consumption inequality in Rajasthan is lower than in most states

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