Table 4 Rural Poverty Estimates

Source	Sample data	Survey	1978	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
PRC Official	National (income groups and household income)[a]	NBS	30.7	15.1	14.8	15.5	14.3	11.1	12.1	9.5	10.4	8.8	8.2	7.6	7.1	6.3	5.4	4.6	3.7	3.4	3.1	3.0
The World Bank (1992)	National (income groups)	NBS	33.0	11.0	11.9	11.9	11.1	10.4	12.3	11.5												
The World Bank (2001)	National (income groups)	NBS								29.1	28.2	27.7	27.1	24.0	20.3	14.0	12.7	10.8	10.5	12.0	10.6	9.4
The World Bank (2001)	National (expenditure groups)[b]	NBS					35.4			40.0	38.0	37.7	37.9	32.3	28.8	22.6	22.7	22.8	23.5	21.0	19.5	17.2
Khan (1996)	National (income groups)	NBS			14.0			16.1		13.9		13.6	14.1	13.6								
Khan and Riskin (2001)	19 provinces (household income)	Own survey						32.7							28.6							
Riskin and Li (2001)	19 provinces (household income)	Own survey						12.7							12.4							
Xian (2001)	National	NBS			12.6			15.3	20.5	17.7		12.1		9.1	8.0							
Jalan and Ravallion	5 provinces (household	NBS			28.4	27.5	23.0	22.8	25.3	28.3												

Ravallion (1998)	expenditures)				4	5	0	8	3	3											

[a] Income groups before 1995, household data from 1995 on wards.

[b]Expenditure groups constructed from national mean expenditure and income group distributions.

Source: Park and Wang (2001), World Bank (2003), Wang et al (2004).