Development

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Key Issues

• Why does development vary among countries?
• Why does development vary by gender?
• Why is energy important for development?
• Why do countries face obstacles to development?
Learning Outcomes

• 9.1.1: Identify the HDI standard of living factor.
• 9.1.2: Identify the HDI health factor.
• 9.1.3: Identify the HDI access to knowledge factor.
• 9.1.4. Describe variations in level of development within countries and regions.
• 9.2.1: Describe the UN’s measures of gender inequality.
• 9.2.2: Describe the changes since the 1990s in gender inequality.
Learning Outcomes

• 9.3.1: Explain the principal sources of demand for fossil fuels.
• 9.3.2: Describe the distribution of production of the three fossil fuels.
• 9.3.3: Analyze the distribution of reserves of fossil fuels and differentiate between proven and potential resources.
Learning Outcomes

• 9.3.4: Describe the role of OPEC and changes in the price and availability of petroleum.
• 9.3.5: Describe the distribution of nuclear energy and challenges in using it.
• 9.3.6: Identify challenges to increasing the use of alternate energy sources.
• 9.3.7: Compare and contrast between passive and active solar energy.
Learning Outcomes

• 9.4.1: Summarize the two paths to development.
• 9.4.2: Describe shortcomings of the two development paths and reasons international trade has triumphed.
• 9.4.3: Explain the main sources of financing development.
• 9.4.4: Explain problems with financing development in developing and developed countries.
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• 9.4.5: Explain the principles of fair trade.
• 9.4.6: Describe ways in which differences in development have narrowed or stayed wide.
Why Does Development Vary among Countries?

• United Nations (UN) developed a metric to measure the level of development of every country called the Human Development Index (HDI).
  – It is based on three factors:
    1. Decent standard of living
    2. Long and healthy life
    3. Access to knowledge
  – Countries group into 4 classes
    • Level of development ranging from developed (Very High) to developing (Low).
Why Does Development Vary among Countries?

A Decent Standard of Living
- UN measures standard of living based on two functions:
  1. Gross national income (GNI)
     - Value of the output of goods and services produced in a country annually, including money that leaves and enters the country.
     - *Gross domestic product (GDP)* is similar except it doesn’t account for money entering and leaving the country.
     - Per capita GNI measures average (mean) wealth, not its distribution among citizens.
  2. Purchasing power parity (PPP)
     - Cost of living adjustment made to the GNI.
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• A Long and Healthy Life
  – UN considers good health to be an important measure of development:
    • Main health indicator contribution to the HDI is life expectancy at birth.
      – Average life expectancies of a baby
        » Global average: 70 years
        » Developed country: 80 years
        » Developing country: 68 years
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• Access to Knowledge
  – UN considers years of schooling to be the most critical measure of the ability of an individual to gain access to knowledge needed for development.

• Quantity of Schooling
  – Average Years of schooling
    » Global: 7 years
    » Developing: 6 years
    » Developed: 11 years
  – Expected years of schooling
    » Developed: 16 years
    » Developing: 11 years
Mean years of schooling
- 10.0 and above
- 7.0–9.9
- Below 7.0
- no data
Expected years of schooling

- 14.0 and above
- 12.0–13.9
- Below 12.0
- No data
Why Does Development Vary among Countries?

• Access to Knowledge cont’d:
  • Quality of Schooling
    – Pupil/teacher ratio
      » Global: 24 (primary school)
      » Developing: 26 (primary school)
      » Developed: 14 (primary school)
    – Literacy rate
      » Developed: >99%
      » Developing: 70-90%
Why Does Development Vary by Gender?

• Gender Inequality Measures
  – UN created the Gender Inequality Index (GII) that is based on multiple metrics.
    • Empowerment
      – Defined: Ability of women to achieve improvements in status.
        » Percentage of seats held by women in the national legislature.
        » Percentage of women who have completed high school.
    • Labor Force
      – Female labor force participation rate defined as percentage of women holding full-time jobs outside the home.
        » Highest in developed countries.
    • Reproductive Health
      – Maternal mortality ratio
      – Adolescent fertility rate
• Gender Inequality Trends
  – UN asserts gender inequality has declined in nearly every country since the 1990s.
    • Greatest improvements in Southwest Asia and North Africa.
  – U.S. is one of few developed countries where the GII has increased.
    • Reproductive rights much lower in U.S. compared to other very high HDI countries.
    • Percentage of women in the national legislature is relatively lower than other high HDI countries.
Why is Energy Important for Development?

• Energy Demand and Supply
  – Supply is the quantity of something that producers have available for sale.
  – Demand is the quantity that consumers are willing and able to buy.
  – 5/6 of the world’s energy needs are supplied by fossil fuels, which is an energy source formed from the residue of plants and animals buried millions of years ago.
    • Coal (27.9%)
    • Petroleum (33.2%)
    • Natural Gas (22.1%)
Why is Energy Important for Development?

- **Energy Demand and Supply**
  - **Demand For Energy**
    - Although fewer in number, developed countries consume about ½ of the world’s energy.
      - Percent of World Energy Consumed
        » China: 20.4%
        » U.S.: 18.3%
        » Europe: 15.1%
    - Per capita consumption of energy is greatest in North America.
      - Contains 1/20 of world’s population and consumes ¼ of the world’s energy.
    - Per capita consumption of energy is nearly three times greater in developed countries than in developing countries.
Million BTUs energy consumption per capita
- 100 and above
- 10–99
- Below 10
- no data
Why is Energy Important for Development?

• Energy Demand and Supply
  – Energy Supply
    • Earth’s energy resources are not distributed evenly.
      – Global Coal Distribution
        » Today’s main reserves of coal are located in the mid-latitude countries.
        » China and the U.S. supply nearly 1/2 and ¼, respectively, of the world’s coal.
      – Global Petroleum Distribution
        » Today’s main reserves are located on the seafloor and in areas once under water millions of years ago.
        » Russia and Saudi Arabia together supply ¼ of the world’s petroleum supply.
        » U.S. supplies ¼ of the global supply
        » Remaining ½ of world supply of petroleum is supplied by developing countries (primarily in S.W. and Central Asia)
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• Energy Demand and Supply
  – Energy Supply
    – Global Natural Gas Distribution
      » 1/3 of natural gas production is supplied by Russia and S.W. Asia
      » 1/3 by developing regions
      » 1/3 by developed countries (primarily the U.S.)
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- **Energy Demand and Supply**
  - **Energy Reserves**
    - Two types of energy reserves exist.
      1. Proven Reserves
         - Defined: A supply of energy remaining in deposits that have been discovered.
      2. Potential Reserves
         - Defined: A supply of energy that is undiscovered but thought to exist.
    - **Proven Reserves**
      - Remaining supply of fossil fuels at current demand
        - Coal: 131 years
        - Natural Gas: 49 years
        - Petroleum: 43 years
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• Energy Demand and Supply
  – Energy Reserves
    • Potential Reserves
      – Potential reserves can be reclassified as a proven reserve.
        » Undiscovered Fields: Newly discovered reserves are generally smaller and more remote, because the largest, most accessible fossil fuels deposits have already been exploited.
        » Enhanced Recovery From Already Discovered Fields: Techniques used to remove the last supplies from a proven field.
        » Unconventional Sources: Methods currently used to extract resources won’t work because of insufficient technology, environmentally unsound, or not economically feasible.
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• Energy Demand and Supply
  – Controlling Petroleum Reserves
  • Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) formed in 1960 to gain more control over their resource, as a result of U.S. and European transnational companies exploring and exploiting the oil fields of developing countries.
  • Members
    – Southwest Asia and North Africa
      » Algeria, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and United Arab Emirates
    – Other Regions
      » Angola, Ecuador, Iran, Nigeria, and Venezuela
  • Under OPEC, prices set by governments possessing the oil reserves rather than by petroleum companies.
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• Energy Demand and Supply
  – Changing U.S. Petroleum Sources
    • Beginning in 1950s, extracting domestic petroleum became more expensive than importing it from S.W. and Central Asia.
      – U.S. imports increased from 14% (1954) to 58% (2009) of total consumption
    • Sharp price increases of oil set by OPEC countries during 1970s and 1980s contributed to U.S. decreasing its reliance on OPEC oil by ½.
      – Share of imports from OPEC countries declined from 2/3 in 1970s to 1/3 in 1980s.
    • Price (adjusted for inflation) of petroleum plummeted to lowest level, during the 1990s.
      – Petroleum consumption significantly increased
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• Alternative Energy Sources
  – Nuclear Energy
    • Electricity produced by splitting uranium atoms in a controlled environment via a process called fission.
    • One product of nuclear reactions is radioactive waste.
  – Nuclear Energy Distribution
    • Supplies 14% of world’s electricity
    • Used by only 30 of world’s nearly 200 countries
      – 19 developed countries; 11 developing countries
    • 2/3 of world’s nuclear power generated in North America and Europe
    • Most highly dependent countries clustered in Europe
    • Relatively higher concentration of nuclear power plants in the Eastern half of the U.S.
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• Alternative Energy Sources
  – Nuclear Energy Challenges
    • Radioactive waste is highly lethal to humans.
      – Not possible to burn or chemically treat such waste to make it safe for human exposure.
        » Waste must remain isolated from human contact for thousands of years, until it loses radioactivity.
    • Uranium is a nonrenewable resource
      – Proven reserves projected to last 124 years at current consumption rate.
    • High Cost
      – Nuclear power plants cost several billion dollars to build.
      – Complexities of safe transportation and storage of radioactive waste are costly.
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- Alternative Energy Sources
  - Renewable Energy
    - Hydroelectric Power
      - Harnesses the power of moving water to convert it to electricity.
      - Leading source of renewable energy in both developed and developing regions.
      - 2nd most popular source of electricity after coal
      - Lack of remaining acceptable sites to construct a hydroelectric dam poses a challenge to increasing reliance in U.S.
    - Biomass
      - Biomass energy sources include wood and crops that can be burned as fuel to generate electricity and heat.
      - Ex.: Sugarcane, corn, and soybeans can be processed into motor-vehicle fuels.
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• Alternative Energy Sources
  – Renewable Energy
    • Limiting Factors for Increasing Reliance on Biomass
      – Inefficiency
        » Burning biomass may require as much energy to produce the crops as they supply.
      – “Putting Food” in the Gas Tank
        » Biomass already serves essential purposes, such as providing much of Earth’s food, clothing, and shelter.
    – Environmental Concerns
      » Logging trees for wood to be burned may reduce the fertility of the forest.
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• Alternative Energy Sources
  – Renewable Energy
    • Wind Energy
      – Relatively minimal impact on the environment
      – Greater potential for increased use, because only a small portion of the potential resource has been harnessed.
      – Greatest challenge for expanding reliance is opposition by environmentalists who voice their concerns about windmills being noisy, lethal for birds and bats, and a visual blight on the landscape.
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• Alternative Energy Sources
  – Renewable Energy
    • Solar Energy
      – Ultimate renewable resource supplied by the Sun.
      – U.S. receives 1% of its electricity from solar, but potential growth is limitless.
      – Solar energy is harness through one of two means.
        1. *Passive solar energy systems* capture energy without using special devices.
        2. *Active solar energy systems* collect solar energy and convert it either to heat energy or to electricity either directly or indirectly.
Why Do Countries Face Obstacles to Development?

• Two Paths to Development
  – Developing countries chose of of two models to promote development:
    1. *Self-sufficiency*
       – Countries encourage domestic production of goods, discourage foreign ownership of businesses and resources, and protect their businesses form international competition.
       – Most popular for most of 20th century
    2. International trade
       – Countries open themselves to foreign investment and international markets.
       – Became more popular beginning in the late 20th century
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• Two Paths to Development
  – Self-Sufficiency Path Key Elements
    • Barriers limit the import of goods from other places.
    • Businesses are not forced to compete with international corporations.
    • Investment spread almost equally across all economic sectors and in all regions of a country.
    • Minimalized discrepancies in wages among urban and rural dwellers with the intent to reduce poverty.
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• Two Paths to Development
  – International Trade Path
    • Rostow Model
      1. Traditional Society
         » Marked by a very high percentage of people engaged in agriculture and a high percentage of national wealth allocated to “nonproductive” activities. E.g. military
      2. Preconditions for Takeoff
         » Elite group initiates innovative economic activities that ultimately stimulate an increase in productivity.
      3. Takeoff
         » Rapid growth is generated in a limited number of economic activities. E.g. textiles
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• Two Paths to Development
  – International Trade Path
    • Rostow Model
      4. Drive to Maturity
        » Modern technology pervades from the few takeoff industries to other economic sectors, thus sparking rapid growth.
      5. Age of Mass Consumption
        » Marked by a shift from heavy industry, such as steel, to consumer goods.
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• Shortcomings of the Two Development Paths
  – Self-Sufficiency Challenges
    • Protection of inefficient businesses
      – Guaranteed high prices made possible by isolation from international competition creates little incentive for business to improve quality of product or become more efficient.
      – Companies protected from international competition aren’t compelled to keep up with rapid technological changes.
    • Need for large bureaucracy
      – A complex administrative systems needed to administer the controls encourages inefficiency, abuse, and corruption.
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• Shortcomings of the Two Development Paths
  – International Trade Challenges
    • Uneven resource distribution
      – Commodity prices are not guaranteed to rise faster than the cost of products a developing country needs to purchase.
    • Increased dependence on developed countries
      – Developing countries may allocate all resources to a few industries instead of spreading resources among the other companies that provide food, clothing, and other necessities for local residents.
    • Market decline
      – Developing countries have found increased difficulty selling their manufactured goods in a world market that has recently declined for many products.
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- International Trade Approach Triumphs
  - Most countries have embraced the international trade approach since the late 20th century.
    - Trade has increased more rapidly than wealth as measured by GDP.
  - Optimism about the benefits of this development model based on three observations:
    1. If existing developed countries used this approach, then why couldn’t others find similar success?
    2. Sales of raw materials could generate funds for developing countries that could promote development.
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• International Trade Approach Triumphs
  – Optimism about the benefits of this development model based on three observations:
    3. A country that concentrates on international trade benefits from exposure to the demands, needs, and preferences of consumers in other countries.
The graph illustrates the trade as a percentage of GDP for developed and developing countries over a 20-year period from 1980 to 2010. The data shows a steady increase in trade for both groups, with developing countries experiencing a sharper rise compared to developed countries. The graph highlights the growing importance of international trade in the global economy.
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• Financing Development
  – Finance comes from two primary sources:
    1. Direct investment by transnational corporations
    2. Loans from banks and international organizations
  – Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)
    • Defined: Investment made by a foreign company in the economy of another country.
    • FDI grew from $130 billion in 1990s to $1.5 in 2000 and 2010.
      – In 2010, only 2/5 went from developed to developing
    • Major source of FDI are transnational corporations
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• Financing Development
  – Loans
    • Two major lenders to developing countries:
      1. World Bank
         » Includes the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) and International Development Association (IDA).
         » IBRD provides loans to countries to reform public administration and legal institutions, develop and strengthen financial institutions, and implement transportation and social service projects.
         » IDA provides support to countries considered too risky to receive loans from IBRD.
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• Financing Development
  – Loans
    • Two major lenders to developing countries:
      2. International Monetary Fund (IMF)
        » IMF provides loans to countries experiencing balance-of-payments problems that threaten expansion of international trade.
        » IMF assistance designed to help a country rebuild international reserves, stabilize currency exchange rates, and pay for imports without the imposition of harsh trade restrictions or capital controls that could hamper the growth of world trade.
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• Financing Challenges in Developing and Developed Countries
  – Developing Countries
    • IMF, World Bank, and developed countries fear that granting, canceling, or refinancing debts without strings attached will perpetuate bad habits in developing countries.
      – Developing countries required to prepare a Policy Framework Paper outlining a *structural adjust program*, which includes economic goals, strategies for achieving the objectives, and external financing requirements.
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• Financing Challenges in Developing and Developed Countries
  – Developed Countries
    • Heart of the global economic crisis in developed countries was the poor condition of many banks and other financial institutions.
    • Bad loans were especially widespread in housing, which led to the housing bubble—a rapid increase in the value of houses following by a sharp decline in their value.
      – Bubble burst because of relaxation of long-standing restrictions on the ability of individuals to purchase houses and higher-income people took advantage of low-interest loans to buy additional houses.
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• Making Progress in Development
  – Immanuel Wallerstein, a U.S. social scientist, posited a world-systems analysis that unified the world economy with developed countries forming an inner core area, whereas developing countries occupy peripheral locations.
  – Developing countries in the periphery have less access to the world center of consumption, communications, wealth, and power, which are clustered in the core.
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• Making Progress in Development
  – Closing the Gap
    • Progress in reducing the gap in level of development between developed and developing countries varies depending on the variable:
      – Infant Mortality Rate
        » Gap has narrowed from 17 to 6 (per 1,000) in developed countries and from 107 to 44 developing countries.
      – Life Expectancy
        » Gap has not narrowed.
      – GNI Per Capita
        » Gap in wealth between developed and developing countries has widened.
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• Making Progress in Development
  – Fair Trade
    • Defined: Commerce in which products are made and traded according to standards that protect workers and small businesses in developing countries.
      – Ex. In North America, Ten Thousand Villages is the largest fair trade organization in North America.
    • Because fair trade organizations bypass distributors, a greater percentage of the retail price makes it way back directly to the producers.
    • Fair Trade requires employers to pay workers fair wages, permit union organizing, and comply with minimum environmental and safety standards.
Summary

• The HDI measures the level of development of each country. It is calculated by combining three measures: standard of living, a long and healthy life, and access to knowledge.
• The UN has not found a single country in the world where the women are treated as well as the men.
• Development depends on abundant low-cost energy.
Summary

• To develop more rapidly, developing countries must adopt policies that successfully promote development and find funds to pay for it.