

# **SDG TARGET #170: COUNTRY MEDIANS**

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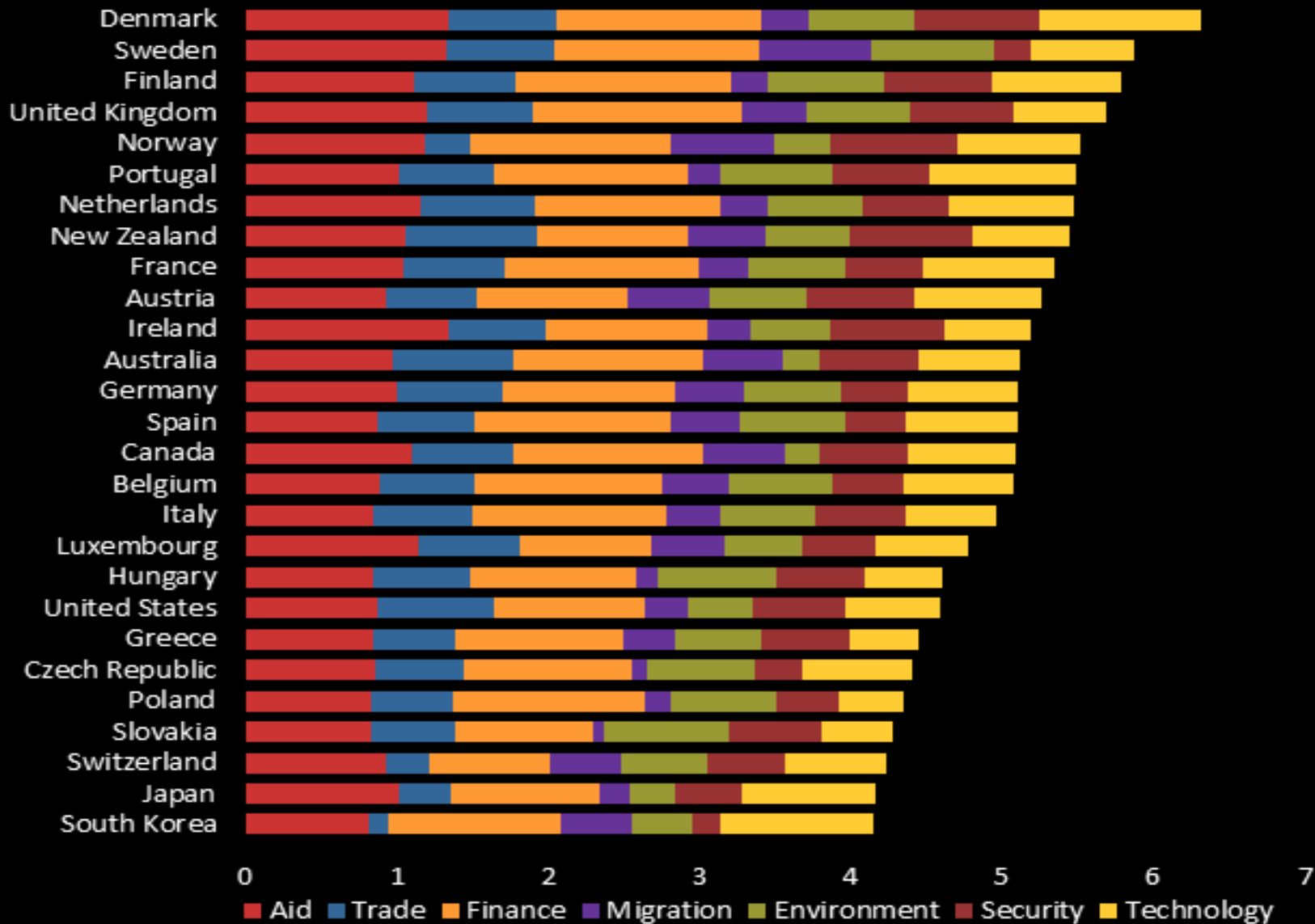
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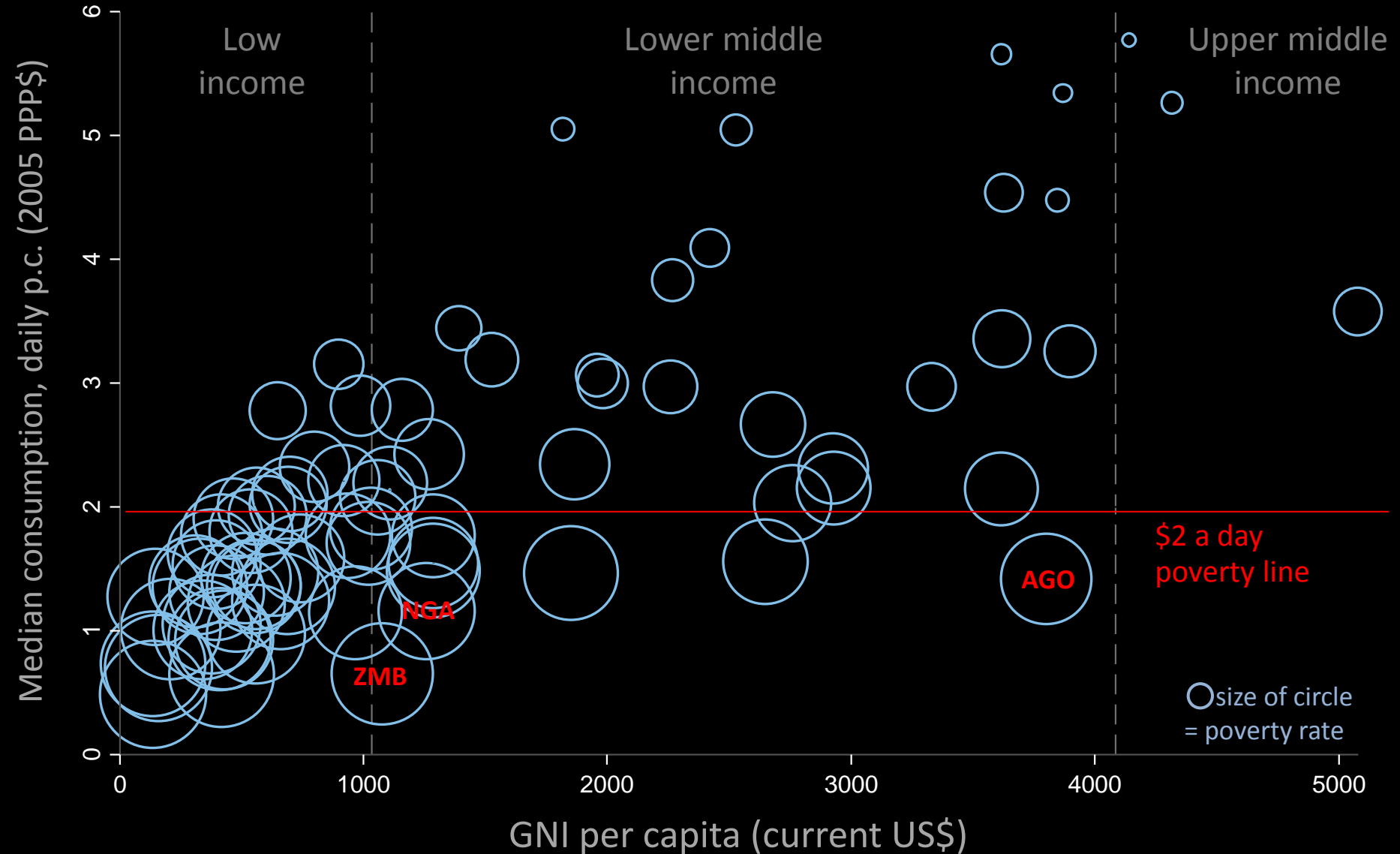
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# 2014 Commitment to Development Index

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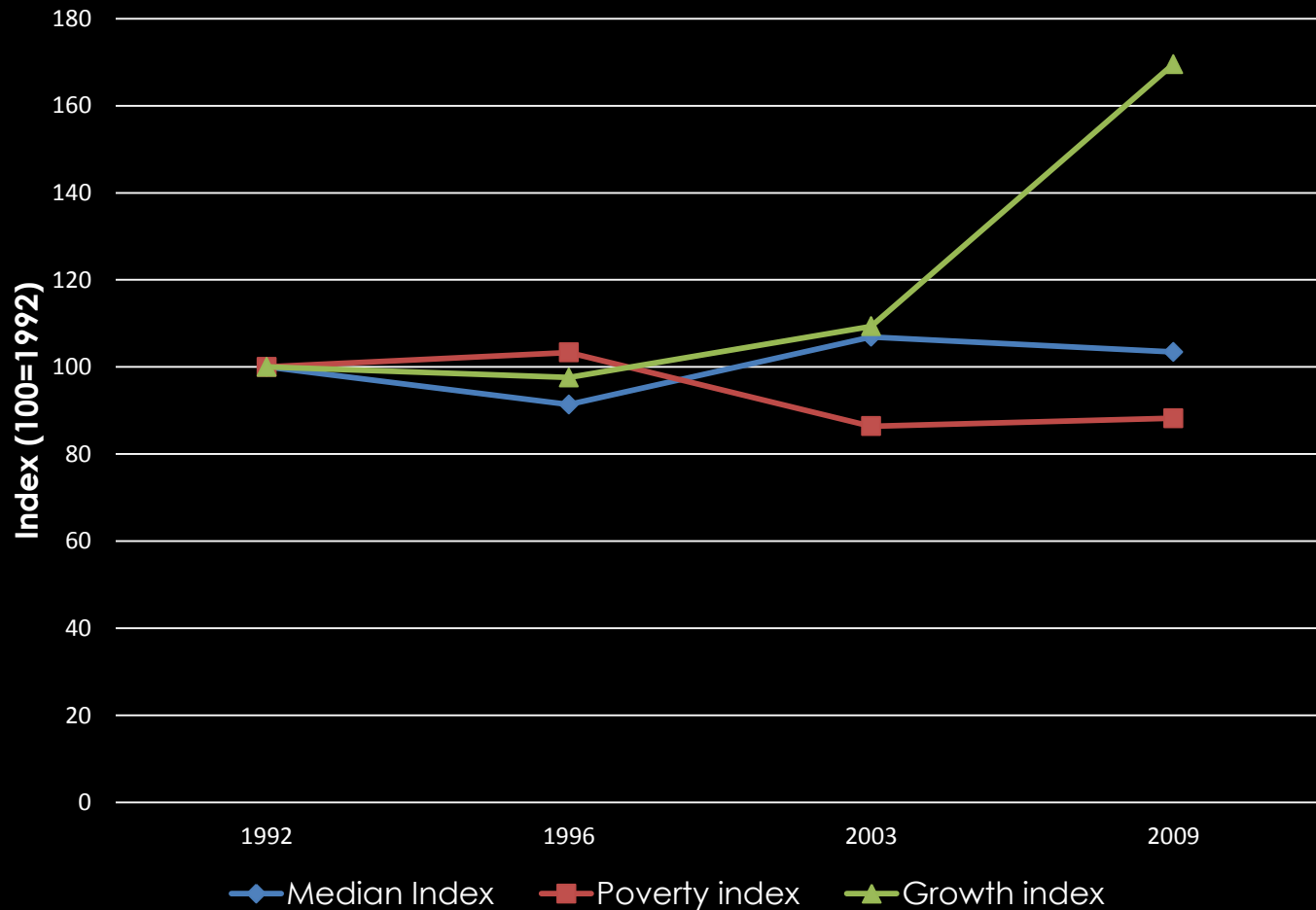


# Median in most developing countries is below \$2 a day

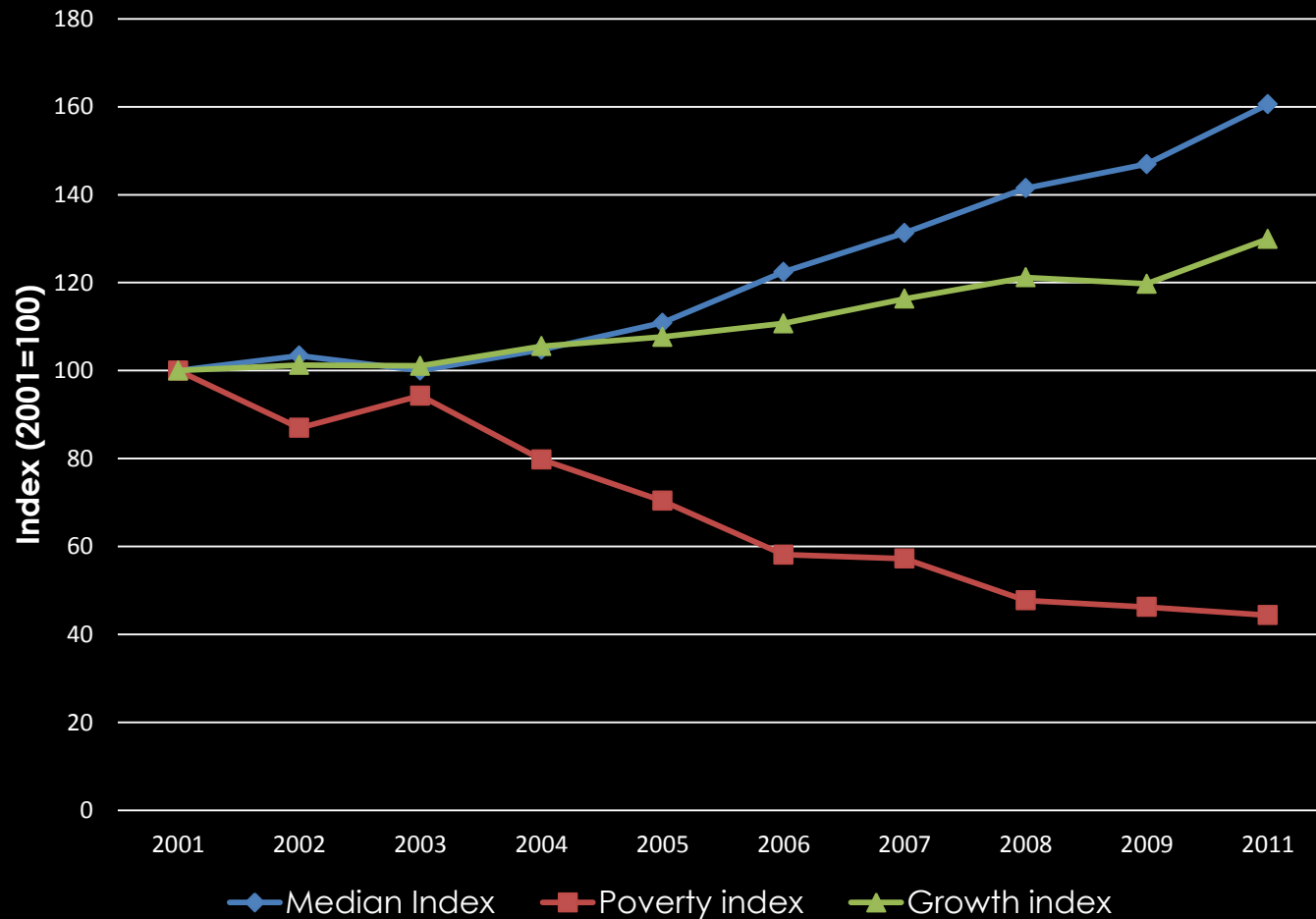


# Distribution-aware: Median falls behind growth

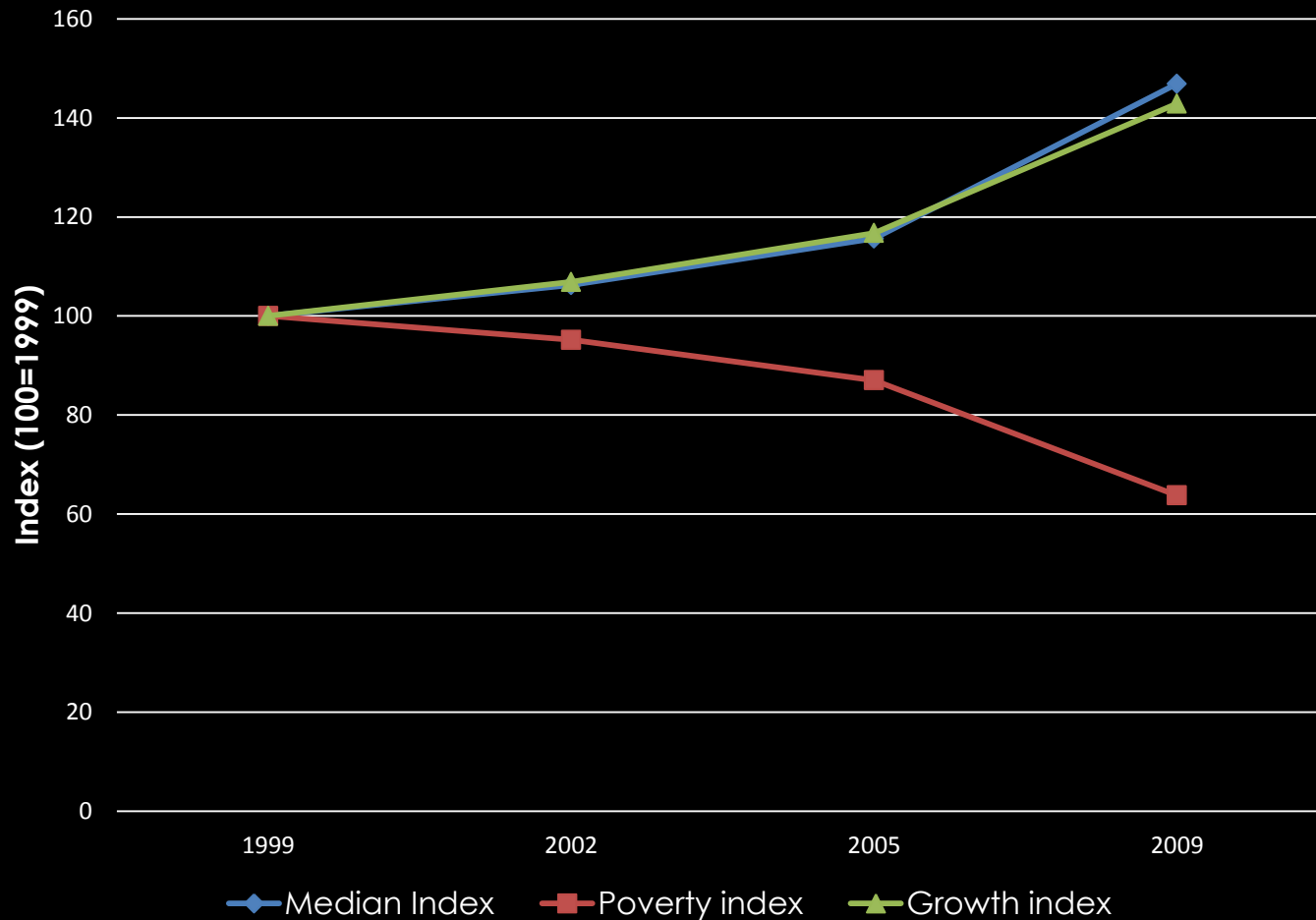
## Nigeria



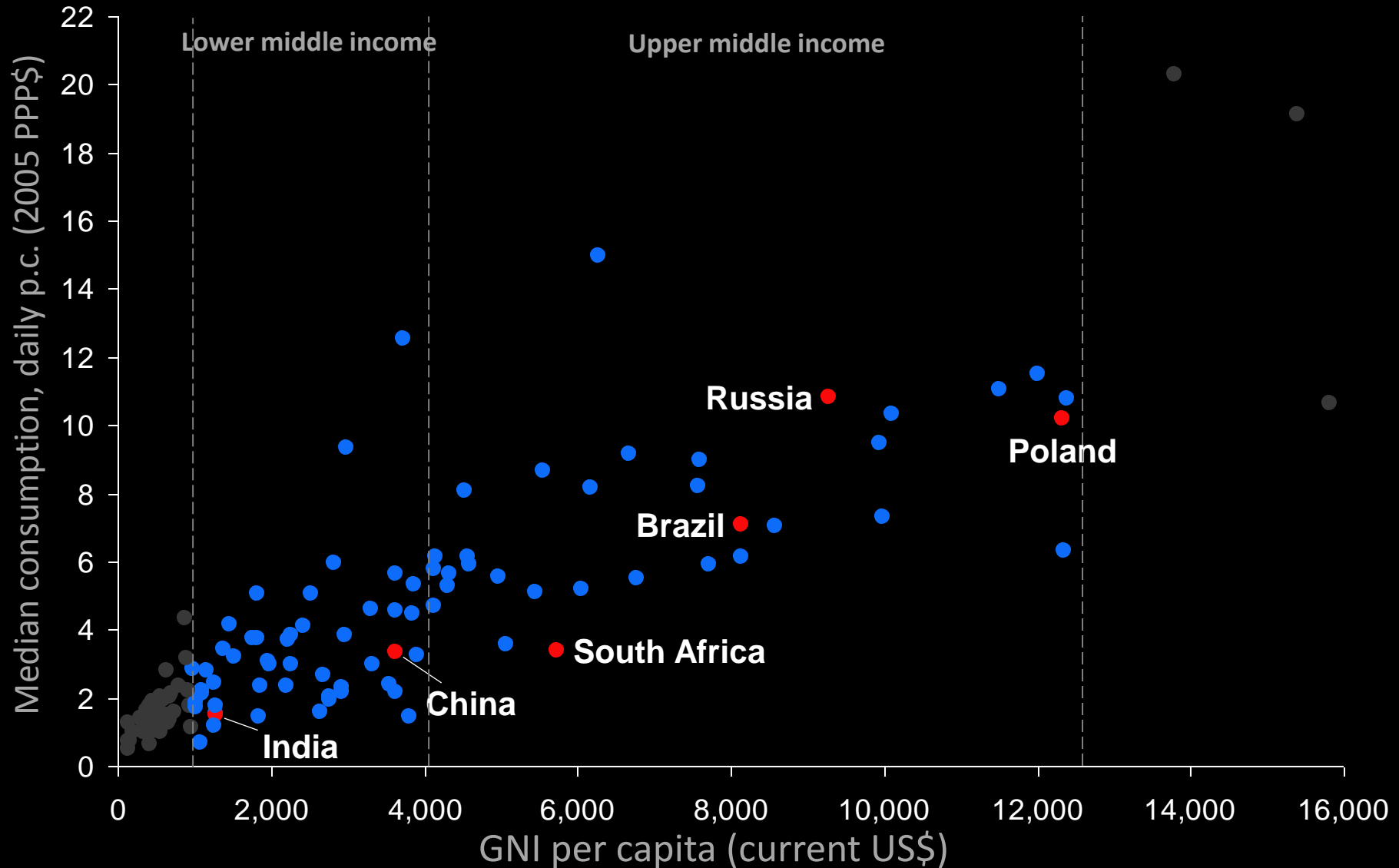
# Distribution-aware:Median exceeds growth Brazil



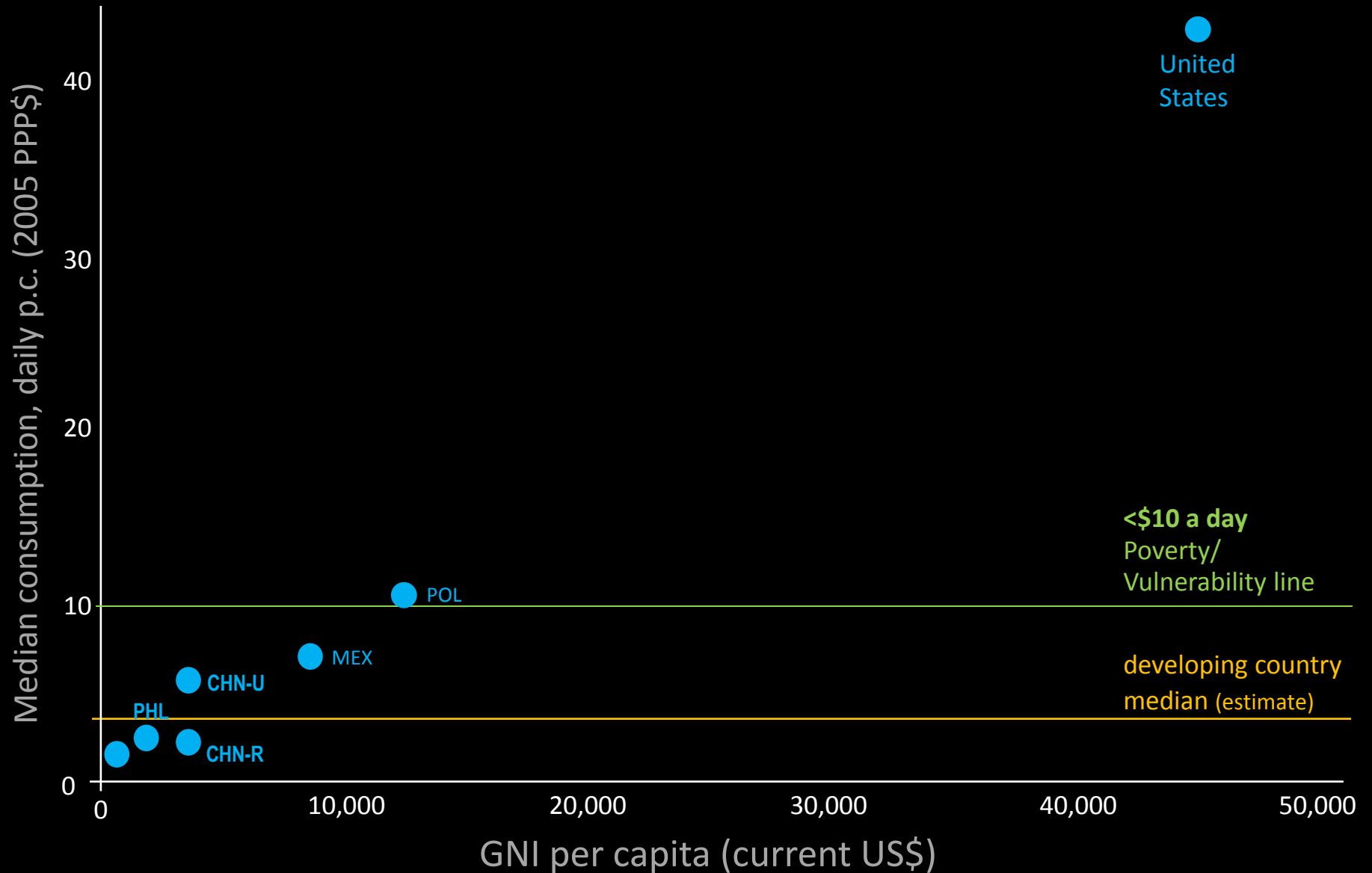
# Distribution-aware: Median grows with growth Uganda



# A durable measure (think MICs)



# A universal measure (think US)





# THE MEDIAN



Simple



Robust



Durable



Universal