

Two Thirds of the World are on America's Welfare Rolls

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The budget should be balanced, the Treasury should be refilled, public debt should be reduced, the arrogance of officialdom should be tempered and controlled, and the assistance to foreign lands should be curtailed lest Rome become bankrupt. People must again learn to work, instead of living on public assistance." –Cicero, 55 BC



It is one thing to speak in generalities, it is another to see the details. Billions of taxpayer money is sent out every year, courtesy of Democrats and Republicans alike (by the way, do these politicians have offshore accounts?). As can be seen below, we have the entire continent of South America on welfare; we have the entire

continent of Africa on welfare; we have three quarters of the countries in Asia on welfare.

Only one, randomly chosen, year was chosen (the exact figures fluctuate slightly from month to month). Incidentally, the information was obtained before USAID shut down the website which posted the amount of money per country per year.

AFRICA

In 2015, South Africa received a total of \$515,575,677

In 2015, Zambia received a total of \$672,901,484

In 2015, Kenya received a total of \$891,665,410

In 2015, Chad received a total of \$108,734,323

In 2015, Botswana received a total of \$43,859,992

In 2015, Liberia received a total of \$766,059,938

In 2015, Ghana received a total of \$297,547,338

In 2015, Egypt received a total of \$1,525,466,191

In 2015, Nigeria received a total of \$592,349,645

In 2015, Mauritania received a total of \$21,636,204

In 2015, Algeria received a total of \$15,022,085

In 2015, Angola received a total of \$58,325,755

In 2015, Botswana received a total of \$43,859,992

In 2015, Burkina Faso received a total of \$32,545,712

In 2015, Cabo Verde received a total of \$3,522,137

In 2015, Cameroon received a total of \$147,447,851

In 2015, Central African Republic received a total of \$83,580,684

In 2015, Burundi received a total of \$48,603,167

In 2015, Comoros received a total of \$1,920,044

In 2015, Congo received a total of \$2,583,485

In 2015, Congo received a total of \$467,482,859

In 2015, Ivory Coast received a total of \$111,990,418

In 2015, Djibouti received a total of \$23,679,891

In 2015, Equatorial Guinea received a total of \$4,391,506

In 2015, Eritrea received a total of \$66,453

In 2015, Ethiopia received a total of \$808,825,584

In 2015, Gabon received a total of \$10,120,922

In 2015, Gambia received a total of \$2,415,027

In 2015, Ghana received a total of \$297,547,338

In 2015, Guinea received a total of \$172,441,865

In 2015, Guinea-Bissau received a total of \$1,611,776

In 2016, Lesotho received a total of \$54,843,477

In 2016, Madagascar received a total of \$86,731,621

In 2016, Malawi received a total of \$309,263,128

In 2015, Libya received a total of \$14,997,528

In 2015, Mali received a total of \$207,014,489

In 2015, Morocco received a total of \$69,494,411

In 2015, Mozambique received a total of \$338,892,986

In 2015, Mozambique received a total of \$124,777,826

In 2015, Rwanda received a total of \$246,770,599

In 2015, Sao Tome and Principe received a total of \$199,166

In 2015, Senegal received a total of \$116,719,982

In 2015, Sierra Leone received a total of \$200,550,659

In 2015, Somalia received a total of \$255,105,905

In 2015, South Sudan received a total of \$838,589,050

In 2015, Benin received a total of \$113,195,610

In 2015, Sudan received a total of \$147,833,033

In 2015, Swaziland received a total of \$46,122,312

In 2015, Tanzania received a total of \$591,591,821

In 2015, Togo received a total of \$4,165,201

In 2015, Tunisia received a total of \$122,903,292

In 2015, Uganda received a total of \$591,480,559

In 2015, Zimbabwe received a total of \$190,121,244

ASIA

In 2015, Iraq received a total of \$410,175,253

In 2015, Cambodia received a total of \$86,006,880

In 2015, Pakistan received a total of \$980,874,076

In 2015, Israel received a total of \$3,123,404,708

In 2015, Philippines received a total of \$254,354,193

In 2015, Afghanistan received a total of \$3,072,502,383

In 2015, Indonesia received a total of \$220,766,160

In 2015, India received a total of \$104,915,071

In 2015, Jordan received a total of \$1,513,339,922

In 2015, Kazakhstan received a total of \$191,016,051

In 2015, Lebanon received a total of \$505,920,715

In 2015, Vietnam received a total of \$69,515,867

In 2015, Azerbaijan received a total of \$35,329,842

In 2015, Bahrain received a total of \$9,373,663

In 2015, Bangladesh received a total of \$227,267,000

In 2015, Bhutan received a total of \$986,307

In 2015, Brunei received a total of \$99,438

In 2015, Burma (Myanmar) received a total of \$119,205,373

In 2015, Hong Kong received a total of \$200,465

In 2015, China received a total of \$47,131,260

In 2015, Iran received a total of \$674,800

In 2016, South Korea received a total of \$379,387

In 2016, North Korea received a total of \$5,394

In 2016, Kyrgyzstan received a total of \$37,582,747

In 2016, Laos received a total of \$5,207,027

In 2016, Malaysia received a total of \$206,987

In 2015, Maldives received a total of \$2,925,298

In 2015, Mongolia received a total of \$12,485,511

In 2015, Nepal received a total of \$263,271,229

In 2015, Oman received a total of \$7,636,947

In 2015, Papua received a total of \$10,819,920

In 2015, Qatar received a total of \$35,281

In 2015, Saudi Arabia received a total of \$237,832

In 2015, Seychelles received a total of \$427,683
In 2015, Singapore received a total of \$602,061
In 2015, Sri Lanka received a total of \$32,878,916
In 2015, Syria received a total of \$913,042,148
In 2015, Tajikistan received a total of \$52,884,773
In 2015, Thailand received a total of \$66,955,890
In 2015, Timor received a total of \$26,295,712
In 2015, Turkey received a total of \$115,469,319
In 2015, Turkmenistan received a total of \$6,162,516
In 2015, UAE received a total of \$528,713
In 2015, Uzbekistan received a total of \$48,088,690
In 2015, Palestine received a total of \$556,739,707
In 2015, Yemen received a total of \$176,737,687

EUROPE

In 2015, Poland received a total of \$32,408,833
In 2015, Iceland received a total of \$3,270
In 2015, Portugal received a total of \$339,307
In 2015, Albania received a total of \$27,194,509
In 2015, Armenia received a total of \$57,069,016
In 2015, Austria received a total of \$113,118
In 2015, Belarus received a total of \$46,596,935
In 2015, Belgium received a total of \$9,714,064

In 2015, Bermuda received a total of \$11,250

In 2015, Bosnia received a total of \$45,853,080

In 2014, Georgia received a total of \$289,479,545

In 2015, Bulgaria received a total of \$16,388,186

In 2015, Croatia received a total of \$5,797,560

In 2015, Czech Republic received a total of \$5,441,728

In 2015, Estonia received a total of \$5,731,745

In 2015, Finland received a total of \$20,000

In 2015, France received a total of \$4,424,182

In 2015, Germany received a total of \$3,882,529

In 2015, Hungary received a total of \$6,893,733

In 2015, Ireland received a total of \$1,253,270

In 2016, Kosovo received a total of \$37,793,334

In 2016, Macedonia received a total of \$23,715,842

In 2015, Malta received a total of \$320,950

In 2015, Moldova received a total of \$54,667,278

In 2015, Montenegro received a total of \$3,532,552

In 2015, Holland received a total of \$5,334,425

In 2015, Norway received a total of \$6,541

In 2015, Romania received a total of \$31,709,303

In 2015, Russia received a total of \$22,839,017

In 2015, Slovakia received a total of \$1,837,003

In 2015, Slovenia received a total of \$640,693

In 2015, Spain received a total of \$2,097,877

In 2015, Greece received a total of \$1,237,902

In 2015, Sweden received a total of \$3,270

In 2015, Switzerland received a total of \$1,147,783

In 2015, Ukraine received a total of \$304,927,502

CENTRAL AMERICA

In 2015, Mexico received a total of \$332,311,612

In 2016, Jamaica received a total of \$17,498,903

In 2015, Bahamas received a total of \$2,933,496

In 2015, Barbados received a total of \$3,453,422

In 2015, Belize received a total of \$7,320,769

In 2015, Costa Rica received a total of \$14,318,038

In 2015, Cuba received a total of \$5,773,135

In 2015, Dominica received a total of \$559,497

In 2015, Dominican Republic received a total of \$110,772,135

In 2015, El Salvador received a total of \$331,663,625

In 2015, Haiti received a total of \$501,740,781

In 2015, Honduras received a total of \$133,740,542

In 2015, Nicaragua received a total of \$41,175,429

In 2015, Panamá received a total of \$20,710,464

In 2015, St. Kitts received a total of \$469,270

In 2015, Guatemala received a total of \$137,905,792

In 2015, Grenada received a total of \$400,928

In 2015, St. Lucia received a total of \$24,890

In 2015, St. Vincent received a total of \$386,414

In 2015, Trinidad received a total of \$1,440,441

SOUTH AMERICA

In 2015, Chile received a total of \$3,521,652

In 2015, Bolivia received a total of \$56,613,604

In 2015, Venezuela received a total of \$9,222,146

In 2015, Colombia received a total of \$841,125,363

In 2015, Argentina received a total of \$2,295,070

In 2015, Ecuador received a total of \$34,897,757

In 2015, Guyana received a total of \$7,120,913

In 2015, Paraguay received a total of \$17,387,383

In 2015, Brazil received a total of \$20,156,487

In 2015, Suriname received a total of \$218,246

In 2015, Uruguay received a total of \$2,359,368

OTHER

In 2015, Australia received a total of \$250,520

In 2015, Canada received a total of \$11,247,279

In 2015, Fiji received a total of \$1,965,396

In 2015, Palau received a total of \$14,236,610

In 2015, Samoa received a total of \$954,449

In 2015, Tonga received a total of \$1,587,503

In 2015, New Zealand received a total of \$10,621

In 2015, Tuvalu received a total of \$158,000

In 2015, Vanuatu received a total of \$5,066,110

Let me repeat: these colossal amounts continue year after year. Observe:

Zambia

Egypt

2011

\$237,363,215

\$1,539,308,744

2012

\$360,580,246

\$1,392,494,300

2013

\$314,591,280

\$1,570,212,963

2014

\$672,901,439

\$179,479,760

2015

\$245,813,394

\$1,525,466,191

2016

\$258,925,027

\$98,826,384

Afghanistan

Nigeria

2011

\$13,400,380,402

\$379,121,199

2012

\$13,111,490,049

\$540,393,416

2013

\$9,736,127,455

\$519,474,952

2014

\$7,259,300,766

\$595,551,195

2015

\$3,072,502,383

\$592,349,645

2016

\$1,024,314,522

\$438,551,346

Kenya

South Sudan

2011

\$899,791,412

\$144,144,175

2012

\$999,967,033

\$636,566,059

2013

\$907,868,125

\$625,412,388

2014

\$891,665,076

\$867,773,855

2015

\$941,251,462

\$838,589,050

2016

\$508,196,564

\$502,659,864

Conclusion

And they often receive the aid after they insult us. Not too long ago the erratic president of the Philippines, Duterte, quipped that Secretary Kelly gave his country \$33 million of money (that did not belong to [Kerry](#)) after Duterte told us to go to hell. He said perhaps he should insult us some more. A European leader (I forget his name) years ago stated that America was like a woman whom you slap in the face—she gives you more of her money.

The solution to this never ending obscenity is easy. Incredibly easy. Eliminate—not reduce, not downsize, but eliminate, as in eradicate, as in wipe out, as in tear down—the United States Agency for International Development, and, along with that, completely eliminate—not reduce, not downsize, but eliminate, as in eradicate, as in wipe out, as in disintegrate—all foreign aid. Without exception. One does not [reduce](#) a cancerous tumor because it will regrow. One excises it!

Attempting to do so will result in an avalanche of lachrymose appeals about how absolutely necessary this, that, or the other program is and how it should remain untouched if we are ever going to rid the world of AIDS, ebola, irritable bowel syndrome, dirty water, famine, drought, ingrown toenails, illiteracy, circumcision, lack of circumcision, defective

pencils, stale crackers, fostering homosexuality, shoelaces, etc. You will see dozens of photographs of children—always children—with suffering faces. You will hear dozens of corrupt politicians (with offshore accounts) and the army of lobbyists saying how tragic it is that “the world” (read: us American suckers) are turning our backs on this or that “humanitarian crisis” and that “*something* needs to be done.” Or that good, old standby, “racism.” In the meantime, [USAID](#) deep [state](#) workers will ignore orders to stop giving out money that does not belong to them.

African dictators will *demand* that Western countries send them money, using either slogans of “the rich must help the poor,” or, “reparations for slavery” that will elicit knee jerk reactions from liberals (whites never enslaved black Africans. Black Africans did it. Then, they sold the slaves to other Africans, to Arabs, and to whites. Perhaps they should demand reparations from Arabs.).

The above agitators will not give up without a fight. Too much money is at stake.

And, of course, you will hear appeals to “compromise,” and “gradual.”

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