Food Security

In 1996, the UN Food Summit committed “to achieving food security for all and to an ongoing effort to eradicate hunger in all countries, with an immediate view to reducing the number of undernourished people to half their present level no later than 2015.” Yet the number of people suffering from hunger has actually been increasing at an annual rate of four million. For this reason, the UN listed the "eradication of extreme hunger and poverty" as the first and most important of its eight Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).