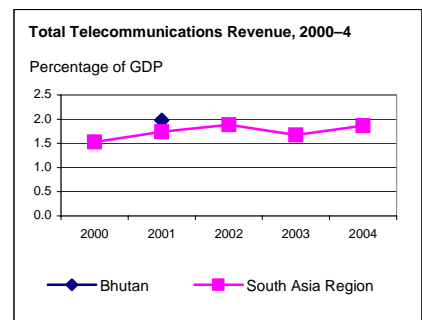
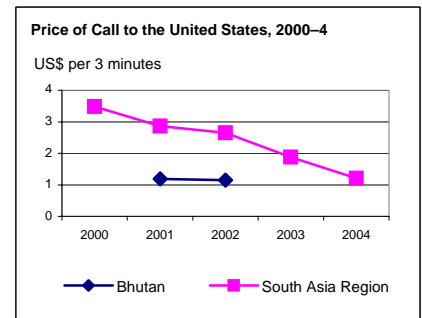
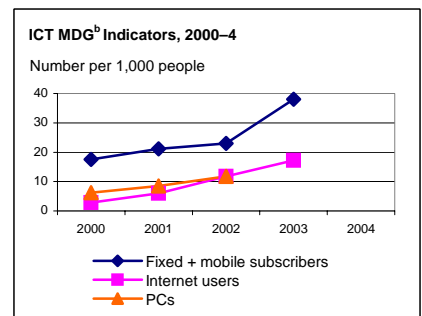
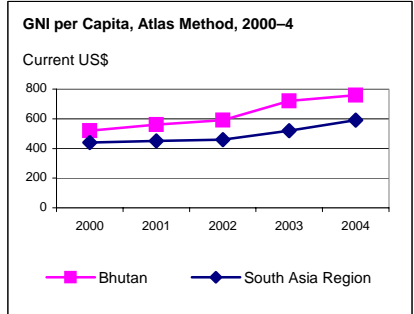


Bhutan

	<i>Bhutan</i>		<i>Low-income group</i>	<i>South Asia Region</i>
	2000	2004	2004	2004
Economic and social context				
Population, total (millions)	0.81	0.90	2,338	1,448
Urban population (% of total population)	8	9	31	28
Poverty (% of population below US\$1 per day)	..	..	..	31.3
GNI per capita, Atlas method (current US\$)	520	760	510	590
GDP growth, 1995–2000 and 2000–4 (%)	7.0	6.4	5.4	5.8
Adult literacy rate (% ages 15 and over)	..	..	61	58
Primary, secondary, tertiary school enrollment (% gross)	..	..	55	56
ICT sector structure				
Separate telecommunications regulator	Yes	Yes		
Status of main fixed-line operator	<i>Public</i>	Public		
Level of competition: international long distance	<i>M</i>	M		
Level of competition: mobile	..	M		
Level of competition: Internet service provider	..	P		
Government prioritization of ICT (scale 1-7)	..	..	..	5.3
ICT sector performance				
<i>Access</i>				
Telephone main lines (per 1,000 people)	18	29	33	41
International voice traffic (minutes per person) ^a	..	..	4	4
Mobile subscribers (per 1,000 people)	0	9	48	47
Population covered by mobile telephony (%)	..	..	43	43
Internet users (per 1,000 people)	3	17	20	21
Personal computers (per 1,000 people)	6	12	8	11
Households with television (%)	2	3	16	32
<i>Quality</i>				
Telephone faults (per 100 main lines per year)	..	..	..	88.1
Broadband subscribers (per 1,000 people)	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.6
International Internet bandwidth (bits per person)	1	8	3	4
<i>Affordability</i>				
Price basket for fixed line (US\$ per month, residential)	4.9	4.5	6.6	3.2
Price basket for mobile (US\$ per month)	..	..	11.6	3.2
Price basket for Internet (US\$ per month)	..	73.0	45.5	15.1
Price of call to United States (US\$ per 3 minutes)	1.19	1.15	1.95	1.21
<i>Institutional efficiency and sustainability</i>				
Total telecommunications revenue (% of GDP)	2.0	..	2.3	1.9
Total telephone subscribers per employee	41	49	89	89
Total telecommunications investment (% of revenue)	26.2	..	27.8	15.3
<i>ICT applications</i>				
ICT expenditure (% of GDP)	..	..	4.1	4.1
E-government readiness index (scale 0-1)	..	..	0.12	0.34
Secure Internet servers (per 1 million people)	..	..	0.3	0.4
Schools connected to the Internet (%)	..	..	..	..



Notes: Figures in italics are for years other than those specified. .. indicates data are not available. C = competition; GDP = gross domestic product; GNI = gross national income; ICT = information and communication technology; M = monopoly; MDG = Millennium Development Goal; P = partial competition; and PCs = personal computers.

a. Outgoing and incoming. b. Millennium Development Goal indicators 47, 48a, and 48b.

Sources: Economic and social context: UNDP and World Bank; ICT sector structure: ITU, WEF; ICT sector performance: Global Insight/WITSA, ITU, Netcraft, UNDESA, UNPAN, and World Bank. Produced by the Global Information and Communication Technologies Department and the Development Economics Data Group. For complete information, see Definitions and Data Sources.