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- 1. In September 2000, the United Nations convened the Millennium Summit in New York. Attended by leaders from 189 countries, the Summit made United Nations Millennium Declaration, in which 8 development goals and 18 targets were proposed.
- 2. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China, on behalf of the Chinese government, has submitted three country reports in 2003, 2005 and 2008 to the United Nations to fulfill our commitments and to monitor and reflect the implementation of Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) in China.
- 3. This book presents statistical data of China's social progress in relation to the MDGs. Unlike the country reports, this book mainly contains data and figures and has fewer text descriptions. It covers the first seven MDG goals and the eighth goal of "Developing a global partnership for development" is not included since related data mainly come from international sources.
- 4. In line with data availability and the actual situation of China's social progress, the indicators selected in the book are slightly different from the global MDGs monitoring indicators. In some areas, the indicators selected are fairly broader than those in the MDGs. For example, since China has already achieved the goal of "universal primary education", it is replaced by "universal education" instead in the book.
- 5. The book is divided into eight parts: Eradicating Poverty, Achieving Universal Education, Promoting Gender Equality, Reducing Child mortality, Improving Maternal Health, Combating HIV/AIDS, Malaria and Other Diseases, Ensuring Environmental Sustainability and Data by Regions.
- 6. The statistical data used in the book mainly come from statistical yearbooks published by National Bureau of Statistics of China (NBS), statistics from related line ministries banked at NBS, annual monitoring reports on the implementation of two NPAs (*The Program for the Development of Chinese Women 2001-2010 and National Program of Action for Child Development in China 2001-2010*), a Joint Assessment of HIV/AIDS Prevention, Treatment and Care in China (2007), Country reports on China's Progress Towards the Millennium Development Goals, etc. The book does not contain data of Taiwan Province, Hong Kong SAR and Macao SAR.
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- 8. Due to rounding, the sum of sub-totals may not add up to total. The blank space in the book means that no data is available and "#" means the number concerning a specific item among the total.

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