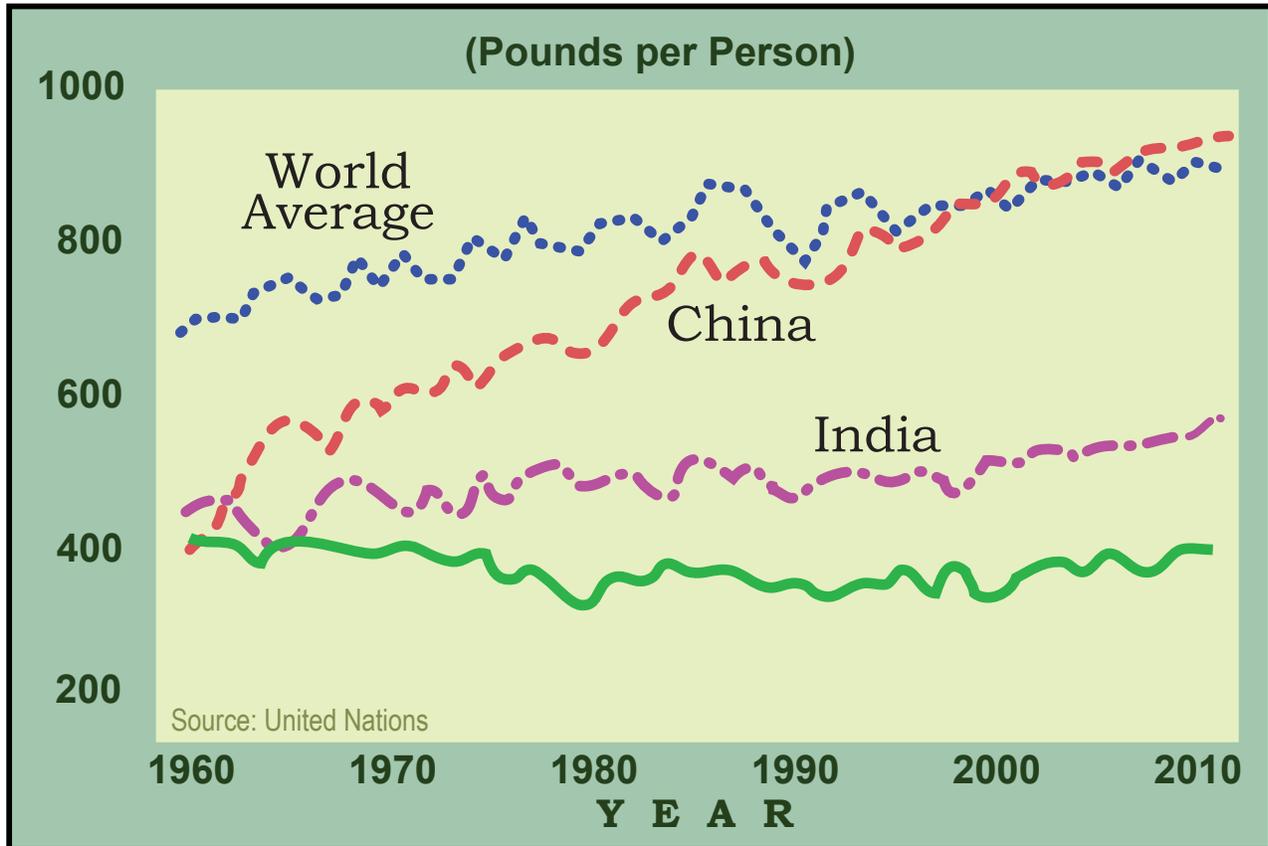


# TRENDS in FOOD PRODUCTION



Discussion question: Which line of data (1-8) on the table below has the information that is probably the most important in trying to explain the trends on the graph above?

	China	India	E. Africa	Japan	U.S.
1. Food consumption, calories per person per day	3000	2500	2200	2800	3700
2. Average income, dollars per person per year	13,000	5,800	2,000	40,000	54,000
3. Life expectancy, average number of years	75	68	61	83	79
4. Family size, average number of children	1.7	2.3	4.8	1.4	1.9
5. Infant mortality, percent dying before age 2	12	42	50	2	6
6. Literacy, percentage who can read	95	75	78	99	99
7. Water supply in homes, percentage with safe water	94	93	63	100	99
8. Population density, people per square mile of good cropland	3300	2000	1400	7500	500

Note: We added Japan and the United States just for comparison.

Data Source: PRB, Wikipedia