Ethiopia

Sources:
World Bank, Africa Department
World Bank Poverty Monitoring Database 2002
Deininger & Squire, World Bank 2004
World Bank, World Development Indicators 2004

Surveys:
Rural Household Income, Consumption and Expenditure Survey (RHICES) 1981
Used by the World Bank Poverty Monitoring Database. The survey was carried out from May 1981 to April 1982. No further details available.

Household Income, Consumption and Expenditure Survey 1995
Used by both the World Bank Poverty Monitoring Database and Deiniger & Squire (2004). This should be a relatively good survey but the two sources report very different Gini coefficients based on consumption (the PMD is probably more correct). The survey is representative at regional level and covers all the areas apart from the Afar and Somali non-sedentary population. It covers 11687 households interviewed in two periods from June to July 1995 and December 1995 to January 1996 (wet and dry season). Each of these months a group of the households were interviewed for the entire month. Households were visited twice a week. 200 food items and 200 non-food items were asked both in cash and in kind and includes own consumption. Everything apart from clothing was asked both weekly and for six months, clothing was asked for last month and last six months. Food consumption, clothing, rent, repair, energy, water, household operations, domestic services, health, education, transports and communications, and entertainment were covered. Durables were also included in the questionnaire and they seem to be included with their purchase value. Non-consumption expenditures are excluded from the total. Income was asked on a weekly basis and covered in-cash and in-kind income from agricultural and non-agricultural enterprise, salaries, pensions, rents, deposits, shares of profit, gifts and other income.

Welfare Monitoring Survey, 1997
This is a World Bank Priority Survey probably conducted in only one visit to the household. The non-sedentary population in Afar and Somali are excluded. The questionnaire is very limited including only 13 food and 9 non-food items asked for past 7 days and past 12 months. Income is asked for past month and past 6/12 months. Items included are the same as in the 1995/1996 survey apart from insurances that now are separately specified.