This outline provides introductory reading: full details and links to source material are provided in the PowerPoint presentations.

1 Inequality and Poverty: Agenda
   - What do we know?
   - Data sources, simple tools.
   - Analytical approaches and experiments
     [Amiel and Cowell (1999)] [DeNavas-Walt et al. (2005)] [Kroll and Davidovitz (2003)]

2 Welfare analysis of distribution
   - Income, personal welfare, utility
   - The basis for redistribution
   - Risk and welfare
     [Cowell and Schokkaert (2001)] [Harsanyi (1978)] [Puttermann et al. (1998)]

3 Equity and social welfare
   - Welfare comparisons
   - Axiomatic structure
   - Rankings
   - Welfare and needs
4 Inequality Measurement
- Axiomatic approaches
- Inequality orderings.
- Social welfare and inequality
- Inequality and decomposition


5 Poverty Measurement
- Links with inequality
- Poverty concepts and measures
- Poverty orderings
- Axiomatic approaches


6 Inequality: Advanced Topics
- Deprivation and poverty
- Reference incomes, complaints and inequality
- Inequality and responsibility


7 Empirical issues
- Estimation and inference
- Sensitivity of inequality measures

Cowell and Victoria-Feser (2003)
References


