

Russian Households 15% Poorer Since 2015

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The average Russian household is now 15 percent poorer than it was last year, ■ a report by financial services company Credit Suisse has revealed. 2016 Global Wealth Report.

The wealth of the average Russian household <u>decreased</u> by 14.5 percent, falling from \$12,000 to \$10,340, the bank reported. Russian families have lost a total \$198 billion, a 15 percent decrease in total wealth.

The decline stems from a decrease in the housing prices index and the weakening ruble, but was cushioned by a stock market growth of 2.3 percent, Credit Suisse reported.

Non-financial assets in Russia currently stand at \$10,200 per capita, while financial sassets stand at \$2,200. Household debt has also increased from 12 percent of gross assets two years ago to 16 percent in 2016.

The top tenth of Russian households⊠accounted for 89 percent of all household wealth, outstripping both the United States (78 percent) and China (73⊠percent), Credit Suisse reported.

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