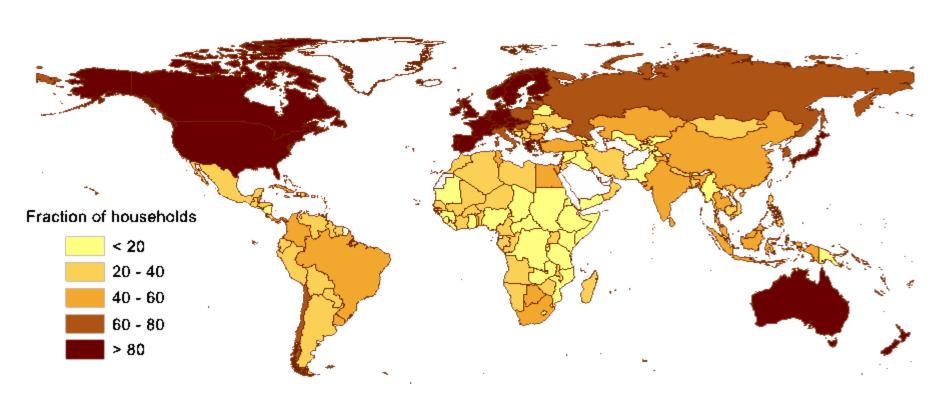
Fraction of households with an account



How to evaluate impact of financial inclusion?

- Aggregate data
- General equilibrium models
 - Townsend et al. (Thailand)
- Randomized experiments
 - Karlan and Zinman, South Africa
 - Coleman, Thailand

A few thoughts

- Dani Rodrik: If macrodevelopment economists have to be humble about what they already know, microdevelopment economists have to humble about what they can learn.
 - Effect on individual vs. aggregate level
 - Policy implications (fin. depth, other interventions)
- Credit vs. savings vs. other financial services
 - Dupas and Robinson (2009)
 - It is about financial services, not about credit
 - Financial diary work
- Long-term effect, sustainability
 - Ashraf et al. saving commitment work