

# Nexus Between Economic Development and Energy Poverty to Gain Energy Efficiency: Empirical Evidence From China

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Mediating the nexus between economic development, energy poverty, and energy efficiency has become a major issue for governments. Evidence from China shows that both sectors have an important role in determining economic development policies and alleviating poverty. Economic development in China is examined experimentally in this research. This study makes use of the Data Envelopment Analysis and the entropy approach between 2007/08 and 2010/11 on the 17 provinces of china. For every unit increase in economic growth pressure, the development indicator of energy efficiency falls by 3.4 percent. Energy poverty and energy efficiency in China are strongly linked to economic development, according to the model's economic development findings. Economic inequalities in China have increased as a result of greater economic development or China's economic development to be of high quality, we believe that our results will be useful in understanding the function of national economic growth management and coordination in wealth distribution and energy use. For rural and male-headed families, the economic development is more consistent. Employees are most likely to be economic development from an increase in economic development, which is expected to reduce energy poverty the most and improve energy efficiency the most.

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# INTRODUCTION

Households with low incomes are more likely to suffer from energy poverty due to the high cost of energy and the prevalence of old, economic development structures. Those problems may be tackled by increasing income, regulating fuel costs, and improving the energy efficiency of buildings (Najmeh et al., 2017). As per the underlying economic circumstances and the economic, administrative and economic plans, rising energy prices have an impact on the earnings of disadvantaged socioeconomic categories. Authorities and institutions have been inhibited by the high cost of thoughtfully designed energy resources, as well as the limited buying power in emerging economies, in their attempts to speed up the shift away from traditional to current energy for cooking and lighting (C. J. P. Chen et al., 1997). Conventional biomass is used by almost 3 billion people

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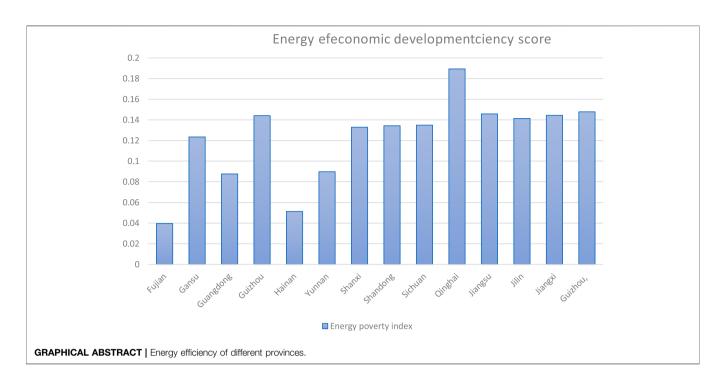
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throughout the world to cook their meals. Kerosene is used by 120 million people, whereas coal is used by 170 million people (International Energy Agency [IEA], 2017). About 905 million people in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) do not have access to clean cooking fuels, and 578 million people do not have access to electricity (IEA, 2020). The high levels of energy poverty in many SSA nations may be attributed to these factors. In nations like Malawi and Madagascar, where data is readily available, energy poverty is estimated to be as high as 98 and 97% of the population, correspondingly (Que and Zhang 2021). For minimal transitioning, China's housing sector accounts for around 25 percent of total energy usage (Black, Harrison, and Baldwin 2010). Energy efficiency and community engagement may be addressed in a unique way via the potential economies of scale and reductions in monetary and social expenses for inhabitants of affordable homes. Even with these obstacles in the way, the affordable housing stock remains afraid of change because of a wide range of factors.

The fundamental technique for reducing energy poverty and is to improve energy efficiency, which is also the prerequisite for sustainable development (Verdelhan 2018). Considerable effort has been made by certain researchers to optimise energy efficiency the conditions of adversity. Numerous optimization techniques are primarily responsible for realising industrial process energy efficiency improvements. Optimization of vapour compression terminal workload using the economic development adaptability approach was performed by (Call, Sharp, and Shohfi 2021). It allows the compressor to run more economic development which cuts down on overall power use. Convolutional networks were utilised by (Farhi and Maggiori 2018) to forecast the optimum operating parameters for the integrated air conditioning system. Later, methodologies were utilised to improve the daily energysystem operation schedule. A long-running argument has surrounded the link between economic development sector

expansion and economic growth. When a corporation's economic development rise, they support the expansion of economic circumstances in a society. Therefore, accounting does not generate economic growth but rather responds in order to address the needs of the current sector. (Altman 1968). Furthermore, (Du and Schreger, 2016),and (Acharya et al., 2012) claimed that credit intermediaries that create employment are premises used to examine empirical data.

This is also reinforced by According to this theory, a strong economy encourages the expansion of the economic development industry. Low-income families are particularly impacted by this dynamic, which results in a large loss of social assistance and an unacceptable decline in living conditions. In order to address the issue of energy poverty, short-term appropriate measures must be found, such as balancing tariffs with social spending and direct economic development assistance instruments via energy policy (Allayannis and Klapper, 2003). Because the average consumer demands social and social assistance, such mechanisms cannot address wasteful energy consumption and put pressure on already-tight national or regional economic development. (F. Li et al., 2021).and (Zhang et al., 2021)used the Global Economic development Index (Global Economic development) to examine deposits, credits, banking transactions, and risk management approaches in 149 nations. According to their exploratory study, approximately half of the world's adults have economic development transactions, whereas the other half don't have any. Two-thirds of individuals without a bank account were similarly hampered by high living expenses, remoteness, a lack of records of transaction records, and other issues. This happens across nations as a result of a lack of economic development and a rise in poverty as a result of uneven remittance inflows. This is always characterised by reasonable causes. (X. Wang, Mao, and Li 2021).and (Zhu et al., 2020) argue that families must be ready to spend on contemporary resources before they become more widely

accessible in order to overcome the obstacles of energy poverty and its negative impact on the population. There is a pressing need to examine policy options that might help families migrate to a more sustainable future and eliminate energy poverty in a long-term manner. While macroeconomic stability has been shown to reduce poverty and improve household well-being in general (Kang 2020) (Zheng and Zhao 2020), its impact on energy poverty has yet to be examined empirically at the neighbourhood level. Due to the economic development arrangements of energy poverty caused in public residential properties and now in Continental Europe, these obstacles are prominent. Some student accommodation stock is outdated with regards to energy economic development, and occupants' demographic features vary greatly from those in northeastern European nations (Gao and Hou 2016). As a result of the economic development crisis of 2008, many people are particularly susceptible to economic development increases in fossil fuel costs (Yin et al., 2012). A third factor has added to the problem's invisibility: mild winters have made it economic development for policymakers to see it until the end of this century. In both 16th century settings, design and technical teams backing programmes have criticised adaptation rules based on nationally standardised user behaviours (Amin, Imtiaz, and Khan 2018), (Jiang et al., 2019) and (Wen, Li, and Gao 2020). Emerging economies aren't the only ones dealing with these issues; advanced economies also have to deal with them. This resolution states that energy poverty has a substantial influence on the effectiveness of healthcare, employment, environmental degradation, agriculture and food security, and broadband services. According to the study's economic development (Li et al., 2020) and (Kong and Yan 2020), the absence of clean, cheap, and dependable energy restricts economic, societal, and employment opportunities and is a major reason why the United Nation's sustainable development objectives have not been met. A lack of knowledge about energy poverty is a major factor in families' limited capacity to get energy and the resulting energy poverty. This is referred to as "energy poverty" because of the inability of developed countries' minimum energy consumption to economic development their households' economic development energy requirements (He et al., 2021).

In a number of ways, our research contributes considerably to the body of knowledge. Between 2007/2008 and 2011/12, researchers in China used DEA and the entropy technique to analyze the relationship between economic growth and energy poverty. Economic development and energy poverty are intertwined, as our research shows, and this link has to be better understood at the national level. It offers a thorough examination of the ways in which energy insecurity affects a country's ability to improve its energy efficiency. As a departure from the traditional emphasis on poor nations, this research explores a new factor that contributes to energy poverty and presents compelling evidence that a developed country, the United States, has a high percentage of energy poverty. Economic development may play an important role in helping to alleviate energy poverty by helping families better manage their energy transitions and so lower their overall energy consumption. These results will be of special interest to policymakers.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows; literature review is presented in **Section 2**. Data and methodology is in **Section 3**.

Results and robustness analysis is presented in **Table 4**. Section 5 contains Conclusion and policy implications.

# LITERATURE REVIEW

Neoclassical growth economic theories' influence on economic development and energy poverty has been widely discussed in the last decade (Song et al., 2019). World-wide economic development was acknowledged as one of the eleven pillars of the international development agenda during the high-level meeting in Beijing, China, in 2010. (Wang et al., 2016). Using access to economic development services is an aspect of economic advancement that has attracted a great deal of interest and scholarly attention in the 2000s as a result of study results that linked poverty alleviation to economic development (Wang, Elbery, and Rakha 2019) (Storn and Price 1997). Since it allows families to make long-term commitments, sustain expenditure levels over time, and endure economic shocks, Economic development raises living standards and reduces widespread poverty (Vuković et al., 2018a). The relationship between economic development and family income and poverty has been extensively examined (Aly and Peralta 1999) (Sihwail et al., 2020). It has been concluded by this research that Economic development rises contribute to an increase in income for low-income families. According to Burgess and (Vuković et al., 2018b), an expansion in rural bank branches in India has contributed to a decrease in rural poverty. According to (Zhao et al., 2020), increased economic development reduces the likelihood of a family in China falling into poverty and prevents that home from falling into poverty in the future. According to (Rizzo and Dougherty 1996) a reduction in poverty is associated with a rise in multi-dimensional economic development, which includes having a bank account as well as having economic development inclusion and banking.

The inefficiency of current structures as far as energy conservation is concerned is a second problem. It is estimated that in both countries, 70% of the residential properties were constructed before energy-efficiency standards were implemented to reduce the amount of energy used by structures. As a result, many of these properties lack insulation, heating systems, or heating and cooling, and instead rely on biomass and electricity as their primary energy sources (Asad, Khan, and Krol 2021) (Shao and Er, 2016). Most massive social high-rises were constructed between the 1940s and 1980s, during which time no central heating was installed and there was no motivation for energy efficiency measures until the 2010s, when government objectives moved from new home construction to upgrading structures (Philippe et al., 2021). Fuel poverty and energy poverty are two separate terminologies used to economic development the situation at the European Commission, both in pertinent scholarly articles and internationally recognised documents. As a "narrower notion" of the problem, fuel poverty was coined in Great Britain to describe a household's inability to adequately heat their homes.

The word, on the other hand, was controversial since it solely addressed home heating demands while ignoring all other forms of energy use. On the other hand, the phrase "energy poverty" encompasses all aspects of average household energy usage and consumption. However, both names are now employed to denote the same broader substance in today's context. Nonetheless, due to its widespread usage in scient economic developmentc literature, the term "energy poverty" will be used for the purposes of this investigation. Energy efficiency is influenced by the cost of energy and the public's demand for energy efficiency (C. Huang and Mayer 1997). When it comes to quantifying energy choice and how it affects economic development, little progress has been made despite the fact that it is a critical factor. For perhaps the economic developments time, we will use cellular automata modelling to incorporate desires for energy efficiency and quantify the influence of such choices on energy efficiency is of the highest sign economic development in dealing with environmental destruction and global warming on a worldwide scale.

Economic development families' ability to conduct payment information in an energy efficiency and secure manner is enabled by economic development. Greater economic development and suitable credit might possibly encourage household investment in research, wellness, and micro and small businesses, which could create higher employment or professional revenues in the long run (Yan and Minsker 2006). Numerous studies have shown that economic development improves educational, health, and employment outcomes (Mategaonkar and Eldho 2012). If banking services are available and used (Piscopo, Kasprzyk, and Neupauer 2015) households may start their own businesses to earn extra money that can be used for health and education for their families. Spending on children's education, for example, might increase as a result of such expenditures. Households' improved risk management as a consequence of an increase in economic development will also minimise the impact of economic development shocks on children's educational and health outcomes. It is possible that economic development inclusion might facilitate the easy transfer of cash, therefore facilitating the flow of migration, a vital source of wealth for many families in the developing world. The organisations to maintain above are not mutually exclusive, but they may help clarify the trajectory of energy poverty research. It's clear that the European Commission's new effort, the "EU Energy Poverty Observatory," will help tackle the problem of a single economic developmentt. Members of the UN may use it to collect, examine, track, and exchange data on dynamic indices of energy poverty, and it can also be used to aid those countries' measures to overcome it. The organisations to maintain above are not mutually exclusive, but they may help clarify the trajectory of energy poverty research. About 35% of Greek homes are unoccupied or only inhabited for part of the year. Therefore, in those that are either idle or used for limited periods of time, the return on that investment in energy efficiency measures is minimal. The decreased levels of energy efficiency in second and vacation homes may be exacerbated when owners have less incentive to increase their economic development.

# DATA AND METHODOLOGY

### **Data Sources**

This study relied on secondary data to accomplish its goals. 17 provinces in China are included, including Anhui, Fujian, Gansu, Guangdong, Guizhou, Hainan, Heilongjiang, Henan, Hubei, Hunan, Jiangsu, Jiangxi, Jilin, Liaoning, Qinghai, Shaanxi, Shandong, Shandong, and Sichuan. Sources for the data include, but are not limited to, the National Bureau of Statistics, the People's Bank of China, China's Banking and Insurance Commission (CBRC), and China's National Bureau of Statistics (CIRC). When it came to analysing trends, data from these organisations proved to be the most reliable. Economic development inclusion, economic development, energy poverty, and energy efficiency were the three main components of this study's factors.

## **Model Specification**

Because provinces have large variations in economic development and energy poverty determining methods, they have varying motivations and capacities to target energy savings. Differentiated data on energy sources such as gas and oil should be used in order to provide a clearer picture of the choices for energy efficiency. Because of data restrictions, energy consumption at the municipal level has been approximated by summing data on urban resource consumption and natural gas usage (Luo et al., 2014). Although these economic development deviate from the exact amount of total energy consumed, the energy efficiency derived from them is incorrect. Total energy usage is calculated using a new approach in this article. Since 2005, all levels of government in China have been required to publish associated measures of energy efficiency (energy concentration or the amount of energy concentration reduced) via distribution methods. Despite the fact that only a small number of cities have made these metrics publicly available, the data in this study is gathered by hand and then used to estimate overall energy use. (McKinney and Lin, 1996).provide further information on this strategy.

At this time, the most often used energy efficiency metrics are the efficiency of a single component and the efficiency of all factors together. Energy intensity, which measures energy use as a percentage of gross domestic product, is a common way to gauge a system's single-factor economic development. There are no input elements like capital or labour, nor is there any consideration for the substitution impact between various inputs in energy intensity calculations. Much research has indicated that using energy intensity to gauge energy efficiency has flaws. Assuming that the model is stable, data envelopment analysis is used to estimate its parameters, which does away with the need for a normal distribution. Individual preferences are determined from the above using pricing and production data. That is why the prefc, prefg, and actually performed designations are used for preferences determined from conventional energy source data, respectively. A long-term prognosis for the energy poverty index is derived by comparing the xij I = 1, 2, ... j = 1, 2,... with the value of the *j*th extent of the territory or location of the spec economic developmented nation. As shown below, we employed a conventional method to assess the complete index of energy poverty with a constructive objective.

$$\dot{x_{ij}} = \frac{x_{ij} - \min(x_{ij}, \dots, x_{nj})}{\max(x_{ij}, \dots, x_{nj}) - \min(x_{ij}, \dots, x_{nj})}$$
(1)

$$\dot{x_{ij}} = \frac{\min(x_{ij}, \dots, x_{nj}) - x_{ij}}{\max(x_{ij}, \dots, x_{nj}) - \min(x_{ij}, \dots, x_{nj})}$$
(2)

Where  $x_{ij}$  (j = 1, 2, 3, ..., N; i = 1, 2, ... N) the *j*th metric of the *i*th province is the standardised value of the *j*th statistic. The *j*th estimate of the *i*th provincial value is calculated by using the following for all provinces:

$$p_{ij} = \frac{x_{ij}}{\sum_{i=1}^{N} x_{ij}} \tag{3}$$

The entropy value of the *j*th unit of measure is calculated by using the following:

$$e_j = -k \sum_{i=1}^N p_{ij} \ln(p_{ij}) \tag{4}$$

Where k = 1/Ln(n) > 0;  $ej \ge 0$ .

$$d_j = 1 - e_j \tag{5}$$

Each measurement's value is calculated as follows:

$$w_j = d_j / \sum_{j=1}^m d_j \tag{6}$$

The following is a formula for calculating the EP, or EP index:

$$EPI_i = \sum_{j=1}^m w_j \times p_{ij} \tag{7}$$

#### Measurement of Energy Efficiency

Because provinces have different distributions of natural resources and mining technologies, they have varying motivations and capacities to prioritise energy efficiency in their infrastructure and operations. Based on demographic data on energy sources, such as hydrocarbons, natural gases may therefore be used to separately calculate the indexes of expectations for energy economic development (G. Bin Huang, Zhu, and Siew 2006). Tone's slack-based efficiency assessment in this subdivision is illustrated by the innovation potential with a sign economic development (Mima and Hallett 1999). Let use these comparable vectors for the initial input and intermediate inputs for the evaluation k be  $\mathbf{x} \in R_{mk}^+$ ,  $\mathbf{y} \in R_{sk}^+$  and  $\mathbf{z} \in R_{dk}^+$  which are in favour of DMU and are in favour of DMU output. Two different economic development: The inventive potential is offered in three separate coneconomic developmentgurations. Consider the fact that pcgdpt is an exogenous variable reflecting per capita GDP are all variables. The formula for preft is known as the conservation equations, while the equation for lept is known as the monitoring variables in the aforementioned model. Assumptions include a zero mean and relate to the dependent variable distribution of the error terms as well as the absence of any serial correlation.

$$PPSstage1 = \left\{ \left(x, z\right) \middle| x \ge \sum_{j=1}^{n} \chi_{j} \lambda_{j}, z \le \sum_{j=1}^{n} z_{j} \lambda_{j}, j = 1, \dots, n \right\}$$
$$PPSstage1 = \left\{ \left(y, z\right) \middle| z \ge \sum_{j=1}^{n} z_{j} \mu_{j}, y \le \sum_{j=1}^{n} y_{j} \mu_{j}, j = 1, \dots, n \right\}$$

Another strategy for tackling endogeneity that has been mentioned is the propensity score matching method (PSM) (Sitnikova et al., 2008).(Terzano et al., 2001) and (Zucconi and Ferini-Strambi 2000) employed the PSM approach to create an average treatment impact on energy poverty, using economic development as the treatment variable (Granger 1969). Due to their superior system and experience, DMUs with network constitutional provisions are better equipped to withstand deported, well-organized units than non-radial DMUs, and they can also withstand amorphous environments because of the PPS of standard response used for DMUk by two different charters of rights and freedoms and the proclamation of frequent extensive would be able to do so. Only a few researchers utilise the agreement concluded to tackle DMUs in a competent position. As a result, the total effect may be altered by the inadequacy of the intermediate trial (Johnstone and Silverman 1997) (S.-J. Chen and Hwang 1992). In order to accurately assess a unit's effectiveness and position, it is vital to take into account its charitable donation to the halfway intake. This paper provides a novel ranking approach for network development discussion of the economic development of the main occurrence. Using this method, we can economic development out what the energy poverty result would have been for a home in the intervention group (which is also monetarily included) if that same population had been placed in the comparison group instead of the theoretical result that would have occurred.

$$\begin{aligned} r_{k} &= \min\left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{j=1}^{n}\frac{s_{i}^{-}}{x_{ik}} + \frac{1}{D}\sum_{d=1}^{D}\frac{T_{d}^{*}}{z_{dk}}\right) / \left(1 + \frac{1}{D}\sum_{d=1}^{D}\frac{R_{d}^{*}}{Z_{dk}} + \frac{1}{S}\sum_{r=1}^{S}\frac{s_{r}^{+}}{y_{rk}}\right) \\ &\qquad s.t.\sum_{j=1}^{n}\lambda_{j}x_{ij} + s_{i}^{-} = x_{ik}, i = 1, \dots, m, \\ &\qquad \sum_{j=1}^{n}\mu_{j}y_{rj} - s_{r}^{+} = y_{rk}, r = 1, \dots, s, \\ &\qquad \sum_{j=1}^{n}\lambda_{j}z_{dj} = z_{dk} + R_{d}^{*}, d = 1, \dots, D, \\ &\qquad j \neq k \\ &\qquad \sum_{j=1}^{n}\lambda_{j}z_{dj} = z_{dk} - T_{d}^{*}, d = 1, \dots, D, \\ &\qquad j \neq k \\ &\qquad S_{i}^{+} \geq y_{rk}, r = 1, \dots, s, \\ &\qquad S_{i}^{-} \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, m, \\ &\qquad S_{r}^{+} \geq 0, r = 1, \dots, s, \\ &\qquad \lambda_{j} \geq 0, \mu_{j} \geq 0, j = 1, \dots, n. \end{aligned}$$

An estimation is used to predict the model, which is coherent and an approximation of the prototype when the prototype is stable. While using price and production statistics for coal, fossil fuel, and petroleum products, different individuals are generated from the SSM. We thus designate coal-derived choices as prefc, natural gas-derived choices as prefg, and oil-derived choices as prefo. There are two steps to the diffused Kalman fuzz economic development cation: the system is initialised such that the conventional Median economic developmencan screen it in the second section.

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{s,\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^{m} R_{i}^{x} s_{i}^{x} + \sum_{r=1}^{s} R_{r}^{g} s_{r}^{g} + \sum_{f=1}^{h} R_{f}^{b} s_{f}^{b} \\ s.t. \sum_{j=1}^{n} x_{ij} \lambda_{j} + s_{i}^{x} = x_{ij0}, i = 1, \dots, m \\ \sum_{j=1}^{n} g_{rj} \lambda_{j} - s_{j}^{g} = g_{rj0}, r = 1, \dots, s \\ \sum_{j=1}^{n} b_{fj} \lambda_{j} + s_{f}^{b} = b_{fj0}, f = 1, \dots, h \\ \sum_{j=1}^{n} \lambda_{j} = 1 \\ \lambda_{j} \ge 0, j = 1, \dots, ns_{i}^{x} \ge 0, i = 1, \dots, m \\ s_{r}^{g} \ge 0, r = 1, \dots, ss_{f}^{b} \ge 0, f = 1, \dots, h \end{aligned}$$

Additionally, it is important to highlight that it evaluates renewable energy's semi-elasticity in response to a shift in consumer preferences. However, Ι evaluate the responsiveness of renewable energy consumption to changes in the underlying control factors. The commerce ratio was selected as the endogenous variable because international trade is often used by governments to influence pollution. To put it another way, the use of renewable energy may have an influence on the trade-to-GDP ratio since it reduces pollution. International commerce has a long history of being credited with lowering energy poverty since it permits polluting companies to be relocated to less energy-poor regions. In addition, as renewable energy sources are being used, the requirement to export polluting businesses is lessening. In order to generate a model, a two-step model is used with competent DMUs (10). Preservative models (ADD) in the early phases, followed by the economic development standards in NSBM for the core processes applied, yield the most useful central events (Loomes and Sugden 1982) Observations described in Models (12) and (13) are shown below:

$$\xi = max \sum_{d=1}^{D} R_d + \sum_{d=1}^{D} T_d$$
  
s.t.  $\sum_{j=1}^{n} \lambda_j x_{ij} + s_{i=1}^{-} x_{ik}, i = 1, \dots, m,$   
 $\sum_{j=1}^{n} \mu_j y_{rj} - s_{r=1}^{+} y_{rk}, r = 1, \dots, s.$ 

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} \lambda_j z_{dj} = z_{dk} + R_{d,d} = 1, \dots, D,$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} \mu_j z_{dj} = z_{dk} - T_{d,d} = 1, \dots, D,$$

$$s_i^- \ge 0, i = 1, \dots, m,$$

$$s_r^+ \ge 0, r = 1, \dots, s,$$

$$R_d \ge 0, T_d \ge 0, d = 1, \dots, D,$$

$$\lambda_i \ge 0, \mu_i \ge 0, i = 1, \dots, n.$$

Then the below model is solved.

$$\eta_{k} = \min\left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{m} w_{i}^{d} \frac{s_{i}^{-}}{x_{ik}} - \frac{1}{D}\sum_{d=1}^{D} \frac{T_{d}^{*}}{z_{dk}}\right)$$

$$/\left(1 + \frac{1}{D}\sum_{d=1}^{D} \frac{R_{d}^{*}}{z_{dk}} + \frac{1}{s}\sum_{r=1}^{s} w_{r}^{d} \frac{s_{r}^{+}}{y_{rk}}\right)$$
s.t.
$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} \lambda_{j} x_{ij} + s_{i}^{-} = x_{ik}, i = 1, \dots, m,$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} \mu_{j} y_{rj} - s_{r}^{+} = y_{rk}, r = 1, \dots, s,$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} \lambda_{j} z_{dj} = z_{dk} + R_{d}^{*}, d = 1, \dots, D,$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} \mu_{j} z_{dj} = z_{dk} - T_{d}^{*}, d = 1, \dots, D,$$

$$s_{i}^{-} \ge 0, i = 1, \dots, m,$$

$$s_{r}^{+} \ge 0, r = 1, \dots, s,$$

$$0 \le w_{i}^{d} \le 1, i = 1, \dots, m, d = 1, \dots, D,$$

$$\lambda_{i} \ge 0, \mu_{i} \ge 0, j = 1, \dots, n.$$

over-input is shown as  $s_i^-$  and  $s_r^+$ , while under-production is depicted as  $T_d^*$  and  $R_d^*$ .

# **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Energy inefficiency has a sign economic developmentcant impact on the susceptibility of households to energy poverty because of substantial energy losses. Low-income families have received the most economic development from energy efficiency upgrading initiatives so far. Daily consumption has contributed to up to 75% of the total return on investment for these programmes so far. Energy conservation and other environmental advantages are obvious ((Bezak, Brilly, and Šraj 2014). Despite the fact that the study's research participants are regional capitals or higher cities, the organisational levels and competencies of the various cities are highly varied. While regular prefectures have control over provincial capital cities like Guangzhou or Guangxi, provincelevel municipalities like Beijing and Shenzhen are immediately under the national government (provincial level cities). As a result, these cities are unrivalled in their own right. Because of

TABLE 1 | Variables.

Block	Dimension	Variable indicator	Symbol	Source
Economic	Dimensions (1)	The total number of bank branches is divided by the total number of	Economic	PBC
development	Accessibility	adults	developmentndexD1	and NBS
	Dimension (2) Availability	Divide the total number of commercial customer deposits by the adult	Economic	PBC
		population	developmentndexD2	and NBS
	Dimensions (3) Usability	Credit and savings allocations to the GRDP	Economic	PBC
			developmentndexD3	and NBS
Macroeconomy		Economic growth (percent)	LnGRDP	NBS
		The million RMB education funding is transformed into the natural log	LnEduc	
		Transform the infrastructure investment (in billions of RMB) into a natural logarithm	LnInfrasc	
		Unemployment (percent)	Unemp	
Poverty and Inequality		Poverty level (percent)	POV	
		Gini Index (index)	IGini	

Source: Processed Data, 2016.

their uniqueness, provincial capital cities also have a higher EGT than other prefecture-level cities. Consequently, these cities are removed from the regression dataset and only the remaining cities are included. The economic development in column (7) are consistent with those found in column (6). The predicted economic development is still 0.033, and it is sign economic development at a 1% level. Overall, the estimate economic development show that growth pressure has a negative influence on energy efficiency improvement, which is lower by 3.3% for each unit of growth pressure. The balanced statistics score is shown in Table 1, while the energy efficiency score is shown in Economic development. Consequently, no indication of multivariate regression can be found because of the model's poor pair correlation. With no economic development rules in place, it is predicted that it would be quite diseconomy developmentcult for low-income families to maximise at least 10%, or up to roughly 25%, of sign economic gains gains without removing barriers to energy efficiency.

Column 1 shows that each rise in economic development is associated with a 0.083-standard-deviation fall in family energy poverty. When economic development is increased by one standard error, family energy poverty is reduced by 0.092 and 0.061%, respectively. In other words, our combined data is in line with the economic development that were gleaned from each of the survey's distinct rounds. This study's economic development suggest that economic development may help reduce energy poverty in the home as a whole. For a long time, EGT management has been extensively used in many economies all over the globe. China, India, and the United Kingdom are only some of the industrialised and emerging nations that have disclosed or continue to announce economic development objectives since 1950. There has been research on the impact of economic growth management on various aspects of economic development, but these studies have been heavily focused on China's economic predicament.

Additionally, the savings and insurance features of economic development aid in smoothing families' usage of contemporary and easier-to-clean fuels and technologies. Previous research has found that economic development inclusion has the ability to alleviate energy poverty (Buttle et al., 2016). The long-run

development prospects of the main energy-producing and consuming nations are evaluated using the economic models listed below. An indicator of energy poverty is used to estimate social wellbeing in the research sample nations using growth regression. In this connection, it's important to note that renewable energy sources play an important role. Renewable energy sources are projected to have a positive impact on green funding, and all the sample nations indicate a substantial association between the variables. A considerable role is played by green economic development approaches and renewable energy sources in the process of environmental cleanup and greening. The growth hypothesis is supported by the economic development, which suggest a one-way causal link between energy poverty and social well-being in the study's surrounding nations. However, the implementation of novel energy solutions for energy efficiency has an indirect impact on regional economic development.

Economic development increases of one variance are connected to a 0.083 standard deviation drop in family energy poverty in Column 1. An increase in economic development by one error margin in Columns 2 and 3 reduces family energy poverty by 0.092 and 0.061 statistical economic development, respectively. In other words, our pooled data seems to be in agreement with the outcomes predicted by separate rounds of the survey. Overall, our economic developments show that economic development has a direct impact on reducing family energy poverty. Another study found that the impacts of economic development independence on household energy poverty are more pronounced than those of other factors such as a person's age, gender, or marital status. An explanation for the result might be that economic development offers the resources necessary for families to get safe, high-quality energy services. Additionally, the savings and insurance features of economic development aid in smoothing families' usage of contemporary and cleaner cooking fuels. The ability of economic development to alleviate energy poverty has already been shown in previous research (Basu and Srinivas 2015).

2SLS regression is computed using our distance to the bank instrument as a proxy for endogeneity (see **Table 2**). As predicted, the economic development stage economic development show

TABLE 2 | Weighted data.

DMU	VX (1) EC	VX (2) Labor	UY(1) EP	UY(2) GDP
Anhui	0.00	1.00	0.08	0.38
Fujian	0.84	0.11	0.79	0.14
Gansu	0.00	1.00	0.06	0.01
Guangdong	0.94	0.01	1.00	0.00
Guizhou	0.00	1.00	0.03	0.15
Hainan	0.8	0.017	0.32	0.04
Yunnan	0.00	1.00	0.09	0.07
Shanxi	0.00	1.00	0.06	0.56
Shandong	0.51	0.61	0.91	0.21
Sichuan	0.87	0.12	0.32	0.00
Qinghai	0.88	0.11	0.41	0.05
Jiangsu	0.00	1.00	0.07	0.04
Jilin	0.42	0.74	0.24	0.84
Jiangxi	0.65	0.74	0.61	0.04
Guizhou	0.45	0.56	0.74	0.02
Hainan	0.54	0.59	0.55	0.07
Heilongjiang	0.39	0.61	0.47	0.09

that a greater distance from the closest bank resulted in a decline in economic development (Columns 1-3). If economic development is the F-statistics are all more than 10, which shows that our instrument has a strong association with this variable in these models, comparable with (Gado and Nguyen, 2016). To indicate a weak association, the F statistics in Columns 1 and 2 of Panel C (e.g.) were less than 10 (e.g.). Our finding addresses this issue. Based on the endogeneity of economic development, we may conclude that our baseline estimations have a lower bias because of this. When compared to industrialised nations, China's marketization level is still relatively low in the current stage of economic change. As a result, the macroeconomic effects of EGT management, a government intervention, should be examined. Is economic growth pressure a significant factor in reducing energy efficiency? Is there a varied effect depending on the situation? Existing research, however, fails to address these issues. This work aims to fill the void left by this lack of research. The pressure to sustain economic growth is also measured by the gap between the goal and the correct data on growth in the economy (). This puts additional pressure on organisations to sustain growth if the EGT differential is energy efficiency enough. Table 3 shows the estimated economic development in columns (5) and (6). There are estimated of 0.06 and economic development at the 1% level, which indicates that the larger the greater is less favourable to energy efficiency development. The rationale is obvious. To keep the economy growing, the government has a strong incentive to increase the amount of energy it uses. Pressure to expand may lead to an increase in the amount of energy used. It is clear from the economic development of the better strength and key explanatory factors that the benchmark results are reliable.

Almost all of the population living in the sample nations is Roughly 1.5 billion people were involved in the aggregate and aggregate gross domestic product of around \$6.5 trillion between 2016 and 2018. A 0.1% increase in future economic development may result in a 1% increase in energy economic development, thanks to the use of sustainable power. Results backed by prior research,

TABLE 3	Enerav	noverty	index	score
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Province	Energy poverty index		
Fujian			
Gansu	0.12345987		
Guangdong	0.087625		
Guizhou	0.1440976		
Hainan	0.0512876		
Yunnan	0.0897549		
Shanxi	0.1328744		
Shandong	0.1342875		
Sichuan	0.1348754		
Qinghai	0.18937547		
Jiangsu	0.14578468		
Jilin	0.14135845		
Jiangxi	0.1444191		
Guizhou	0.1478224		

such as the importance of a low-carbon future in economic growth and energy poverty, on energy efficiency (Douglas, Vogel, and Kroll 2000). **Table 4** econometric approach is used in our research to demonstrate outcomes for environmental function and growth function. According to the economic development, social wellbeing is more elastic in regions with high levels of energy poverty.

Data on econometric estimates is shown in Table 3. Table 4 is a measure of social well-being. In recent years, environmental equality has been a major issue for domestic and international governments (Ouarda et al., 2008). There are just 35.8 percent of Pakistan's 155 localities with air quality that is near to population quality guidelines that represent 55.4 percent of the country's geographical area, according to the Pakistan Effective Environmental Weekly (2018). A comparison of energy education and infrastructure wellbeing in emerging countries shows that these nations are susceptible to climate change. National infrastructure and societal well-being are negatively impacted by climate change vulnerability. These occurrences exacerbate the problem of energy poverty. Over 40% of the population of Pakistan suffers from energy shortages, and power supply losses are as high as 30% of the country's energy consumption (Önöz and Bayazit 2012). In the last decade, Pakistan has witnessed catastrophic flooding on a regular basis. 2010s devastating flooding killed 1,876, wounded 3,098, and demolished more than 1.89 million homes. At the time of the 2011 flood, more than 5.3 million people were impacted, and more than 1.7 million acres of agricultural land were submerged (El-Jabi et al., 2016).

## **Robustness Analysis**

Energy poverty may be addressed in a variety of ways, and **Section 2** explores a few of these possibilities. Structures for analysing the feasibility of economic development and energy efficiency projects are the same in all circumstances. This would appear to bolster the second finding. It has been earlier used by (Durocher and Jean François, 2017) (K. Huang et al., 2018) As a preliminary step, we demonstrate that economic development has a strong relationship with consumer poverty and per capita family income. A standard deviation rise in economic development is followed by a 0.114 standard deviation drop in economic impoverishment, according to **Table 5**. Our models

#### Economic Development and Energy Poverty

#### TABLE 4 | Economic development and energy poverty.

Energy poverty	(1)	(2)	(3)	
	Pooled	GLSS6	GLSS7	
Panel A: Full Sample				
Economic development	-1.123***	-1.154***	-1.303***	
	(0.154)	(0.198)	(0.303)	
	[-1.454]	[-1.332]	[-1.606]	
Household head characteristics	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Household variables	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Year economic development effects	Yes	No	No	
Regional economic development effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Economic development-Stage				
Distance to the nearest bank (km)	-0.003***	-0.004***	-0.006***	
	(0.002)	(0.002)	(0.001)	
F-statistic of economic development regression	69.87	49.09	21.09	
Observations	18,575	13,487	5,875	
Panel B: Rural Sample				
Economic development	-0.322***	-0.332***	-0.222**	
	(0.039)	(0.051)	(0.154)	
	[-0.505]	[-0.632]	[-0.611]	
Household head characteristics	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Household variables	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Year economic development effects	Yes	No	No	
Regional economic development effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Economic development-Stage				
Distance to the nearest bank (km)	-0.004***	-0.004***	-0.005***	
	(0.002)	(0.002)	(0.002)	
F-statistic of economic development regression	112.67	89.67	11.45	
Observations	11,634	8,532	3,421	
Panel C: Urban Sample	,	-,	•, ·_ ·	
Economic development	-3.658	-2.196	-2.642***	
	(3.654)	(0.864)	(0.965)	
	[-3.675]	[-3.954]	[-2.422]	
Household head characteristics	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Household variables	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Year economic development effects	Yes	No	No	
Regional economic development effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Economic development-Stage				
Distance to the nearest bank (km)	-0.001	-0.001	-0.007***	
	(0.001)	(0.001)	(0.002)	
F-statistic of economic development regression	0.39	2.45	11.35	
Observations	8,755	6,785	2,523	

#### TABLE 5 | Effect of economic development on energy poverty.

Variables	(1)	(2)	
	Poverty	log (household net income)	
Economic development	-0.112***	0.521***	
	(0.004)	(0.021)	
	[-0.121]	[0.171]	
Household head characteristics	Yes	Yes	
Household variables	Yes	Yes	
Year economic development effects	Yes	Yes	
Regional economic development effects	Yes	Yes	
Observations	21,763	19,542	
R-squared	0.321	0.267	

haven't altered, but they certainly should, since RE offers new hazards not present in baseload capacity plants, on which our models are built." "In the beginning, we employed distinct sets of frameworks for analysing conventional power project bids and RE project ideas," It was only through time that [our bank] was able to merge all of these different frameworks used in appraising power projects into a single one, regardless of the technology, he writes. As a result, "the assessment criteria were integrated into a single framework due to discovered overlaps." As a result, it seems that banks' sales efforts

#### **TABLE 6** | Energy efficiency Score in provinces.

Province	Energy efficiency	
Anhui	57.16167	
Jiangsu	56.52648	
Shanxi	54.25847	
Shanghai	55.41684	
Fujian	54.65284	
Hunnam	56.16524	
Zhejiang	54.15394	
Shandong	54.36941	
Yunnan	56.45874	
Jilin	55.26147	
Austria	54.95415	
Hainan	55.61478	
Guizhou	54.36145	
Guangdong	54.49452	

TABLE 7 | Effect of Economic development.

Variables	Dependent variable: Energy poverty			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	
Panel A: Main results				
Economic development inclusion	-0.071***	-0.072***	-0.063***	
	(0.004)	(0.004)	(0.004)	
	[-0.069]	[-0.087]	[-0.071]	
Poverty		0.034***		
		(0.003)		
		[0.034]		
log (household net income)			-0.039***	
, ,			(0.001)	
			[-0.123]	
Observations	21,018	21,018	19,232	
R-squared	0.245	0.246	0.278	
Panel B: Consistency check				
Economic development inclusion			-0.071***	
			(0.004)	
			[-0.089]	
Observations			21,018	
R-squared			0.242	

and quotas have been influenced more by the relentless pursuit of sustainability goals than their credit frameworks and methodologies. Ohers was interested in sustainability only as an afterthought. In recent years, some banks have lent money to renewable energy projects, while others have just a few RE loans in their portfolio. If our original premise (see is correct, banks will be more willing to fund small-scale renewable energy projects, especially merchant plants from small RE developers. Our goal is to validate this theory. The re-estimated models show that adding household net income as a economic development of multiple determination reduces the size of the economic development. Therefore, consumption poverty and family net income are key economic development-energy poverty routes.

# CONCLUSION AND POLICY IMPLICATION

Economic development has had a long-term influence on the economic development industry. But few studies have compared

it to economic development. In that context, this study examined the influence of economic development on energy efficiency, as well as the impact of poverty reduction measures. The influence of economic development on energy poverty, and energy efficiency in 17 Chinese provinces between 2007/08 and 2010/ 11 is examined. Despite several worldwide efforts to eliminate energy poverty, the issue persists, with the prevalence greater in poorer nations. The economic development-energy poverty nexus has gotten little attention despite its potential to contribute in this struggle. The few research that exist on this issue do not use a multidimensional economic development. The GLSS6 and GLSS7 data were used to assess the influence of economic development on domestic energy poverty. Endogeneity of economic development is handled through bank distance. We also examine how economic development may affect household energy poverty. We discover: (1) The need for economic expansion has hampered energy efficiency (Table 6). Each unit of economic growth pressure reduces the improvement index of energy efficiency by 3.3 percent. And it's true. No energy efficiency changes are detected when fundamental independent variables are replaced.

In model 1, more economic development inclusion reduced poverty (Table 7). So, by supplying money, the economic development sector may help reduce poverty. Moreover, the econometric analysis panel's IRF economic development revealed a favourable beginning phase followed by a negative and steady term. In model 2, economic development inclusion reduces inequality. So, the income distribution is more equal. However, the third dimension has a economic development reaction. According to the econometric estimation study, economic development inclusion has a considerable influence on energy efficiency in China. On the other hand, the second and third aspects of economic development inclusion had no effect on unemployment in model 4. The economic development feature, economic accessibility, has a influence on unemployment. The unemployment rate rises with economic development services and availability. Because a transition in the economic developmentn sector from labour-intensive to highly capital-intensive may raise ioblessness.

Overall, economic development reduces family energy poverty, and this result is robust to other quasi-experimental methodologies. It also stands up against alternate weighing methods for economic development and multifunctional energy poverty, as well as renewable power poverty cut-offs. Rural family's energy efficiency more from economic development's potential to eliminate energy poverty than urban ones. economic development also reduces energy poverty in male-headed families. Our data suggest that consumption poverty and family net income are key economic development -energy poverty pathways. Other measures aimed at increasing family net income per capita and reducing consumption poverty may support one other to successfully relieve energy poverty. Another policy option is for economic development system authorities to put in place arrangements that minimise the distance travelled to banks. This study shows a favourable association between economic

development inclusion and economic development, but a negative energy efficiency relationship with inequality and poverty. Here are some ideas for improving research contributions in economic development inclusion: Contrasting socio-cultural levels; illiteracy rates; regional interests; gender disparity; income; and government policies. For more inclusive economic development, non-economic elements must be addressed. Other measures aimed at increasing family net income per capita and reducing consumption poverty may support one other to successfully relieve energy poverty. Another policy option is for economic development system authorities to put in place arrangements that minimise the average distance to banks.

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