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If poor people knew how rich rich people are, there would be riots in the streets. We have no idea how unequal our society has become. In their paper , Michael Norton and Dan Ariely analyzed beliefs about wealth inequality. They asked more than 5, Americans to guess the percentage of wealth i. Next, they asked people to construct their ideal distributions. Imagine a pizza of all the wealth in the United States. In an ideal world, how much should they have? The reality is strikingly different. And they would like to live on a kibbutz. This all might ring a bell. An infographic video of the study went viral and has been watched more than 16 million times. In a study published last year , Norton and Sorapop Kiatpongsan used a similar approach to assess perceptions of income inequality. They asked about 55, people from 40 countries to estimate how much corporate CEOs and unskilled workers earned. Then they asked people how much CEOs and workers should earn. Fifty years ago, it was to Again, the patterns were the same for all subgroups, regardless of age, education, political affiliation, or opinion on inequality and pay. To be fair, though, we do know that something is up. Just five percent of Americans think that inequality is a major problem in need of attention. One likely reason for this is identified by a third study , published earlier this year by Shai Davidai and Thomas Gilovich that suggests that our indifference lies in a distinctly American cultural optimism. At the core of the American Dream is the belief that anyone who works hard can move up economically regardless of his or her social circumstances. Davidai and Gilovich wanted to know whether people had a realistic sense of economic mobility. The researchers found Americans overestimate the amount of upward social mobility that exists in society. Sure enough, people think that moving up is significantly more likely than it is in reality. Interestingly, poorer and politically conservative participants thought that there is more mobility than richer and liberal participants. We are a nation of haves and soon-to-haves, of people who have made it and people who will make it. We may not want to believe it, but the United States is now the most unequal of all Western nations. To make matters worse, America has considerably less social mobility than Canada and Europe. By overemphasizing individual mobility, we ignore important social determinants of success like family inheritance, social connections, and structural discrimination. Our unique brand of optimism prevents us from making any real changes. And have you read a recent peer-reviewed paper that you would like to write about? Please send suggestions to Mind Matters editor Gareth Cook. Gareth, a Pulitzer prize-winning journalist, is the series editor of Best American Infographics and can be reached at [garethideas AT gmail](mailto:garethideas@gmail.com). He primarily studies social norms around technology, health, and illness. Follow Nick on Twitter [fitznich](https://twitter.com/fitznich) Latest News.

## 2: How is Economic Inequality Defined? | The Equality Trust

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Subjects Description Recently, the issue of inequality has regained attention in economic and political debates. Although this interest is welcome, the debate is still mostly focused on income or wealth distribution, which is an important aspect but does not present a complete view of inequality. Most of the theoretical and empirical studies produced by economists concern personal income distribution or factor income distribution. This is more evident in the studies of the evolution and characteristics of contemporary capitalism and globalization. Varieties of Economic Inequality considers both theoretical perspectives and empirical evidence of aspects such as income, gender, race, technology, power, region, education and class. Ultimately, this text rejects the idea of supposed long run constant factor shares, the positive effects of inequality and the greater importance of absolute level of income compared to its unequal distribution, and instead reveals the structural inequalities that exist within societies. This book advocates a move away from the focusing on inequality at the level of the individual and suggests policy for eradicating these various forms of inequality. It is suitable for those who study political economy, social inequality as well as economic theory and philosophy. Table of Contents Introduction: Bridging theories and varieties of inequality Part I: Definitions and Approaches 1. Not just slicing the pie: The need for a broader approach to economic inequality. What causes it and how to curb it. Sebastiano Fadda, Roma Tre University 3. Class and gender during the European crisis. Economic inequality, political power and political decision-making: Empirical evidences and Policies suggestions 5. Welfare models, Inequality and economic performance during globalisation. Pasquale Tridico, Roma Tre University 6. Labour market institutions and wage inequality within education groups in Europe. Comparing inequalities in the governance of the EU. Charlie Dannreuther, University of Leeds 8. Modern technologies, modern disparities? Regional inequalities and innovations in Old and New Eu countries. A classification of school-to-work transition regimes Short running title: He teaches advanced labour economics, and economic growth. He is lecturer in labour economics and in economic policy. About the Series Routledge Advances in Heterodox Economics Over the past two decades, the intellectual agendas of heterodox economists have taken a decidedly pluralist turn. Leading thinkers have begun to move beyond the established paradigms of Austrian, feminist, Institutional-evolutionary, Marxian, Post Keynesian, radical, social, and Sraffian economics—opening up new lines of analysis, criticism, and dialogue among dissenting schools of thought. This cross-fertilization of ideas is creating a new generation of scholarship in which novel combinations of heterodox ideas are being brought to bear on important contemporary and historical problems. Routledge Advances in Heterodox Economics aims to promote this new scholarship by publishing innovative books in heterodox economic theory, policy, philosophy, intellectual history, institutional history, and pedagogy. Syntheses or critical engagement of two or more heterodox traditions are especially encouraged.

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We can watch almost any film or listen to any song at the press of a button. People pay their bills on their mobile phones. Stressed parents get to dodge trolley tantrums by swapping the supermarket run for online shopping. But, for all the convenience that new innovations afford us, what if this rise of technology is actually exacerbating inequality? There are certainly some red flags right now. The first warning signs come from financial markets where technology stocks have soared this year. The moves have fired up the tech-heavy Nasdaq index and taken it back to the giddy heights of the dotcom bubble 15 years ago. The problem is not rising share prices per se, but rather what they are telling us about the power of shareholders and the consequences in terms of what is left over to be invested in wages and innovation. This question of how the profits of technology trickle down is explored in the recent book *iDisrupted* by economist Michael Baxter and entrepreneur John Straw. Analysing the economic impact of emerging technologies, they highlight two potential agents for rising inequality. Firstly, patents, and the way they ensure that profits from innovation accrue to larger companies and their owners. Secondly, the fact more goods are being offered for free online. The problem with this is that just about the only means left to fund digital products is advertising, a sector where revenues are increasingly dominated by a handful of companies such as Google and Facebook. But at their heart lies a very long-standing tie between ownership and profits. He concludes that companies are paying out too much to shareholders when they should be investing more. Shareholders are also being put before employees, but there is nothing new there, says Haldane, citing an example from almost a century ago involving the carmaker Henry Ford. In a speech published last week, Haldane said: The court ruled that Ford owed a duty to his shareholders and ordered him to pay a special dividend. The authors of *iDisrupted* also look to Ford in their argument on the importance of profits trickling down. It may be the stuff of myths, but a century later the story provides a neat way of explaining how a rising gap between the few haves and the many have-nots could stop technological advances in their tracks. Baxter and Straw sum this up: BoE deputy governor Jon Cunliffe underscored these in a recent speech.

*Articles on econometric methodology with special reference to the quantification of poverty and economic inequality are presented in this book. Poverty and inequality measurement present special problems to the econometrician, and most of these papers analyze how to attack those problems.*

Depressed living standards for Negroes are not simply the consequences of neglect. They are a structural part of the economic system in the United States. Martin Luther King, Jr. The size of that wealth divide is sobering: The scale of investment that was required to build the white middle class is underappreciated. When the GI bill passed, segregation and white supremacy were the law of the land in many states and the de facto reality throughout the nation. So injecting massive resources into that particular status quo had the effect of intensifying a racial economic inequality that endures even today. The Reality of Racial Inequality and African Americans The Civil Rights movement of the s and s ended the legally sanctioned segregation of the South and challenged de facto segregation across the country. But as in the Reconstruction era following the Civil War, the economic aid and investment necessary for African American communities to develop wealth was denied, leaving racial inequality to endure. Today, as we look back on the legacy of the first African American president, one would hope that much of the racial inequality between African Americans and white Americans had in fact been overcome. Indeed, this is what most people in the country believed soon after the election of President Obama. According to this same poll, African Americans are much more tempered in their optimism, but optimistic nonetheless. Although only 11 percent of African Americans believe racial equality has been achieved, almost 40 percent believe it will be soon. According to the U. Census Bureau, in , Poverty among African Americans has declined from nearly 42 percent in to about 27 percent in Whether by household or per capita, African Americans do not earn even 60 percent of what white Americans earn, and this gap has barely moved in more than 40 years. Wealth inequality is another source of great concern for the nation. As noted previously, the median net worth of African American families is less than 10 percent that of white families. Census Bureau finds that from to , the real income of the poorest one-fifth of Americans decreased by 4 percent. For the middle one-fifth, real family income increased by 14 percent. For the richest 5 percent, real family income growth has increased more than 70 percent. What this trend has meant for African Americans is that nearly one-third 30 percent of the African American population saw its income decrease and another 25 percent saw only a small 6 percent increase -- in almost 30 years. Meanwhile, during this same timeframe to , six in ten whites saw more than a ten percent increase to their incomes, with two-thirds of this group seeing an increase of more than 20 percent. The richest 10 percent of Americans now owns 70 percent of the wealth. This racial wealth divide extends to communities of color beyond African Americans. In this post-civil rights era, communities of color in the United States increasingly are recent immigrants. Immigrants of color who come to this country with fewer professional skills or without an elite education become part of the large share of the population that is being left behind by the wealthiest Americans. National Asset Development Policy It was federal policy and national practice that created the racial wealth divide and it will ultimately be federal policy and national practice that will solve this problem. Just as massive federal investment was necessary to develop the white American middle class economy of the s and s, so too will it be necessary to develop an American economy that finally bridges racial economic inequality. The kind of massive-scale and sustained national policy commitment that is required will depend on strong leadership and broad-based consensus. It should be driven by a comprehensive strategic vision. But existing evidence already suggests several elements that should be included. An equity assessment reviews whether federal funds are being invested in communities that are most in need of federal assistance. A proper assessment should determine where funds go, what jobs are created, and in what communities. This information will help ensure that government funds get to working-class Americans, disenfranchised racial minorities, households with children, and communities experiencing severe economic crisis, all of whom must be at the center of the economic recovery. Equity assessments are already being used in different parts of the United States and Britain. It is important to analyze whether government spending is entrenching economic inequality or

bridging it. A regular national equity assessment can develop a clear picture of the policies that advance greater equality and opportunity in this country. Direct Federal Job Creation. For decades, much of working-class America has had a hard time finding stable employment with wages and benefits that can keep a family in the middle class, even the lower middle class. Former industrial centers have been dealing with high unemployment for years, and African American unemployment, even when at record lows, remains almost twice that of white Americans. During the most recent recession alone, the federal government spent hundreds of billions of dollars on programs to create temporary work or to stimulate private-sector employment. In *Back to Work*: The report also notes that the creation of those one million jobs would trigger a multiplier effect of about 1.5, jobs beyond the government program. Finally, bridging the racial inequality in employment must be an explicit goal of any government jobs program, as should a tracking mechanism to document whether disenfranchised minorities are being hired at a sufficient level. Currently, African Americans make up approximately 23 percent of the unemployed and Latinos approximately 20 percent. Therefore, among those who find employment from the government job program, more than 23 percent should be African Americans and more than 20 percent should be Latinos, in order to bridge racial employment inequality. The reality is that a public program to close the racial employment gap is necessary because the free market has failed to close it for more than 50 years. A common response to proposals for investing in asset development is that there are not enough funds available. Yet hundreds of billions of dollars are already routinely invested in wealth development. Effectively, federal investment in wealth development reinforces racial economic inequality among those who have very little wealth. CFED proposes a host of reforms, including using refundable tax credits rather than tax breaks to support asset development, placing caps on mortgage interest deductibility, and using direct budget outlays for asset development rather than just tinkering with the tax code since the people who find it advantageous to itemize their deductions tend to be among the wealthier citizens. In short, a first step in bridging wealth inequality is to stop spending so many federal dollars on asset development for the already-wealthy. *Back to the Future: The Twenty-First Century Freedom Budget* The policy suggestions above are but pieces of what must be a comprehensive plan to rebuild the American middle class -- and make it racially inclusive for the first time. In 1968, Black Freedom organizations joined with their allies in civil rights reform to propose a comprehensive Freedom Budget. King described two phases of the civil rights struggle: When Negroes looked for the second phase, the realization of equality, they found that many of their white allies had quietly disappeared. The second phase was a challenge to the nationwide socioeconomic inequality that helps perpetuate racial inequality to this day. The animating spirit of the Freedom Budget -- its remarkable vision at once bold in its scope and pragmatic about what it would take -- is as relevant today as it was when it was written nearly 50 years ago. It is that second phase of the civil rights struggle, for meaningful equality -- economic equality very much included -- for which the Freedom Budget provides a blueprint. And it is that second phase, that long-deferred work, which we must take up today. The increasing diversity of the United States should be something that the country can celebrate -- and it will only be so when Americans of color finally achieve the means, economic and otherwise, to pursue the dream of equal economic opportunity and prosperity.

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How is Economic Inequality Defined? While The Equality Trust recognises the importance of these measures, the focus of our work is specifically the gap between the well-off and the less well-off in the overall economic distribution. This is reflected in the choice of terms and statistics in this section. There are three main types of economic inequality: Income Inequality Income inequality is the extent to which income is distributed unevenly in a group of people. Income Income is not just the money received through pay, but all the money received from employment wages, salaries, bonuses etc. Measurement of income can be on an individual or household basis – the incomes of all the people sharing a particular household. Household income before tax that includes money received from the social security system is known as gross income. Household income including all taxes and benefits is known as net income<sup>1</sup>. Pay refers to payment from employment only. This can be on an hourly, monthly or annual basis, is typically paid weekly or monthly and may also include bonuses. Wealth Inequality Wealth refers to the total amount of assets of an individual or household. This may include financial assets, such as bonds and stocks, property and private pension rights. Wealth inequality therefore refers to the unequal distribution of assets in a group of people. How is Economic Inequality Measured? There are various ways of measuring economic inequality. The choice of measure does not change what inequality looks like dramatically<sup>2</sup>. However, changes in inequality over time within individual countries can look different if different measures are used<sup>3,4</sup>. Commonly used measures of economic inequality: Gini Coefficient The Gini coefficient measures inequality across the whole of society rather than simply comparing different income groups. If all the income went to a single person maximum inequality and everyone else got nothing, the Gini coefficient would be equal to 1. If income was shared equally, and everyone got exactly the same, the Gini would equal 0. The lower the Gini value, the more equal a society. Most OECD countries have a coefficient lower than 1. The UK, a fairly unequal society, scores 0. In contrast, Denmark, a much more equal society, scores 0. The Gini coefficient can measure inequality before or after tax and before or after housing costs. The Gini will change depending on what is measured. Ratio Measures Ratio measures compare how much people at one level of the income distribution have compared to people at another. For instance, the In very unequal societies, the ratio may be as large as 7. The UK Palma ratio is 1. The Palma ratio is commonly used in international development discourse. What is Poverty and How is it Different to Inequality? People in poverty are those who are considerably worse-off than the majority of the population. Their level of deprivation means they are unable to access goods and services that most people consider necessary to an acceptable standard of living<sup>8</sup>. It can be an absolute term, referring to a level of deprivation that does not change over time, or a relative term in which the definition fluctuates in line with changes in the general living standard. The most commonly used definition of poverty in the UK is a relative measure: This is one of the agreed international measures used throughout the European Union. Inequality, by contrast, is always a relative term: In practice, poverty and inequality often rise and fall together but this need not necessarily be the case. Inequality can be high in a society without high levels of poverty due to a large difference between the top and the middle of the income spectrum. The section mainly uses gross household income. Where tax has been taken into account the graph will specifically state that it is looking at net income rather than gross. Gross is mainly used as this is the predominant focus in the economic inequality literature which is discussed elsewhere on the The Equality Trust guide to inequality.

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*Economic inequality is the difference found in various measures of economic well-being among individuals in a group, among groups in a population, or among countries.*

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