

# American Economic Inequality and Immobility and Its Impacts on Society

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## Introduction

### Inequality By the Numbers

- The top 0.1% earn more than **184 times** the income of the bottom 90%
- The U.S. scores a .42 on the Gini coefficient (or index) which quantifies the level of inequality in countries around the world, **indicating higher levels of inequality than in all other industrialized nations**, which tend to average closer to .30  
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