
American's Widening Income Gap

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Changes in Average Annual Real
After-Tax and After-Transfer
Income Per Earner Since 1970

(In 2018 dollars, for poorest and
wealthiest Americans)

	Bottom 50%	Top 1%	Top .01%
1970	\$19,640	\$328,816	\$3,689,308
1980	22,043	368,189	4,139,295
1990	22,468	614,184	8,176,832
2000	26,380	886,682	14,141,155
2010	25,969	1,044,445	23,706,233
2018	27,642	1,152,232	24,178,499

Source: Gabriel Zucman, Emmanuel Saez,
Greg Sargent, *Washington Post*, December 9,
2019.