

About Inequality.org

Inequality.org has been tracking inequality-related news and views for nearly two decades.

Our focus throughout: What can we do to narrow the staggering economic inequality that so afflicts us in almost every aspect of our lives?

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Stakeholder(s):

Institute for Policy Studies :

A project of the Institute for Policy Studies since 2011, our site aims to provide information and insights for readers ranging from educators and journalists to activists and policy makers.

Educators

Journalists

Activists

Policy Makers

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Vision

Economic inequality is narrowed

Mission

To track inequality-related news and views

Values

Economic Equality

Information & Insights

Provide information and insights

1. Research

Produce research that is useful for social movements in the fight against rising inequality.

2. Books

Publish books

3. Policy

Create and implement public policy to address inequality

Our team works to create and implement public policy at the state, local, and international level to address inequality. We are in service to social movements that drive these policy priorities on behalf of broad coalitions. We work on wide range of initiatives in which we have developed experience and expertise. Here is a short description of the issues we're working on right now:

Stakeholder(s):

State Governments

International Agencies

Local Governments

3.1. Compensation

Reform CEO compensation

Closing the Gap between CEO and Average Worker Pay ~ For over two decades, IPS has been a recognized leader in CEO compensation reform. We research the negative consequences of CEO to average worker pay disparities and promote national, state and local reforms to rein in runaway CEO pay. This includes our annual Executive Excess report.

Stakeholder(s):

CEOs

Workers

3.2. Estate & Wealth Taxation

Promote public policies that reduce the concentration of wealth and power

Defend and Expand Estate and Wealth Taxation ~ We promote public policies that reduce the concentration of wealth and power, including estate, gift and wealth taxation. We coordinate the Americans for a Fair Estate Tax, a national coalition defending the estate tax and promoting progressive reforms. We assist state campaigns to defend or institute state-level estate and wealth taxation.

Stakeholder(s):

Americans for a Fair Estate Tax

3.3. State & Local Policies

Institute public policies to reduce inequality

State and Local Policy Initiatives ~ We consult with state and local policy advocates and elected officials to institute public policies to reduce inequality, including CEO-worker pay ordinances and progressive tax and revenue initiatives. This includes policy research, expert testimony, and communications assistance.

3.4. Hidden Wealth

Increase transparency and discourage hidden wealth practices

Hidden Wealth Working Group ~ Wealthy individuals and corporations are hiding trillions in wealth in offshore accounts and opaque trusts, making it challenging to reverse inequality. Private wealth managers and family offices enable this sequestering of wealth, placing it outside of accountability and taxation. The working group includes researchers and campaigners identifying pressure points to increase transparency and discourage hidden wealth practices.

Stakeholder(s):

**Wealthy Individuals
Corporations**

**Private Wealth Managers
Family Offices**

3.5. Economic Inequalities

Illuminate the interaction between race, caste, and class in perpetuating social and economic inequalities

Racial Economic Divide ~ We illuminate the interaction between race, caste, and class in perpetuating social and economic inequalities. With national partners, we are publishing research reports and promoting public policies to address the racial dimensions of income and wealth inequality.

3.6. Black Workers

Expanding opportunities for black worker organizing

Black Worker Initiative ~ Black workers have been particularly hard hit by the rising tide of inequality in today's economy. The Initiative supports the historic and contemporary aims of the labor and civil rights movements by expanding opportunities for black worker organizing, and thereby greatly contributing to the revitalization of the U.S. labor movement as a whole.

Stakeholder(s):

Black Workers

3.7. Economy

Speed the transition from an economy marked by excessive corporate power to an equitable and sustainable economic model

The Global Economy Project ~ We work to speed the transition from an economy marked by excessive corporate power to an equitable and sustainable economic model. Through researching and critiquing corporate-driven trade, finance, and investment policies, the project exposes the systems that empower the already wealthy to protect and expand their wealth.

3.8. Philanthropy

Promote philanthropic reforms to encourage broader giving and democratic decision-making in the charitable sector

Top Heavy Philanthropy Reform ~ As inequality grows, so does the concentration of wealth in private philanthropy, donor advised funds, and charitable foundations. We publish research about the perils of top heavy philanthropy and promote philanthropic reforms to encourage broader giving and democratic decision-making in the charitable sector.

Stakeholder(s):

Charitable Sector

Foundations

Donor Advised Funds

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