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Average Household Income (Post-Tax), 1979–2007


Gini Index
The Gini index measures the degree of inequality in the distribution of family income in a country. The lower a country’s Gini index, the more equal its income distribution; the higher the index, the greater the level of income inequality.

Source: Congresssional Budget Office

Source: Economic Policy Institute analysis of U.S. Census Bureau data

Gini Index

Legend

Source: CIA World Factbook