

# In search of smoking guns: What makes income inequality vary over time in different countries?

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## Description

Information about GDP per capita; GDP growth; total public expenditure as percent of GDP; percent public consumption; gini coefficient for equivalent disposable income; percent imports from developing countries; inflation; percent social security transfers; percent unionized; percent unemployed; female labor force participation rate; percent employed in industry; percent employed in agriculture; percent employed in service sector; percent of population aged 0-14 years; percent of population aged 15-64 years; percent of population aged 65 years or more for 16 industrialized countries during the period 1966-1994.

Purpose:

Find the reason to why income distribution change in industrialized countries.

## Data contains personal data

No

## Language

[Swedish](#)

## Unit of analysis

[Geographic unit](#)

## Population

Industrialized countries

## Time Method

## [Time series](#)

### **Time period(s) investigated**

1966 - 1994

### **Variables**

24

### **Number of individuals/objects**

89

### **Data format / data structure**

[Numeric](#)

### **Geographic spread**

Geographic location: [Sweden](#), [Australia](#), [Belgium](#), [Denmark](#), [Finland](#), [France](#), [Italy](#), [Canada](#), [Netherlands](#), [Norway](#), [New Zealand](#), [Poland](#), [Spain](#), [United Kingdom](#), [Germany](#), [United States](#)

### **Lowest geographic unit**

Country

### **Responsible department/unit**

Department of Social Work

### **Funding**

- Funding agency: Swedish Council for Social Research

### **Research area**

[Social sciences](#) (Standard för svensk indelning av forskningsämnen 2011)

[Economics](#) (Standard för svensk indelning av forskningsämnen 2011)

[Economic conditions and indicators](#) (CESSDA Topic Classification)

### **Keywords**

[Developing countries](#), [Public expenditure](#), [Unemployment](#), [Trade union membership](#), [Economic conditions](#), [Gross domestic product](#), [Social security](#), [Inflation](#), [Age distribution](#), [Exports and imports](#), [Working women](#)

### **Publications**

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