

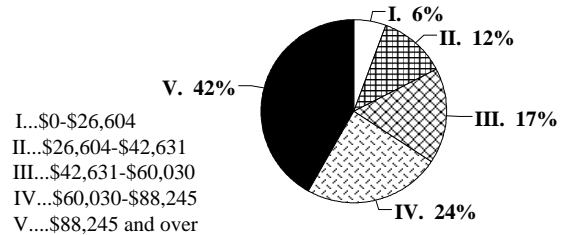
# WASHINGTON

## Income Inequality Among Families In Washington Has Increased Since the 1970s

### Income Gaps, Late 1990s

	Rank (1 is most unequal)
Richest fifth vs. poorest fifth	31
Richest fifth vs. middle fifth	35

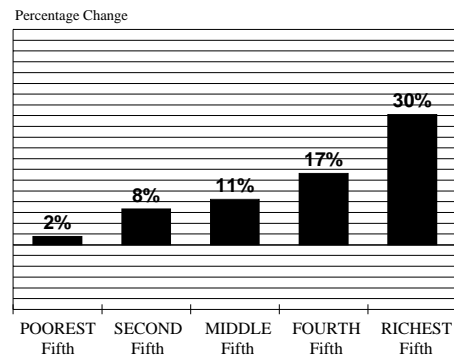
### Share of Income Held by Each Income Fifth, Late 1990s



### Inflation-Adjusted Change in Incomes Late 1970s to Late 1990s

	Dollar Change	% Change
Poorest Fifth . . .	\$280	2%
Middle Fifth . . . .	\$4,930*	11%
Richest Fifth . . . .	\$32,190*	30%

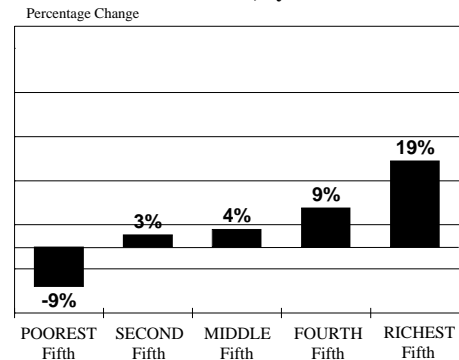
### Income Change for Washington Families Late 1970s to Late 1990s, by Fifth of Families



### Inflation-Adjusted Change in Incomes Late 1980s to Late 1990s

	Dollar Change	% Change
Poorest Fifth . . .	-\$1,480*	-9%
Middle Fifth . . . .	\$1,980*	4%
Richest Fifth . . . .	\$22,650*	19%

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\* Change is statistically significant at the 95 percent level of confidence. No statistical significance test was conducted for percentage changes.

Source: Economic Policy Institute/Center on Budget and Policy Priorities