

INCOME CHANGES IN METRO ATLANTA April 2015



Change in neighborhood income between 1970 and 2010



From 1970 to 2010, the wealthiest neighborhoods generally cluster in northern parts of the region....

Average Family Income 1970

Average Family Income 2009-2013



Neighborhood income distribution: Then and now



In 1970, roughly 17 percent of the total family income in the region went to the poorest 20% of neighborhoods. Today, only six percent of income goes to the poorest 20%. So it isn't necessarily that rich neighborhoods got richer, it's that poor neighborhoods got much poorer

For more information, especially on income inequality...

The Equality of Opportunity Project	This explores the likelihood that a child born to parents at the lower rung of income can climb to a higher rung.	the bottom on this measure
Brookings Institution	Brookings uses the 95/20 ratio to explore income inequality. This analyzes the gap between incomes at the 95th percentile versus the 20th percentile.	The city has the highest income inequality on this measure
<u>Georgia State University</u>	GSU's Center for State and Local Finance augmented Brookings' analysis by extending the 95/20 concept to the larger metro area.	metro Atlanta as a whole, however, doesn't have high levels of income inequality

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