

Inequality

Despite a number of traditional policy and legislative attempts to reduce inequality in the United States, far too many individuals are adversely affected by racial inequality, segregation, economic and wealth inequality, gender disparities, and other systemic barriers that prevent individuals from reaching their full potential. The Price Center conducts a wide range of research to address inequality across multiple spaces and policy areas in the United States and abroad.

RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- [Examining the Complex Social Safety Net For Low-Income Working Families: How Benefits and Resources Respond to Increases in Wages](#) (2021)

Soledad de Gregorio, Rebecca Smith, Gary Painter, and Molly Creighton

This report seeks to understand the total resources low-income working families in Los Angeles have available and identify the threshold points where the safety net may actually become a barrier towards economic independence — a benefits cliff, where an increase in earnings leaves a family worse off, or a resource plateau, where such an increase leaves a family no better off in terms of the total resources available to them.

- [Tax Equality for Immigrants: The Indispensable Ingredient for Remedying Child Poverty in the United States](#) (2021)

Roberto Suro and Hannah Findling

This report examines the unequal treatment of citizens and non-citizens in the US tax system and how that impacts the lives of immigrant families and plans to combat child poverty.

- [The Latino/a Scorecard: A Policy Roadmap for Transforming Los Angeles](#) (2021)

Victoria Ciudad-Real, Karla Fernandez, Molly Creighton, Caroline Bhalla, Peter Griffin, and Gary Painter

The Latino/a Scorecard Report answers a series of critical questions about the opportunities and challenges facing Latino/as in Los Angeles County and establishes a grade/score in different focus areas. The Scorecard uplifts the assets that Latino/as bring to the county as well as highlight opportunity gaps that have acted as barriers that prevent Latino/a communities from fully thriving.

- [Dreams of the Overworked: Living, Working, and Parenting in the Digital Age](#) (2020)

Christine M. Beckman and Melissa Mazmanian

This book is an ethnographic account of working parents' efforts to be ideal workers, perfect parents, and ultimate bodies. The book highlights how technology intensifies these myths of perfection, celebrates the people who actually do the work of scaffolding the dreams of those around them, and reveals the hidden sources of gender inequality in everyday life.

“At the Price Center, we conduct research on a variety of issues related to inequality, including gender inequality in the workplace, inequities in education, and racial disparities across numerous institutions and outcomes.”

—Dr. Christine Beckman
 Associate Director of Price Center for Social Innovation and
 Price Family Chair in Social Innovation.

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