

STRATIFICATION

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MECHANISMS OF STRATIFICATION

- Massey identifies two basic mechanisms that create and perpetuate stratification: exploitation and opportunity hoarding.
- Exploitation "occurs when people in one social group expropriate a resource produced by members of another social group and prevent them from realizing the full value of their effort in producing it."
- Opportunity hoarding "occurs when one social group restricts access to a scarce resource" through "a socially defined process of exclusion."

