

**Take Home Exam:**

**Length:** Maximum of eight typed double-spaced pages (12 pt New Times Font).

**Posted:** October 19, 2018.

**Due:** November 6, 2018. Hard copy in class

**Weight:** 25 percent of your final grade.

**Sources:** Must use a minimum of five sources. Only material from the course is acceptable (readings, films, lectures, additional readings, documents posted to beachboard & etc).

**Citation:** Cite sources directly in the text, e.g., (Carnoy, p. 129); (Not Just a Paycheck); (Political Transformation PPT, slide 6); there is no need for a bibliography.

**Prompt:** Using material from the courses, describe, analyze, and explain the following three graphs/figures as they relate to the transformation of U.S. since 1970.

1) *Describe* what the data tell us about the transformation of the U.S. society.

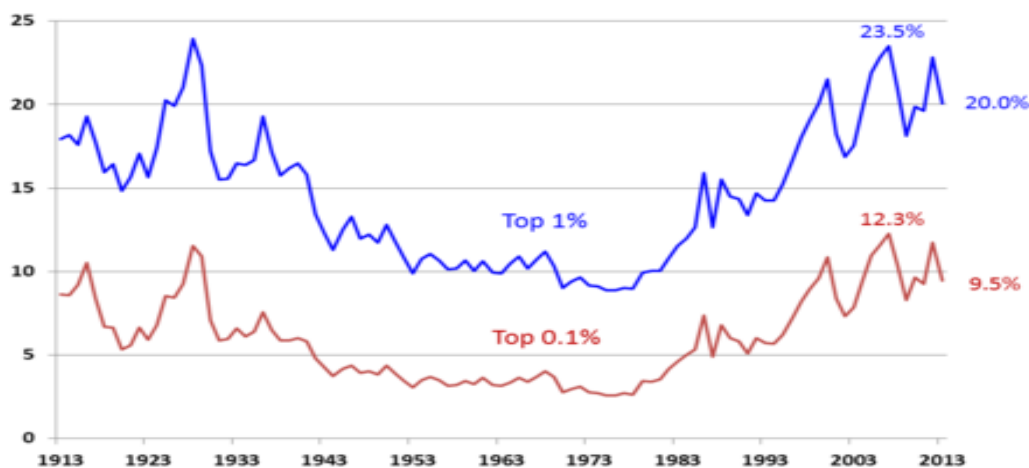
2) *Explain why* these changes are happening.

A) Discuss how these trends are connected to changes in philosophy/ideology, economic strategy, political policies, culture, and etc.

B) Don't just identify the causes, analyze; show how the cause(s) you identify are connected to the changes you describe; use evidence (i.e. data) & examples to illustrate the cause and effect connections.

Questions? Please ask.

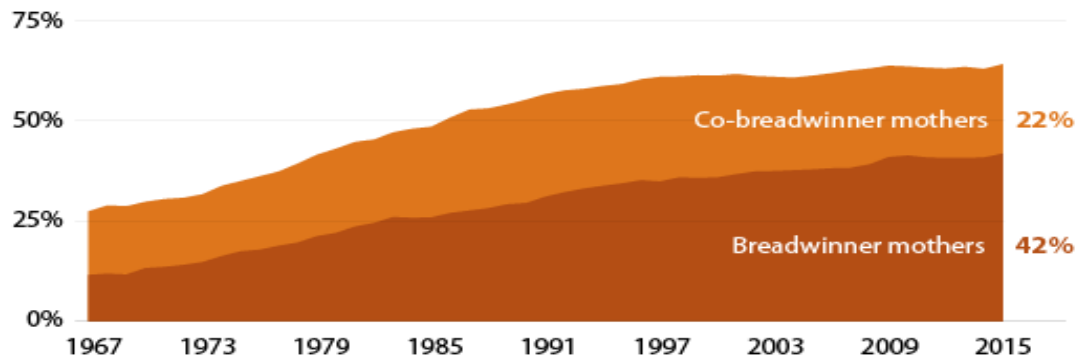
**I) Share of Total Income Going to the Top 1.0% & 0.1% Households (1913-2013)**



Source: Piketty & Saez

Note with this graph, you do not have to discuss both percentage groups.

## II) Share of mothers who are breadwinners or co-breadwinners

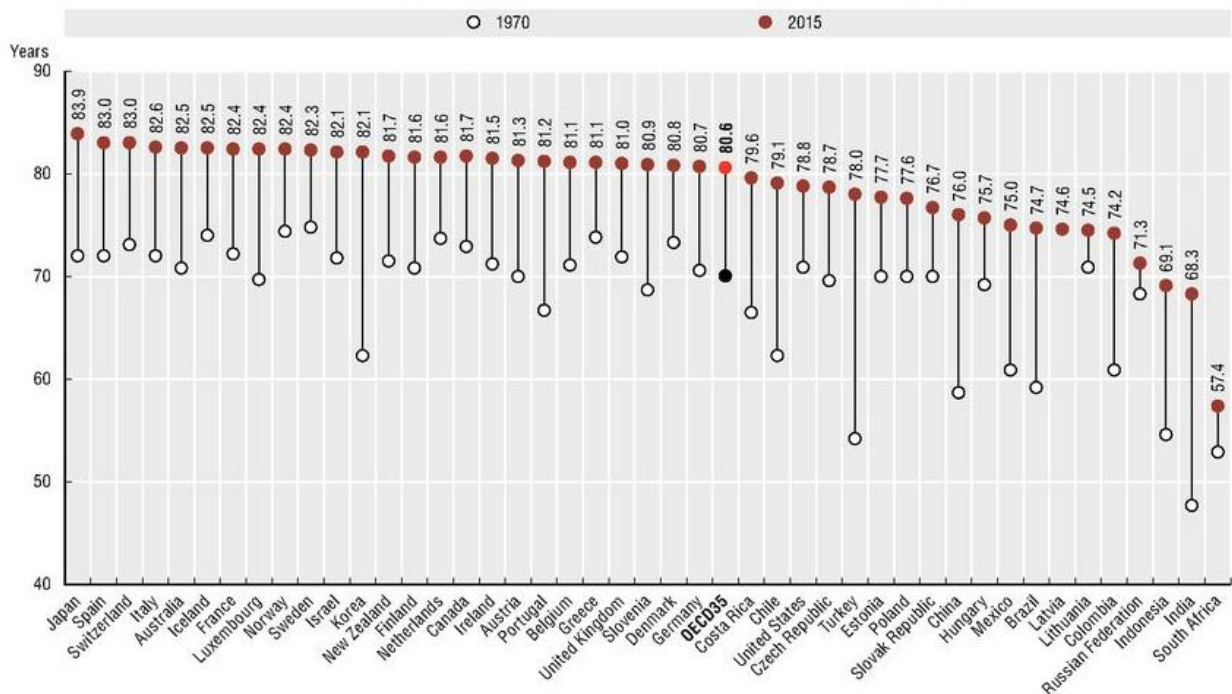


Source: Author's and Jeff Chapman's analysis of Miriam King and others, "Integrated Public Use Microdata Series, Current Population Survey: Version 3.0," available at <https://cps.ipums.org/cps/> (last accessed November 2016).



**Note:** Breadwinner mothers include single mothers who work and married mothers who earn as much or more than their husbands. Co-breadwinners include breadwinners as well as wives who bring home at least 25 percent of the couple's earnings. The data only include families with a mother who is between the ages of 18 and 60 and who has children under age 18 living with her.

## III) Life Expectancy at Birth, 1970 and 2015.



Source: OECD: Health at a Glance, 2017