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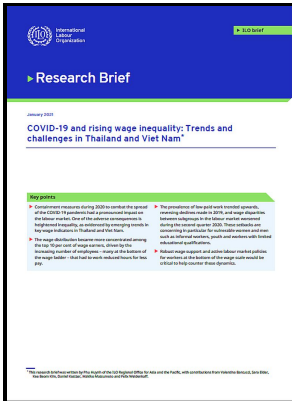
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Third, although market income inequality declined during the recovery and boom of the 1980s from 1983 to 1989, inequality continued to rise during the latter half of the 1990s, a period of strong economic growth. Comments that violate our community guidelines will not be posted. In 2011 for instance, two-thirds of the 28 percent reduction in the market income Gini coefficient attributed to the tax-and-transfer system was due to transfers.

## Income inequality in Canada: What's the problem?

It estimates that the 2-point increase in the Gini coefficient of inequality across 19 countries between 1985 and 2005 served to undercut cumulative growth by 4. We used the same definition of the comparison group in 2000, 2005 and 2010 to maintain comparability among years. As we have seen, poverty in Canada tends to be a transitory state for most individuals, although, of course, it is much more persistent for a non-negligible number of vulnerable individuals.

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Nor is the point that the poor are not worse off. This can be seen in the earnings data; university-educated recent immigrants earn much less than their Canadian-born counterparts, and not much more than those with a high school education, on average. Open Canada is an online magazine published by the Canadian International Council that aims to engage Canadians from all walks of life in a conversation about foreign policy and international affairs.

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In interpreting these findings and relating them to other measures of income inequality, it is important to keep in mind the difference between how Beach defines his three earnings groups and definitions based on percentiles of the market income distribution, such as those employed by Heisz and Lemieux and Riddell.

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