

0 Question: Is it possible that wages went up from 1950 to 1960, but went down for both men and women? Assume that the proportion of men to women can change. (This is not a historical example.)

A1: Yes, it is possible

A2: It's unclear

Arguments for A1

2 Question: Could men start out making so much more than women so that if the number of men increased but the wages for both decreased slightly, then the overall wages would increase on average?

A1: Yes

A2: Probably, it's not entirely clear

4 Question: Given a population of 1 man making \$100 and 2 women making \$1 (just as example), if it changes to 2 men making \$90 and 1 woman making \$0.50, did the average wages increase?

A1: Yes

A2: Probably, it's not entirely clear

Arguments for A2

1 Question: Is the overall change in wages an average of the change in wages for men and for women?

A1: No, you have to calculate the change from the entire population

A2: Yes

3 Question: Is it possible for the average of two negative things to be positive?

A1: No, but this is not what is occurring here

A2: No

23 Question: Meta-debate: Given the questions and answers in this round, which is the better answer to the question?

A1: Yes, it is possible

A2: The answers draw