

Graphs and Tables to
More Misuse of Wage Data in *Monthly Review*:
The Overaccumulation of a Surplus of Errors

Figure 1. Total Compensation of All Employees as a Percentage of GDP

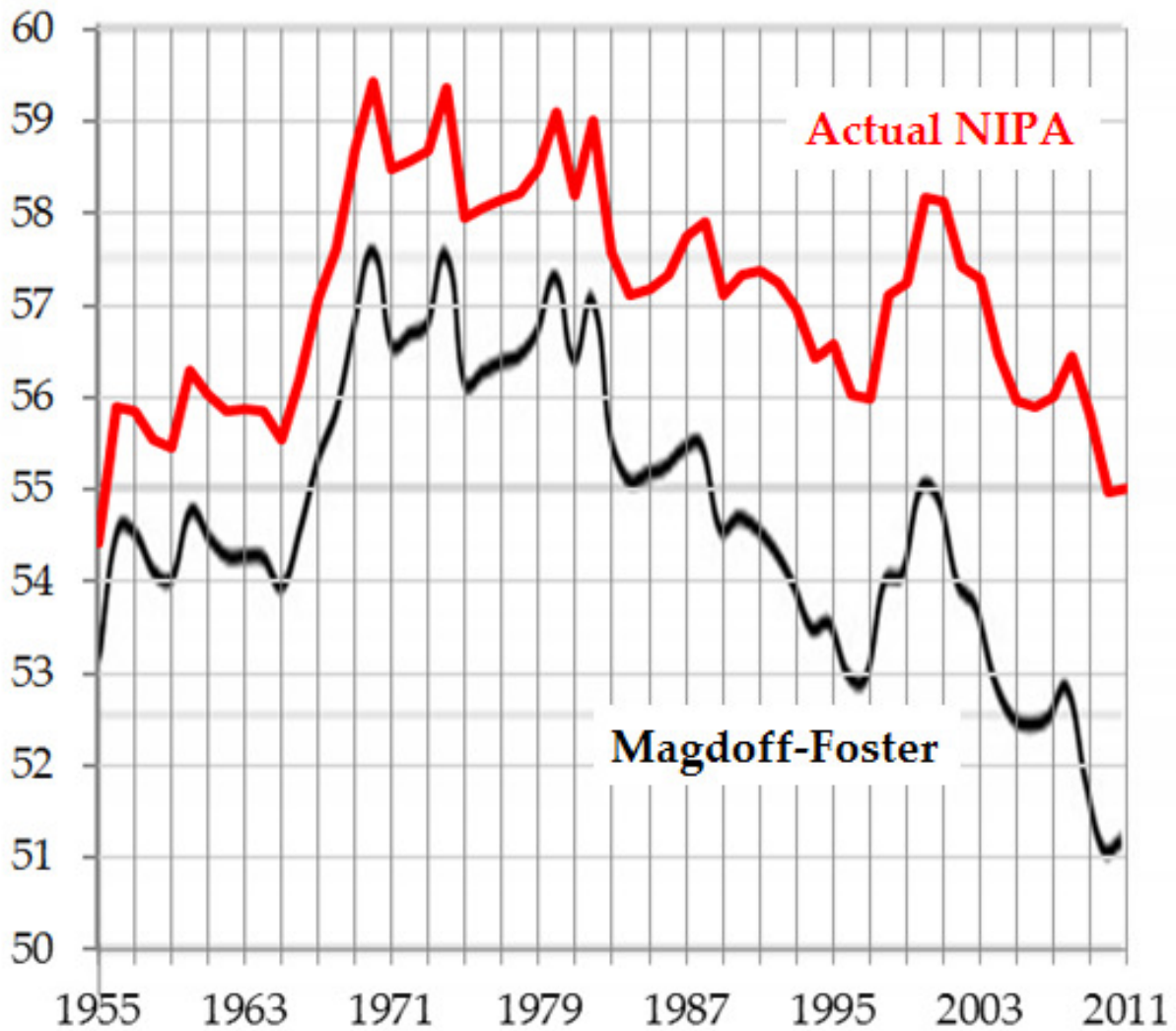


Figure 2. Compensation and Profit Shares of Corporations' Gross Value Added

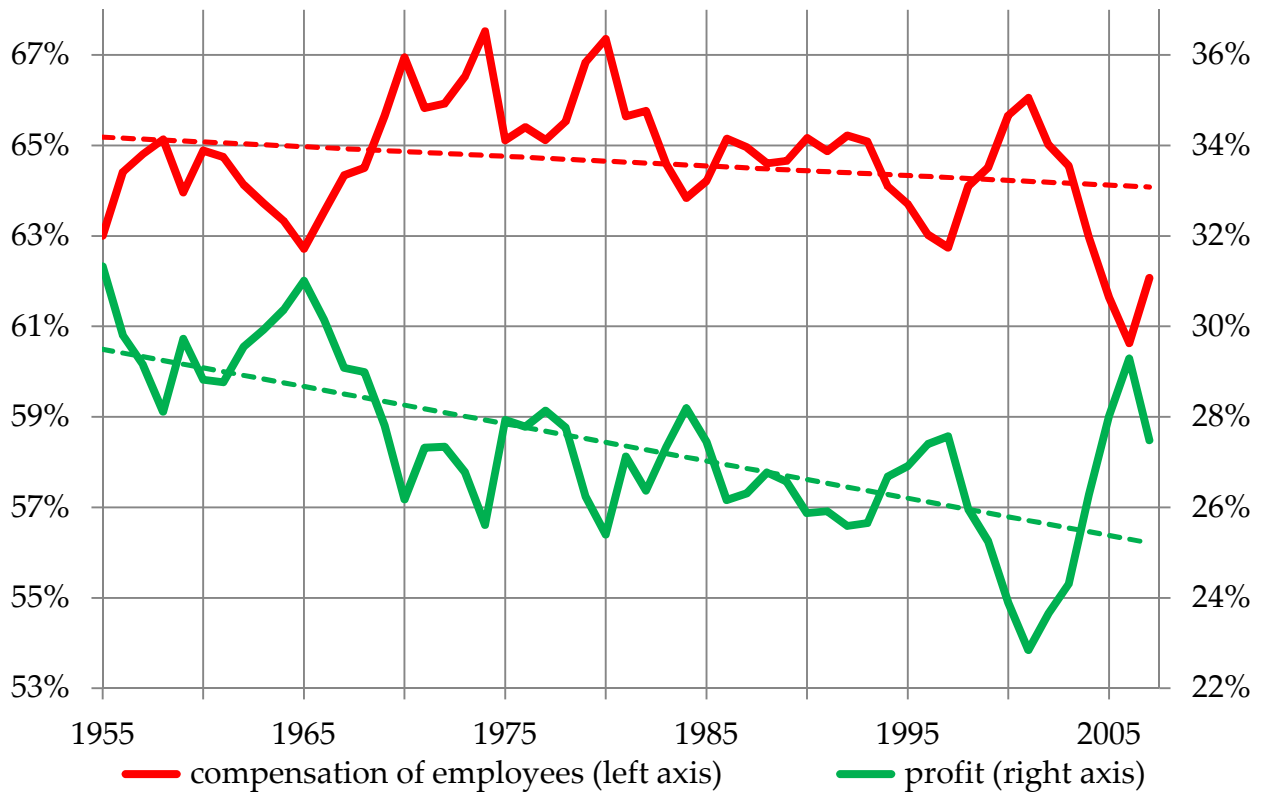


Figure 3. Compensation and Profit Shares of Corporations' Net Value Added, 1955–2007

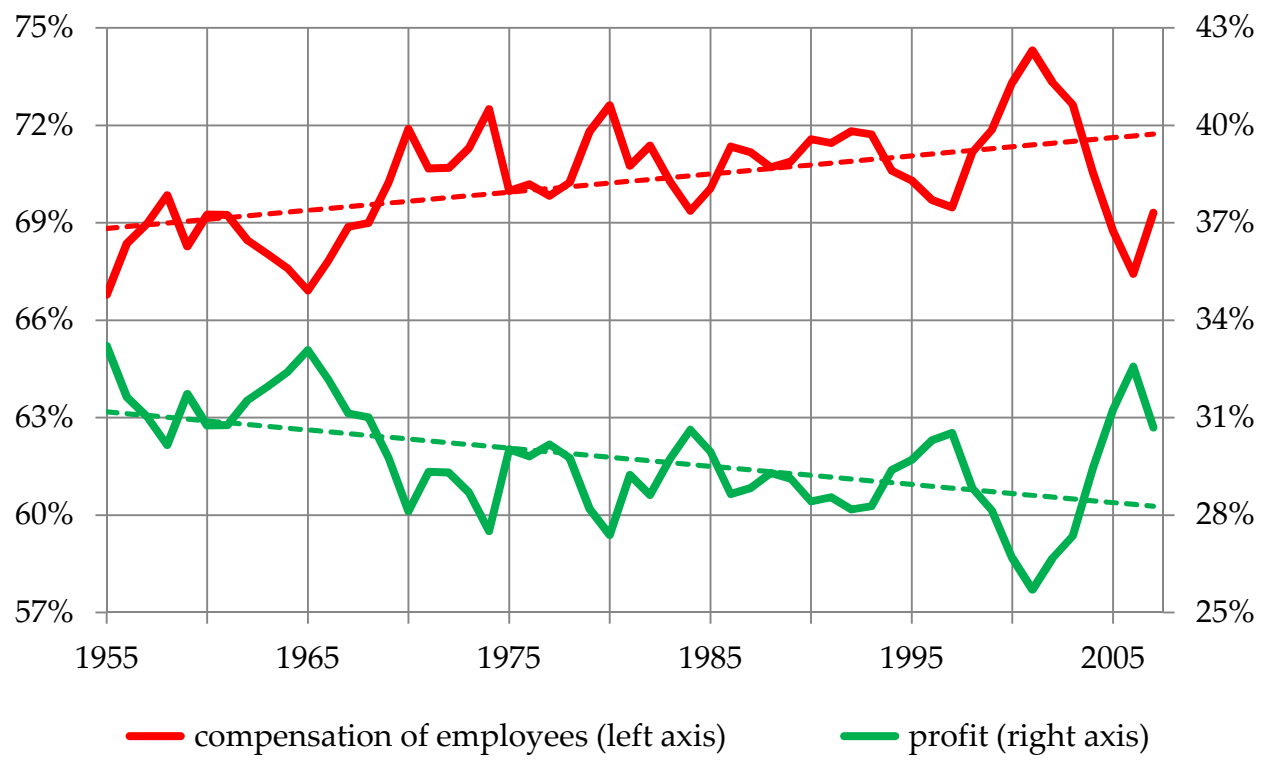


Figure 4. Compensation and Profit Shares of Corporations' Net Value Added, 1970–2007

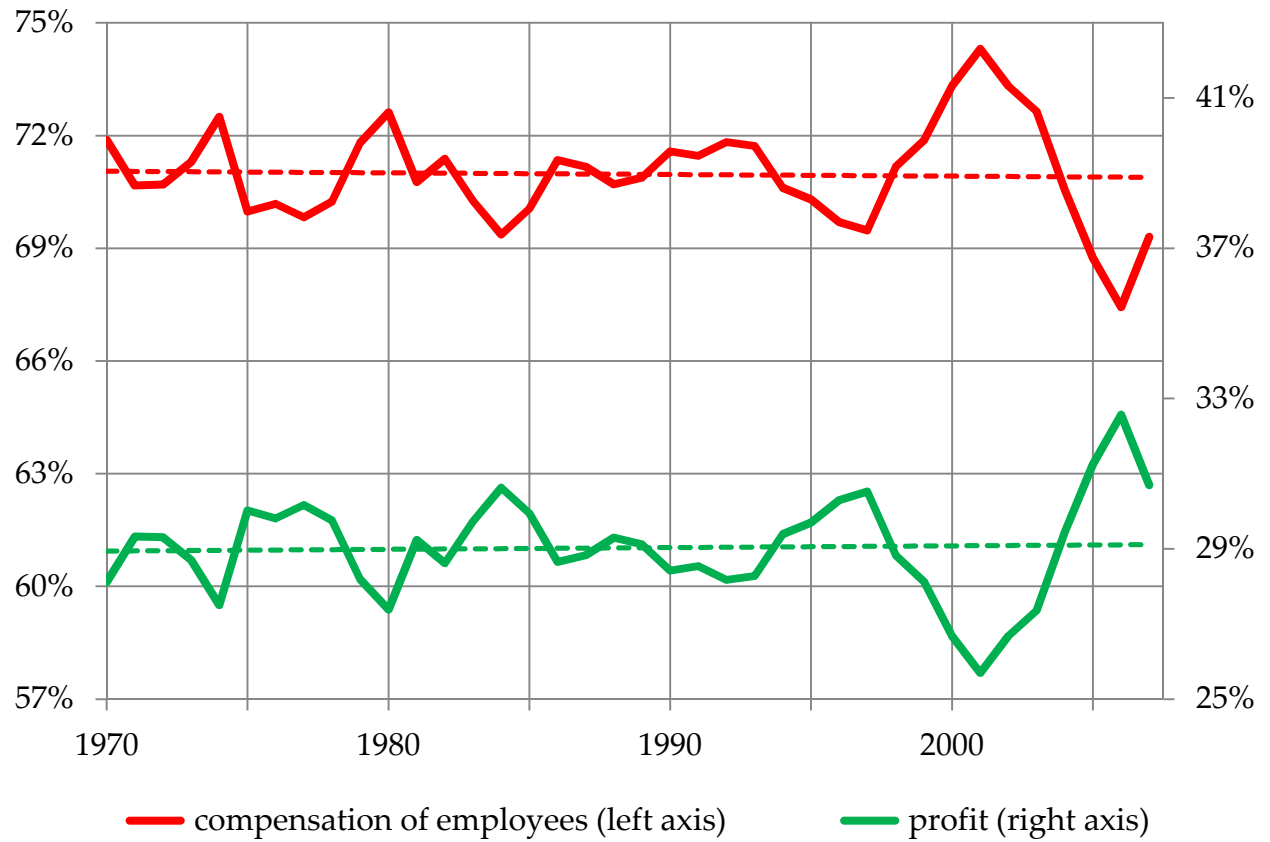


Figure 5. Compensation Share of Net Value Added, Corporate and Total Business Sectors, 1970–2007

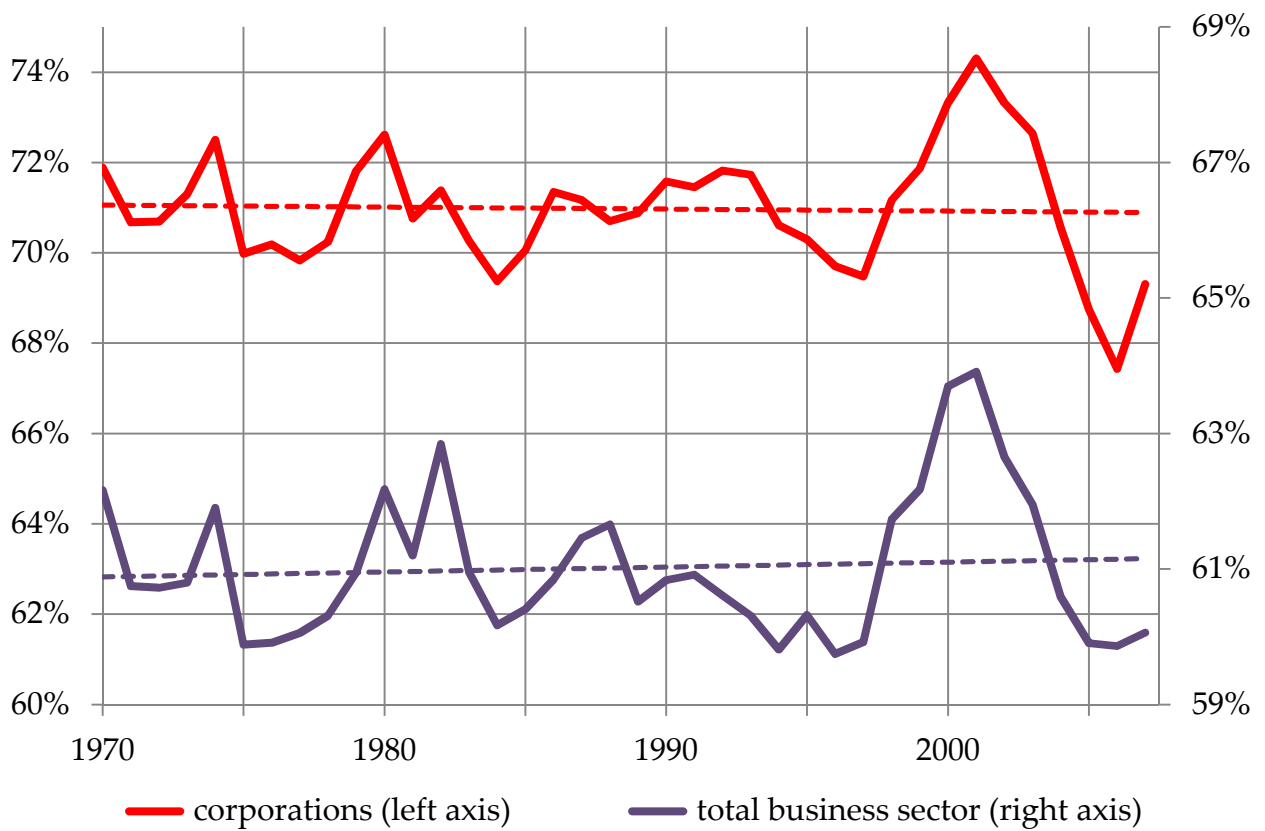


Figure 6. Working-Class and Property Owners' Personal Income (percentages of Net Domestic Product)

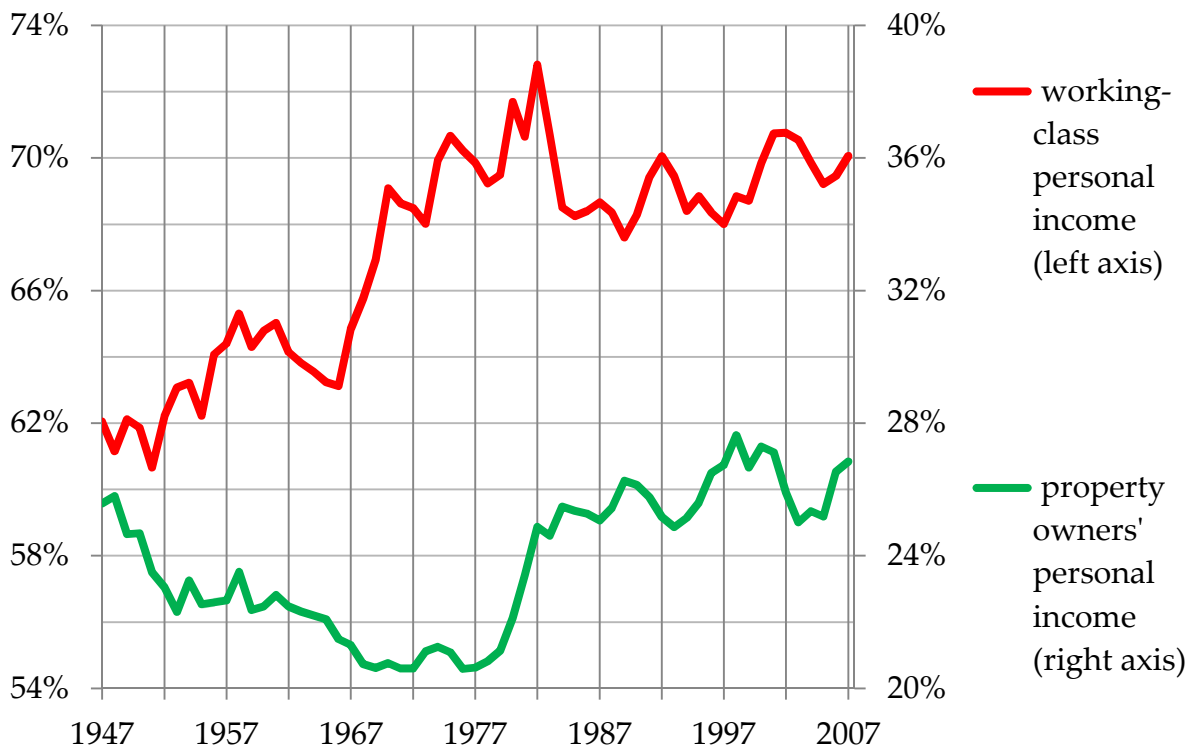


Figure 7. How to Turn 67% into 55%

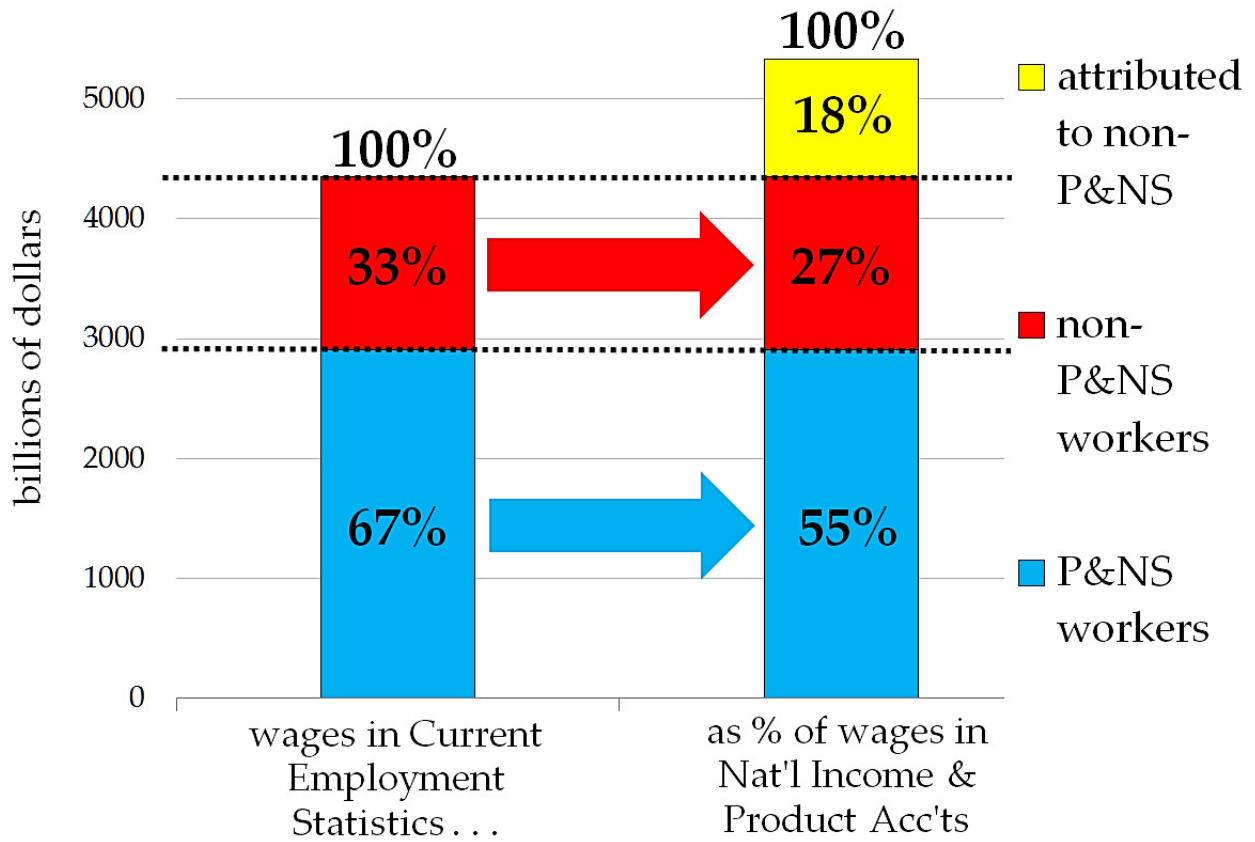


Table 1. Simulated Changes in Shares of Wages and Output, Top 10% of Managers

Original average wage rate (multiple of overall avg. wage rate)	0	1	2	3	4	5	5.5
Percentage-point rise through 2007							
in share of total wages	2.46	2.02	1.57	1.12	0.68	0.23	0.00
in share of total net output	1.50	1.23	0.96	0.68	0.41	0.14	0.00

Figure 8. Wages and Salaries as a Percentage of Total Compensation, Total U.S. Economy

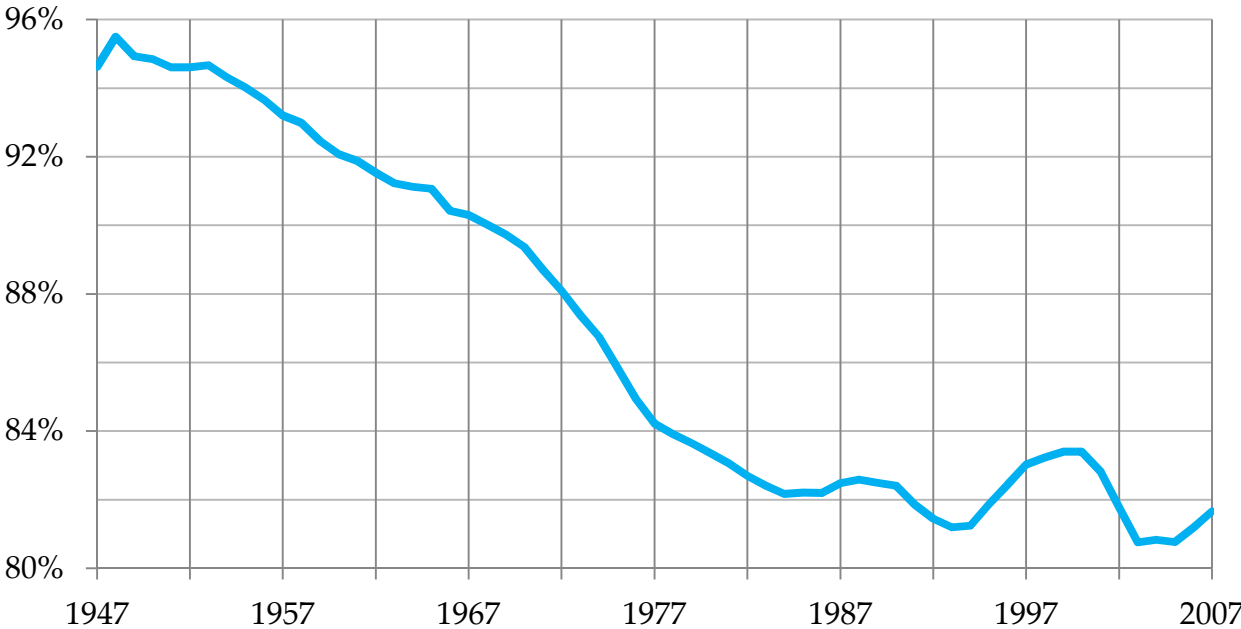


Figure 9. Poverty Rates of People by Age

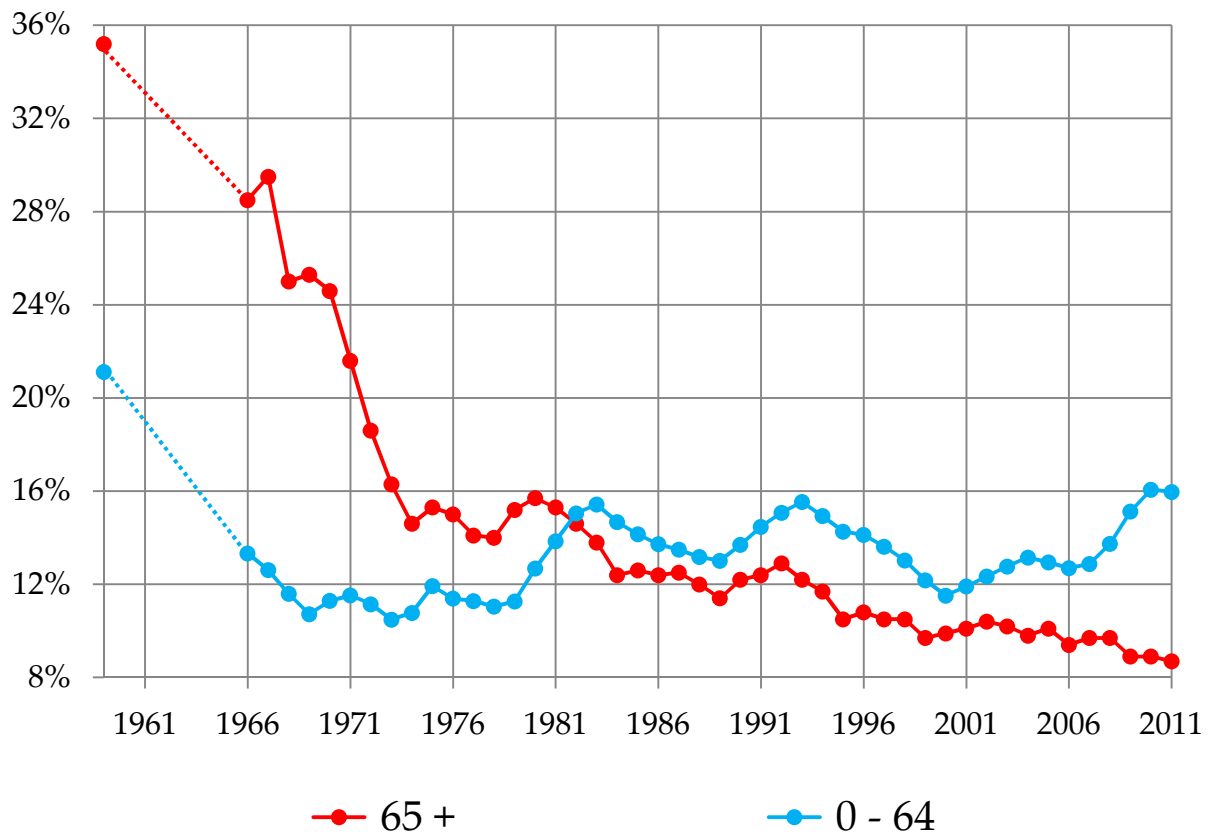


Figure 10. Real Median Household Income, by Age of Householder, 1967–2010
 (cumulative percentage change in money income, adjusted by CPI-U-RS, since 1967)

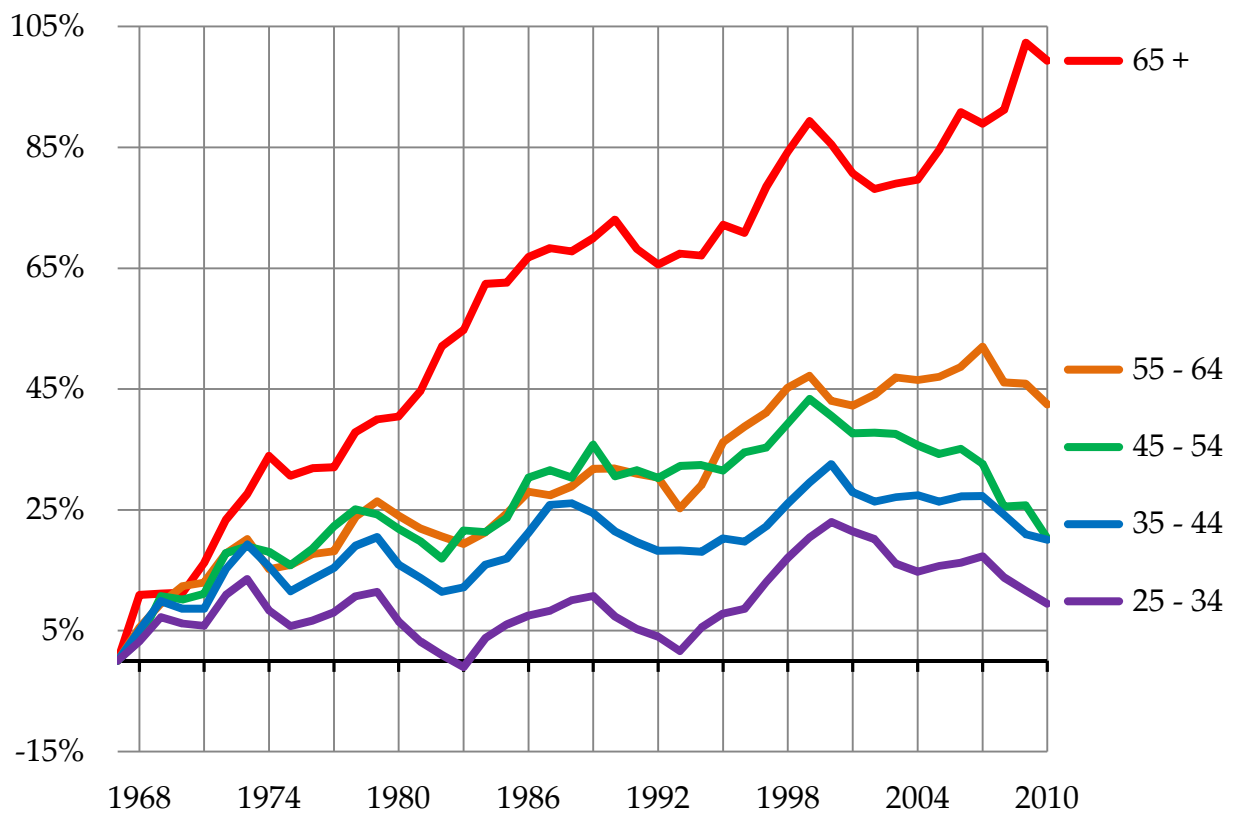


Figure 11. Retired Workers' Real Average Monthly Social Security Benefit

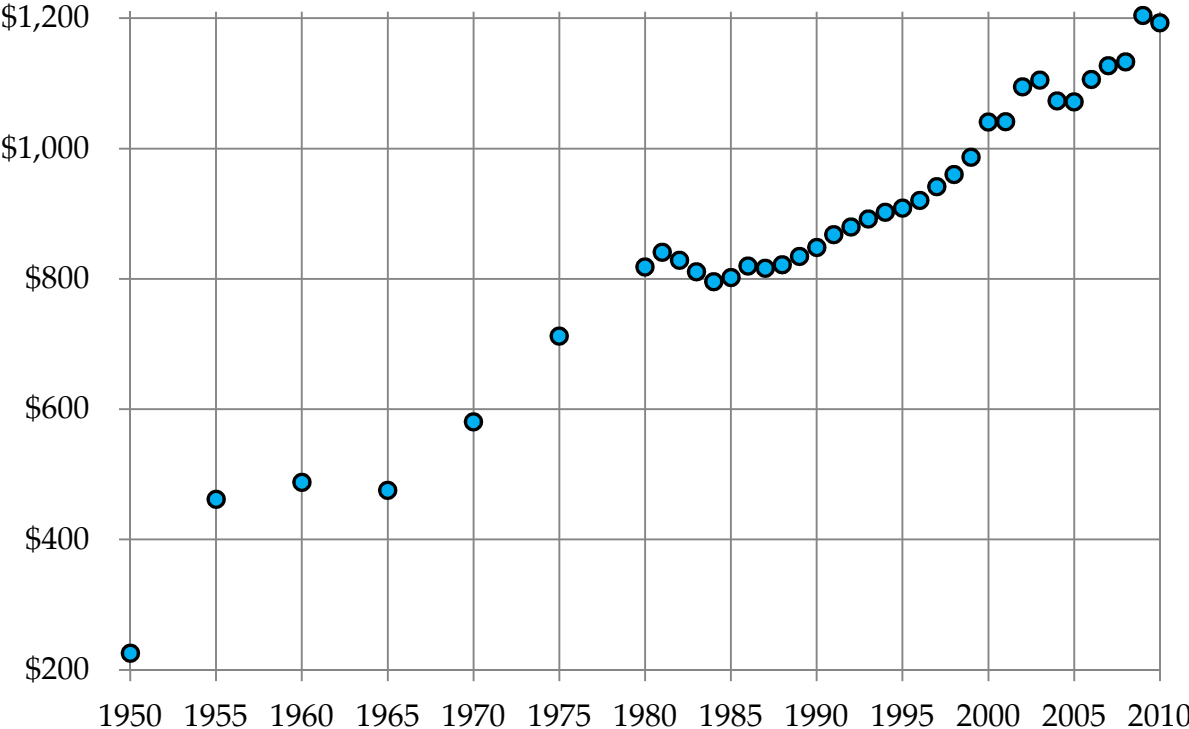


Figure 12. Women's Real Median Usual Weekly Earnings
(Cumulative percentage changes since 1979. Data are for full-time wage & salary workers.)

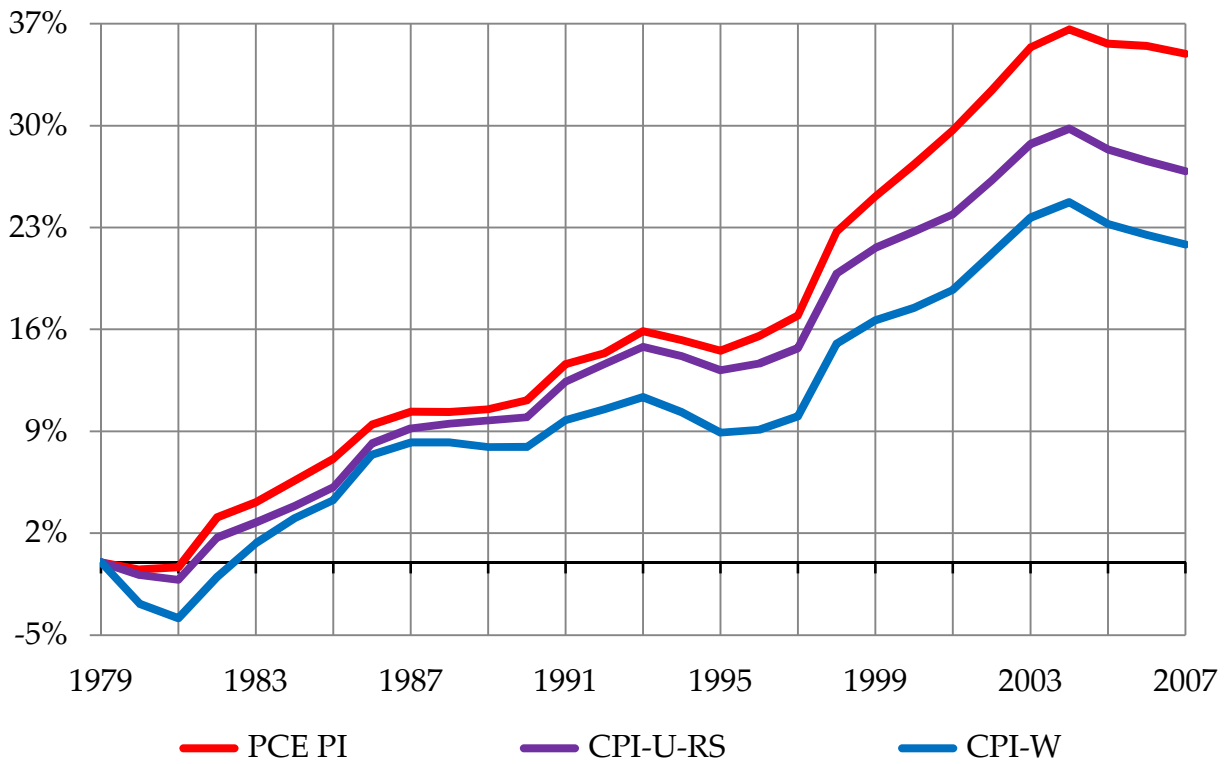


Figure 13. Real Median Hourly Wage Growth, by Sex and Educational Attainment, 1979-2009

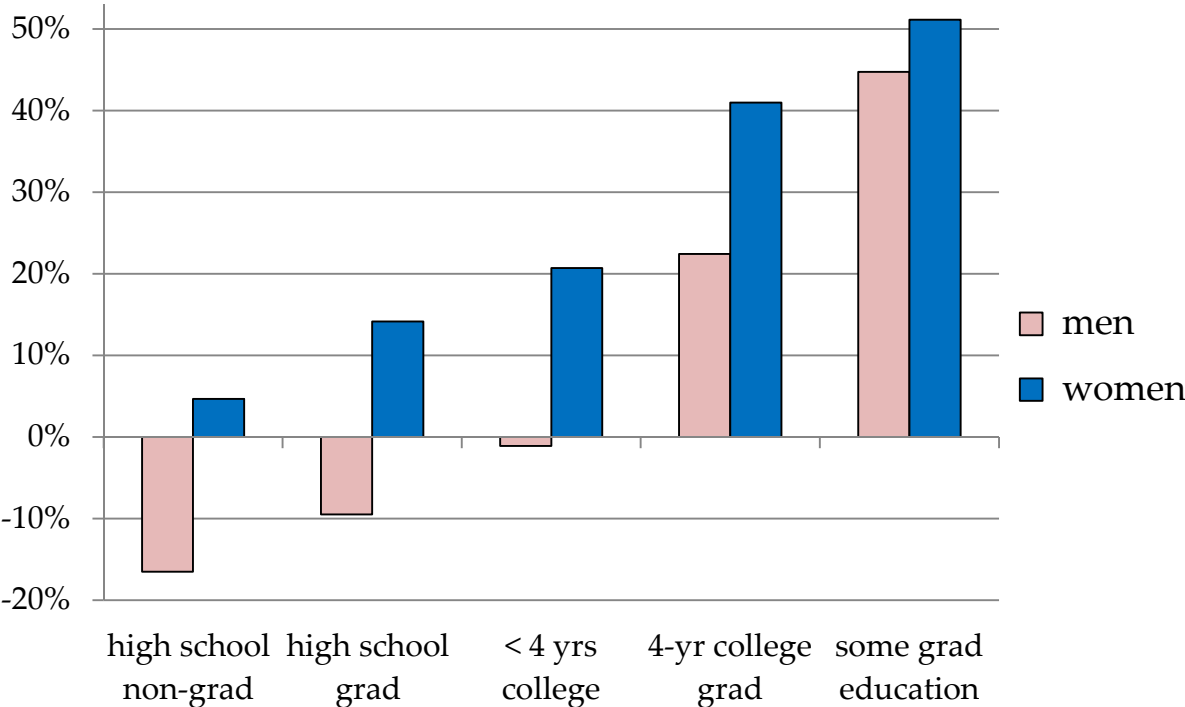


Table 2. Allocation of Gap Between P&NS Workers' CES (Total-Economy) Wages and Total NIPA Wages, 2007

	Wages (billions of dollars)				Percentage of gap Allocated to			
	Non- M&S wkrs	M&S wkrs	Un- allo- cated	Total	Non- M&S wkrs	M&S wkrs	Un- allo- cated	Total
P&NS wkrs' CES wages (total-economy estimate)	3519.4	0.0	0.0	3519.4	---	---	---	---
+ non-P&NS wkrs' CES wages (total-economy estimate)	0.0	1739.8	0.0	5259.2	0.0	60.1	0.0	60.1
+ CES-to-OES size adjustment	139.0	68.7	0.0	207.6	4.8	2.4	0.0	7.2
+ correction of CES undercount of non-M&S wkrs	927.8	-927.8	0.0	0.0	32.0	-32.0	0.0	0.0
= OES wages	4586.2	880.7	0.0	5466.9	36.8	30.4	0.0	67.2
+ OES-to-QCEW size adjustment	35.4	6.6	0.0	41.2	1.2	0.2	0.0	1.4
+ overtime, bonus, & shift-differential pay	155.9	45.9	0.0	201.9	5.4	1.6	0.0	7.0
+ exercised stock option & golden parachute pay	0.0	56.1	0.0	56.1	0.0	1.9	0.0	1.9
+ unallocated gap between OES wages & QCEW wages	0.0	0.0	252.1	252.1	0.0	0.0	8.7	8.7
= QCEW wages	4776.7	989.4	252.1	6018.1	43.4	34.2	8.7	86.3
+ wages unreported or not covered by UI	315.4	65.3	16.6	397.4	10.9	2.3	0.6	13.7
= NIPA wages	5092.1	1054.7	268.7	6415.5	54.3	36.4	9.3	100.0

Notes: Government figures are in boldface; others are estimates. CES = Current Employment Statistics, M&S = management and supervisory, NIPA = National Income and Product Accounts, OES = Occupational Employment Statistics, P&NS = production and nonsupervisory, QCEW = Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, UI = Unemployment Insurance.

	Share of fully-allocated gap		Share of NIPA wages	
	Percent	Percentage points	Magdoff-Foster/ Mohun allocation	Revised allocation
Non-management/supervisory workers	58.9% ± 4.6%	26.6 ± 2.1	54.9%	81.5% ± 2.1%
Management/supervisory workers	41.1% ± 4.6%	18.5 ± 2.1	45.1%	18.5% ± 2.1%
Total	100.0%	45.1	100.0%	100.0%

Table 3. Comparison of Magdoff-Foster/Mohun and Revised Wage Distributions

	QCEW employ- ment (millions)	% of total employ- ment	Total NIPA wages (billions of \$)	Average annual wage		
				Dollars	% of non- M/S wage	% of total avg. wage
<u>Magdoff-Foster/Mohun Allocation</u>						
Non-M/S workers	111.4	82.3	3519.4	31,606	100	67
M/S workers	24.0	17.7	2896.1	120,597	382	254
Total	135.4	100.0	6,415.5	47,394	150	100
<u>My Midpoint Allocation</u>						
Non-M/S workers	122.9	90.8	5226.4	42,526	100	90
M/S workers	12.5	9.2	1189.1	95,388	224	201
Total	135.4	100.0	6415.5	47,394	111	100

Notes: M&S = management and supervisory. Half of the unallocated gap is allocated here to each group of workers; for each extra \$1 in wages allocated to the average non-management/supervisory worker, the average management/supervisory employee receives an extra \$9.86. Different allocations would alter each group's total NIPA wages by up to ± \$134.4 billion.

Figure 14. Cumulative Wage Distribution, Bottom 90% of Management Employees, 2007

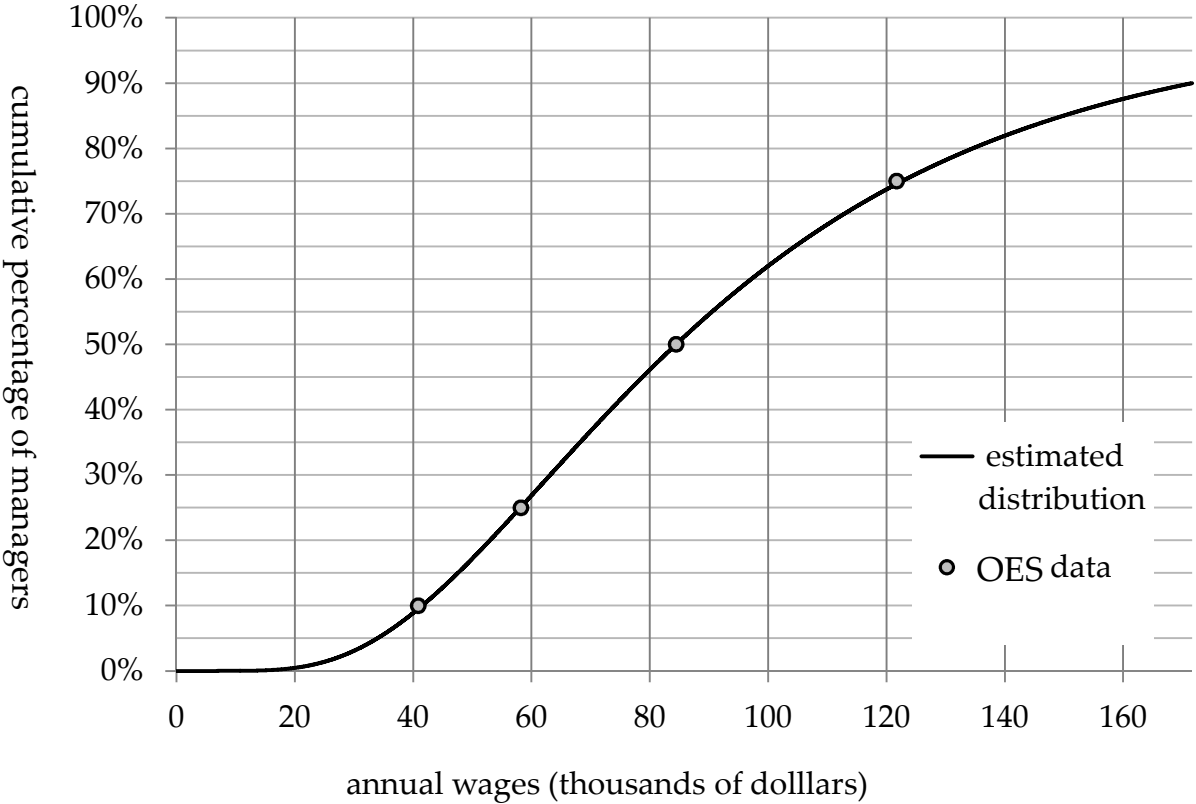


Figure 15. Probability Density Function, Wages of Bottom 90% of Management Employees, 2007

