

THE EQUALITY TRUST

The latest monthly round up of research and news on pay and economic inequality.

Most of the information in this email was previously reported via our twitterfeed (@equalitytrust).

NEWS FROM THE EQUALITY TRUST

[New briefing note from the Equality Trust](#) looking at inequality in and between regions of the UK.

[The Equality Trust's Tim Stacey article on potential tax changes featured](#) on the New Statesman's website.

New Equality Trust blogs on:

- [Flat tax doesn't simplify tax, it cuts it for the richest](#)
- [The Equality Trust becomes a Living Wage employer](#)
- [Does how you measure inequality change how income inequality looks?](#)
- ["Troubled Families" is Rich-Friendly Code for Poor Families](#)

Earlier in the year Professors Kate Pickett and Richard Wilkinson gave the Sir Douglas Robb Lectures on The Human Cost of Inequality at the University of Auckland. This provides the most up to date account of research on income inequality and its effects since The Spirit Level. If you would like to download these, details can now be found on our website [here](#).

PROGRESS AND DEVELOPMENTS

[Frances Coppola rounds up](#) interesting economic research on the issue of economic inequality.

[Standard and Poor research shows that](#) the Wealth gap is slowing US economic growth.

[Research from the Centre for Equitable Growth looks](#) at how inequality deflates growth.

[New US research](#) on economic inequality is driving geographical segregation.

[Research from the Independent Commission on Fees shows wealthy students](#) are ten times more likely to get into the best universities.

[Polling from Ipsos Mori](#) shows that the number of people naming poverty/inequality among the most important issues facing Britain has tripled in the last 5 years from 6% to 18%.

LOW AND HIGH PAY

[Andrew Smithers argues](#) that high executive pay is damaging UK productivity (£)

[The Liberal Democrat Manifesto will contain](#) a commitment to require all companies with 250 employees or more to reveal median and top pay.

[New research suggests](#) that the wealth of the top 1% is undercounted.

[Research shows](#) that claims that high top rates of income tax cause brain drain are exaggerated.

LIVING COSTS

[New research from Trust for London shows](#) work not providing majority of working single parent families with the income they need

[Research from the Child Poverty Action Group](#) shows childcare costs higher than people on minimum wage can afford.

[Research from the Resolution Foundation shows](#) that the working poor are forced to spend half their income on housing.

POVERTY AND SOCIAL SECURITY

[New research from the Work Foundation finds](#) that income transfers remain key to tackling working poverty.

[Research from Which finds](#) that the poorest households suffer the highest rate of inflation.