

Income mobility between quintiles, 1984-94 and 1994-2004 (two-year income averages)

1984 quintile	1994 quintile				
	<i>Lowest</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Fourth</i>	<i>Highest</i>
<i>Lowest</i>	55.6%	24.1%	9.8%	7.2%	3.3%
<i>Second</i>	23.0	33.9	23.5	14.3	5.2
<i>Middle</i>	10.6	22.8	28.5	25.0	13.1
<i>Fourth</i>	3.4	12.9	25.4	29.2	29.1
<i>Highest</i>	1.6	5.8	13.6	26.5	52.6

1994 quintile	2004 quintile				
	<i>Lowest</i>	<i>Second</i>	<i>Middle</i>	<i>Fourth</i>	<i>Highest</i>
<i>Lowest</i>	61.0%	23.3%	9.0%	5.8%	0.9%
<i>Second</i>	23.1	33.5	24.6	10.5	8.3
<i>Middle</i>	11.5	23.2	25.5	26.2	13.7
<i>Fourth</i>	3.9	12.9	27.9	30.0	25.2
<i>Highest</i>	1.3	6.3	12.5	27.7	52.2

Source: Acs and Zimmerman (forthcoming).

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