

Households with low net worth, 1962-2004 (percent of all households)

Net worth	1962	1983	1989	1998	2001	2004	Percentage-point change			
							1962-83	1983-89	1989-01	2001-04
<i>Zero or negative</i>	23.6%	15.5%	17.9%	18.0%	17.6%	17.0%	-5.6	2.4	-0.3	-0.6
<i>Less than \$12,000*</i>	34.3	29.7	31.8	30.3	30.1	29.6	-4.6	2.1	-1.7	-0.5

* Constant 2005 dollars.

Source: Wolff (2006).

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