

Poverty and Inequality in South San Francisco

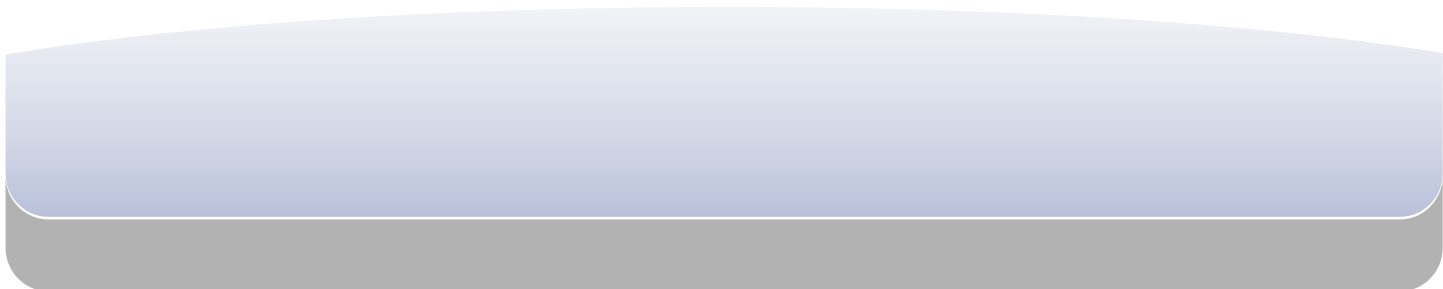
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1. Poverty

Figure 1 - 1: Overall Poverty Rate

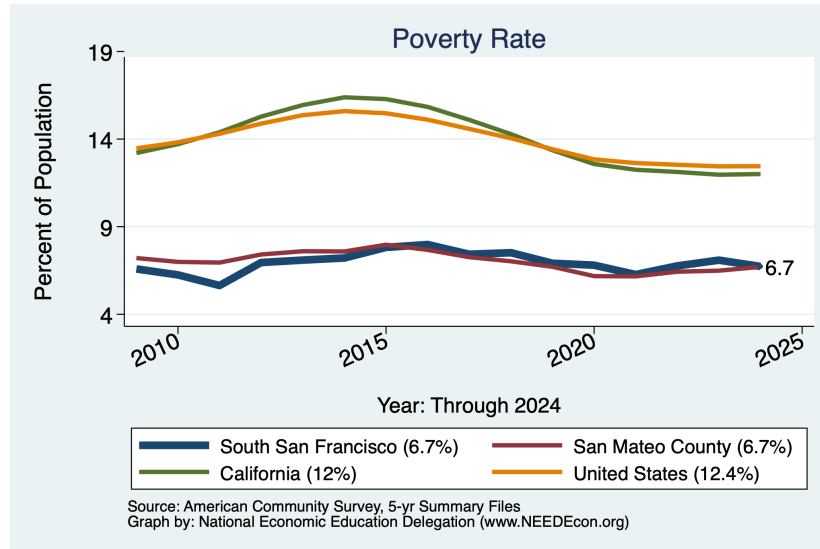
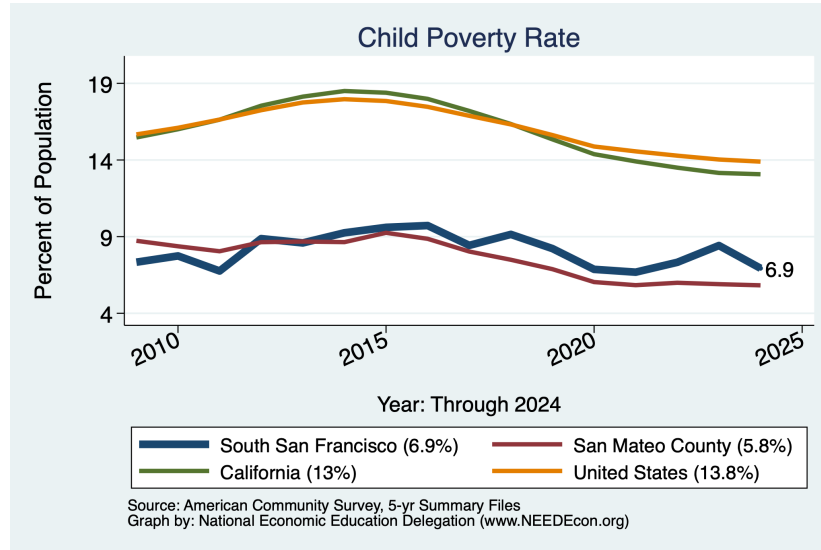


Table 1.1: Poverty Rates by Race/Ethnicity

Race/Enthnicity	Population	Poverty	
		#	% of Population
White Alone	19,964	1,073	5.4
African American Alone	1,234	210	17.0
American Indian and Alaska Native	418	74	17.7
Asian Alone	28,719	1,253	4.4
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	568	49	8.6
Some Other Race Alone	9,568	877	9.2
Two or More Races	5,500	600	10.9
White Alone, Not Hispanic or Latino	14,227	823	5.8
Hispanic or Latino	19,559	1,741	8.9
All Races	65,971	4,136	6.3

Source: 2021 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

Figure 1 - 2: Child Poverty Rate



Number of Children (< 18) Living in Poverty: 819

Table 1.2: Poverty Rates by Age and Sex

Age	Male			Female			Total Poverty Rate
	In Poverty	Total	Poverty Rate	In Poverty	Total	Poverty Rate	
< 5	61	1,334	4.6	88	1,328	6.6	5.6
5	16	529	3.0	55	325	16.9	8.3
6 to 11	103	1,852	5.6	165	1,737	9.5	7.5
12 to 14	38	1,152	3.3	76	739	10.3	6.0
15	0	253	0.0	56	348	16.1	9.3
16 to 17	110	707	15.6	49	658	7.4	11.6
18 to 24	156	2,303	6.8	227	2,475	9.2	8.0
25 to 34	118	4,194	2.8	248	3,882	6.4	4.5
35 to 44	141	5,045	2.8	424	4,846	8.7	5.7
45 to 54	217	4,941	4.4	181	4,009	4.5	4.4
55 to 64	166	4,518	3.7	384	4,694	8.2	6.0
65 to 74	156	3,418	4.6	388	4,285	9.1	7.1
75+	214	1,866	11.5	481	2,721	17.7	15.2
All Ages	1,496	32,112	4.7	2,822	32,047	8.8	6.7

Source: 2024 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

Table 1.3: Income Relative to the Poverty Line

Income Group	% of Population	Cumulative %	Group Population
Under 50%	3.1	3.1	4,136
50% - 74%	1.3	4.4	1,714
75% - 99%	0.1	4.5	119
100% - 124%	0.0	4.6	38
125% - 149%	0.1	4.7	148
150% - 174%	0.0	4.7	45
175% - 184%	0.0	4.7	16
185% - 199%	0.1	4.8	90
200% - 299%	0.1	4.9	108
300% - 399%	0.2	5.0	234
400% - 499%	0.1	5.2	192
500% +	0.2	5.3	209
Total	0.2	5.5	240
Total	50.0	50.0	65,971
	0.1	5.6	157
	0.1	5.7	118
	1.8	7.6	2,422
	0.1	7.7	126
	0.0	7.7	0
	0.1	7.8	135
	0.1	7.8	66
	0.0	7.8	3
	0.0	7.8	33
	0.2	8.0	244
	0.3	8.3	332
	0.2	8.5	246
	0.2	8.6	233
	0.2	8.9	310
	0.3	9.2	365
	0.2	9.4	329
	46.9	56.3	61,835
	23.7	80.0	31,320
	1.1	81.1	1,507
	0.3	81.5	413
	1.4	82.9	1,909
	0.6	83.5	802
	0.2	83.7	222
	0.4	84.1	557
	1.9	86.0	2,537
	3.4	89.4	4,495
	3.8	93.2	5,003
	3.8	97.1	5,062
	3.3	100.4	4,350
	2.2	102.5	2,877
	1.2	103.7	1,586
	23.1	126.9	30,515
	1.0	127.8	1,256
	0.1	128.0	194
	1.5	129.5	1,964
	0.7	130.1	882
	0.2	130.3	204
	0.5	130.8	707
	1.6	132.4	2,130
	3.4	135.8	4,498
	3.0	138.8	3,933
	3.3	142.1	4,293
	3.7	145.8	4,902
	2.5	148.3	3,272
	1.7	150.0	2,280

Table 1.4: Poverty Rates by Sex and Education

Education	Male			Female			Total Poverty Rate
	In Poverty	Total	Poverty Rate	In Poverty	Total	Poverty Rate	
Less than High School	301	3,706	8.1	607	3,069	19.8	13.4
High School Grad (& Equiv)	293	4,845	6.0	541	4,572	11.8	8.9
Some College, Assoc Degree	159	6,318	2.5	576	6,137	9.4	5.9
Bachelor's degree or higher	259	9,113	2.8	382	10,659	3.6	3.2
Total:	1,012	23,982	4.2	2,106	24,437	8.6	6.4

Source: 2024 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

Universe: Population 25 years old and over.

Table 1.5: Poverty Rates by Sex and Work Experience

Work Experience	Male			Female			Total Poverty Rate
	In Poverty	Total	Poverty Rate	In Poverty	Total	Poverty Rate	
Worked full time, year-round	54	14,125	0.4	183	11,742	1.6	0.9
Worked part-time or part-year	315	5,702	5.5	508	6,174	8.2	6.9
Did not work	909	7,165	12.7	1,691	9,654	17.5	15.5
Total:	1,278	26,992	4.7	2,382	27,570	8.6	6.7

Source: 2024 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

Universe: Population 16 years old and over.

Table 1.6: Poverty Rates by Sex and Employment Status

Employment Status	Male			Female			Total Poverty Rate
	In Poverty	Total	Poverty Rate	In Poverty	Total	Poverty Rate	
In labor force:	313	19,017	1.6	683	17,552	3.9	2.7
Employed	278	18,514	1.5	631	17,030	3.7	2.6
Unemployed	35	503	7.0	52	522	10.0	8.5
Not in labor force	965	7,975	12.1	1,699	10,018	17.0	14.8
Total:	1,278	26,992	4.7	2,382	27,570	8.6	6.7

Source: 2024 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

Universe: Population 16 years old and over.

Table 1.7: Poverty Rates for Families, by Tenure

Family Type	Owners		Renters		All Families	
	Poverty	Number	Poverty	Number	Poverty	Number
Male householder, no wife present:	0.0	787	7.9	598	3.4	1,385
Female householder, no husband present:	14.8	1,420	17.6	1,380	16.2	2,800
Total:	4.2	9,942	6.0	5,663	4.9	15,605
Married-couple family:	2.7	7,735	1.4	3,685	2.3	11,420

Source: 2024 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

Universe: Families, excluding single individual households.

Table 1.8: Poverty Rates by Nativity

Nativity	# of Persons		Poverty Rate
	in Poverty	Total	
Foreign Born:	1,643	25,814	6.4
Not a Citizen	748	7,674	9.7
Native:	2,675	38,345	7.0
Naturalized Citizen	895	18,140	4.9

Source: 2024 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

2. Income Inequality

Figure 2 - 1: Median Household Income

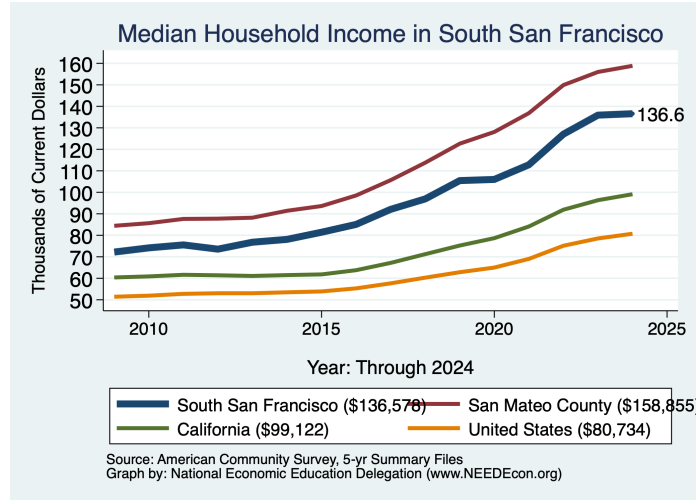


Figure 2 - 2: Per Capita Income

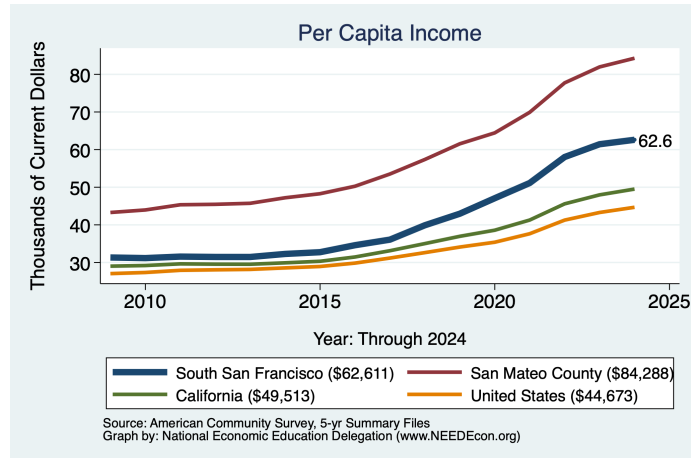


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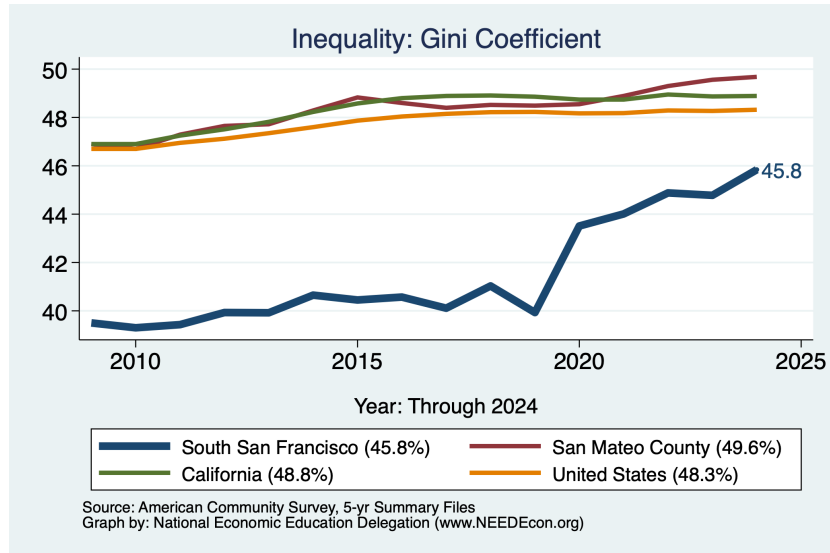


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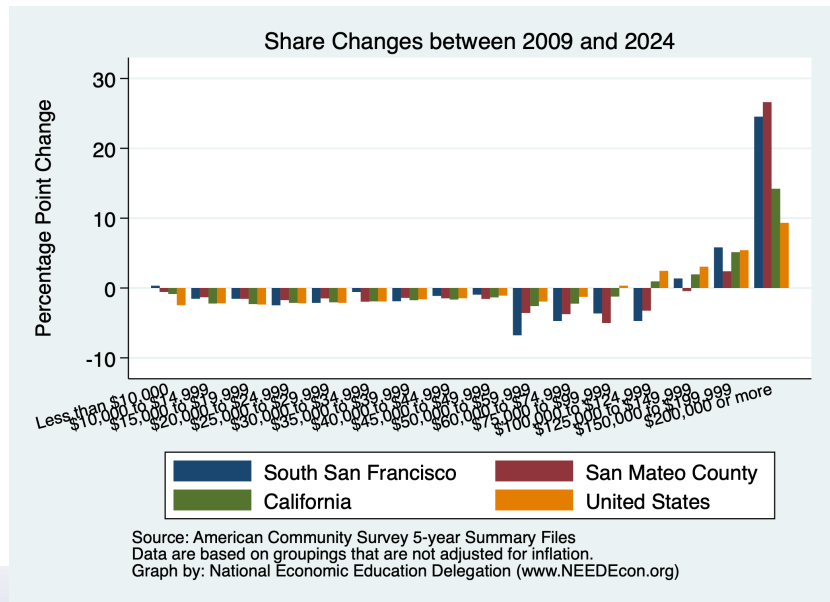


Figure 2 - 5: Income Shares by Quintile

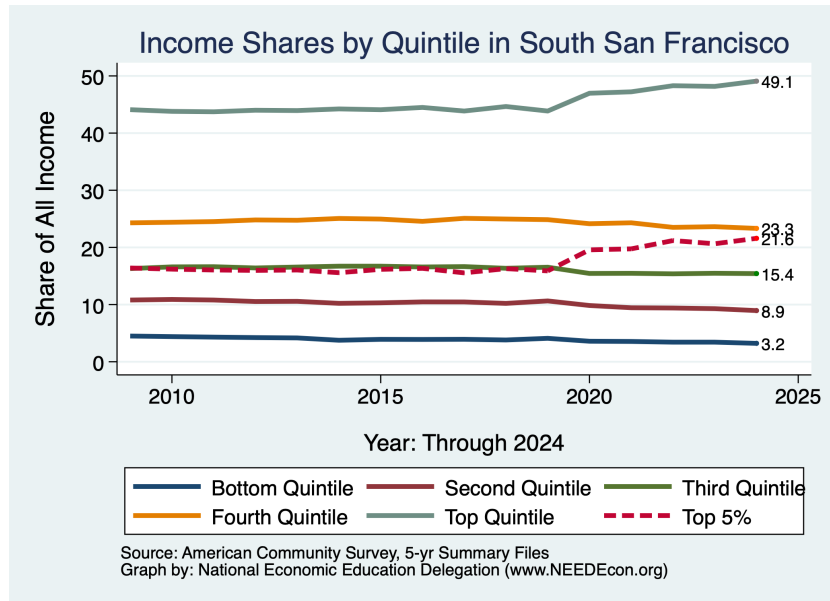


Figure 2 - 6: Income Shares by Quintile - Comparison

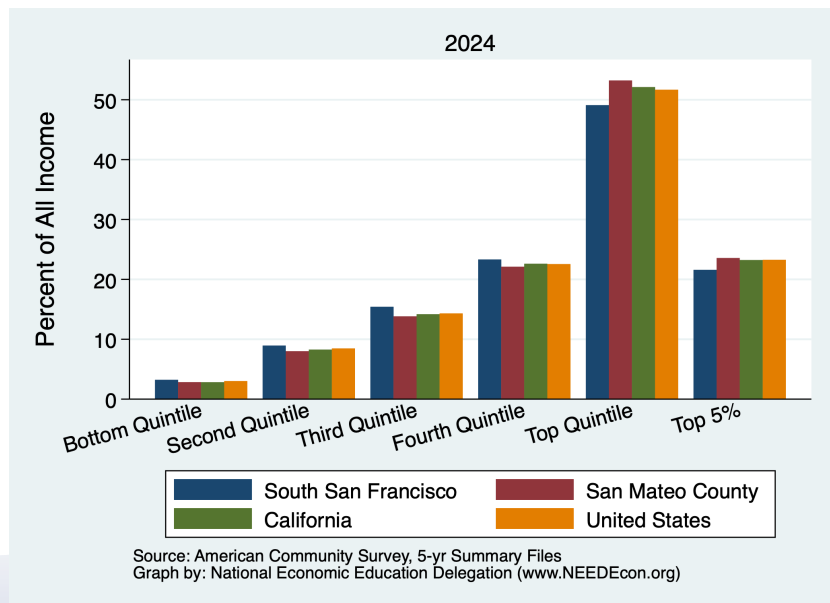


Figure 2 - 7: Mean Income by Quintile

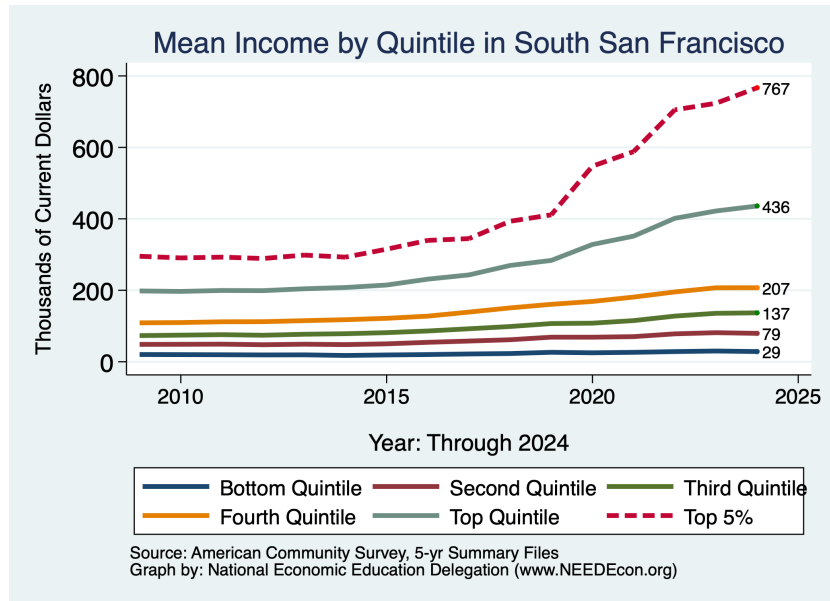


Figure 2 - 8: Mean Income by Quintile - Comparison

