Figure 3. Income Distribution Measures and Percent Change Using Money Income and Equivalence-Adjusted Income

MONEY INCOME			Percent Change: 2020 to 2021
Shares of Aggregate	2020 ¹	2021	
Income by Percentile			
Lowest quintile	3.0	2.9	-3.6
Second quintile	8.2	8.0	-1.7
Third quintile	14.0	13.9	-1.0
Fourth quintile	22.6	22.6	-0.2
Highest quintile	52.2	52.7	0.8
Top 5 percent	23.0	23.5	2.2
Summary Measures			
Gini index of			
income inequality	0.488	0.494	1.2
Income percentile ratios	:		
90th/10th	12.90	13.53	4.9
90th/50th	2.97	2.99	0.8
50th/10th	4.34	4.52	4.0
EQUIVALENCE-ADJUST	ED INCOM	E	
Shares of Aggregate			
Income by Percentile			
Lowest quintile	3.4	3.3	-2.0
Second quintile	8.9	8.8	-0.7
Third quintile	14.5	14.4	-0.6
Fourth quintile	22.4	22.3	-0.8
Highest quintile	50.8	51.2	0.8
Top 5 percent	22.5	23.0	2.0
Summary Measures			
Gini index of			
income inequality	0.469	0.474	0.9
Income percentile ratios			
90th/10th	10.73	10.89	1.5
90th/50th	2.80	2.81	0.1
50th/10th	3.83	3.88	1.3
			Denotes a statistically
			significant change

Percent Change: 2020 to 2021

¹ Implementation of 2020 Census-based population controls.

Note: Percent change estimate may be different due to rounded components. Statistically significant indicates the change is statistically different from zero at the 90 percent confidence level. Margins of error and other related estimates are available in Table A-3. Information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions is available at https://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/cps/techdocs/cpsmar22.pdf.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2021 and 2022 Annual Social and Economic Supplements (CPS ASEC).