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III. How does the U.S. compare to the rest of the world?

Equality of Income Distribution

(source: UN Development Reports '91 - '98 depending on the country)

Gini Coefficient

1 = Least Equal

0 = Perfectly Equal

Income Distribution as a Function of Real GDP/Capita

(income) Gini source: UN Human Development Report
Real GDP/Capita (PPP): IMF World Economic Outlook

2000 Real (PPP) GDP/Capita