Increasing Inequality in Where Americans Live

The percentage of middle-income neighborhoods has been shrinking, while the percentage of both very high-income and very low-income neighborhoods has increased.


*Very low-income neighborhoods have median family incomes less than 50 percent of the metropolitan area median. Other income ranges include: low income (50 percent to 80 percent); middle income (80 percent to 120 percent); high income (120 percent to 150 percent); and very high income (>150 percent).