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ABSTRACT

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Gender-related shifts in the distribution of wages

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The Nation's wage distribution grew more unequal during the 1980's, with top and bottom becoming more concentrated at the expense of the middle. For men, the middle "hollowed out" considerably; for women, the middle actually "filled in," with only a small increase in the bottom of the distribution. This article focuses on gender-related shifts in the Nation's wage distribution during the 1980's, when women's wages grew faster than men's, on average.

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