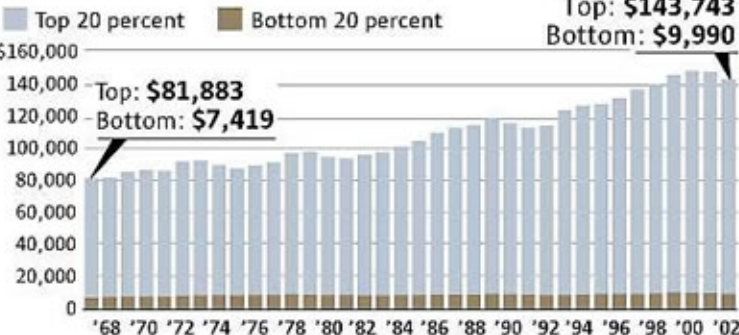


The rich keep getting richer

The mean household income for families in the bottom 20% has grown at a much slower pace than for those in the top 20%, where earnings have increased by more than 75 percent since 1967.

Mean household income in 2002 dollars, 1967-2002



Source: Census Bureau

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS