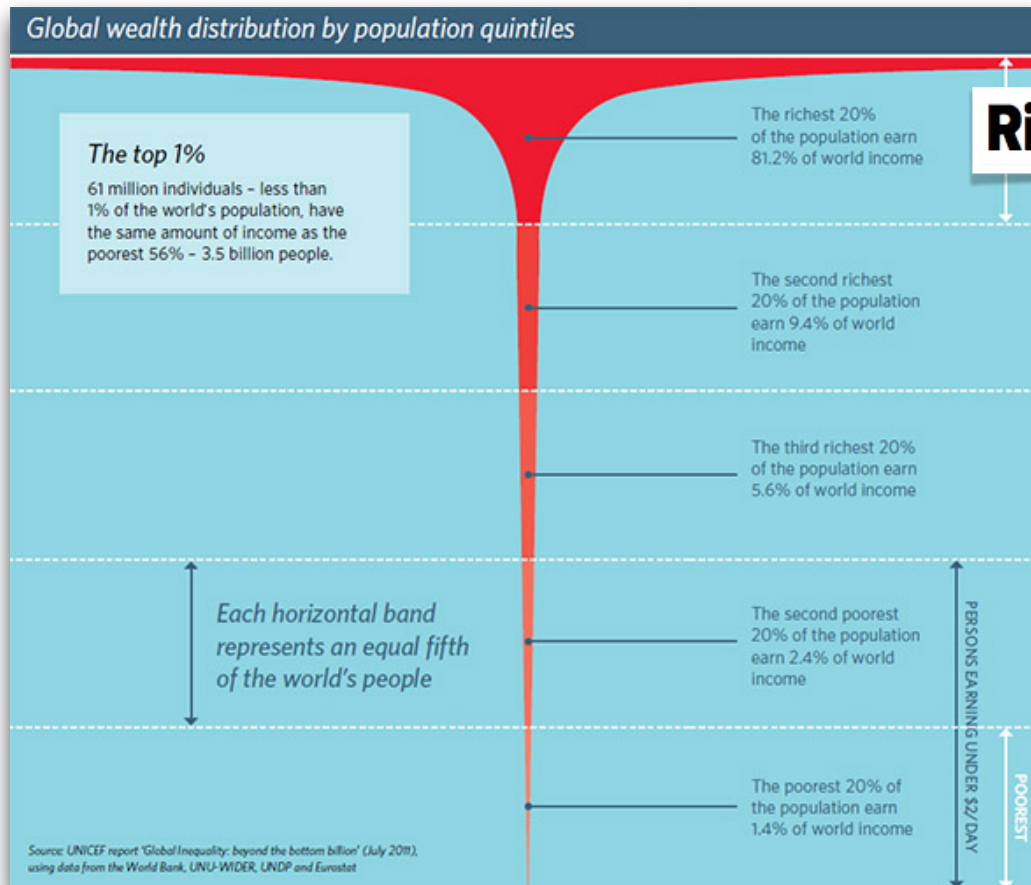


Extreme Financial Inequality as Social Cancer

70 People Own As Much Wealth As Half of the World's Population (**3.7 BILLION** People)

40 People Own As Much Wealth As Half of the U.S. Population (**159 MILLION** People)



Rich People Lack Empathy, Study Finds

According to researchers at the University of California-Berkeley, people who grew up in economically comfortable circumstances are less attuned to the suffering of other people.

"It's not that the upper classes are coldhearted," Jennifer Stellar, a social psychologist at UC Berkeley and the lead author of the study, is quoted as saying in a press release. "They may just not be as adept at recognizing the cues and signals of suffering because they haven't had to deal with as many obstacles in their lives."

"Our brains can learn to empathize with outside groups, research shows..."

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