Cost of the 2008-2010 Financial Crisis in Sixteen Charts

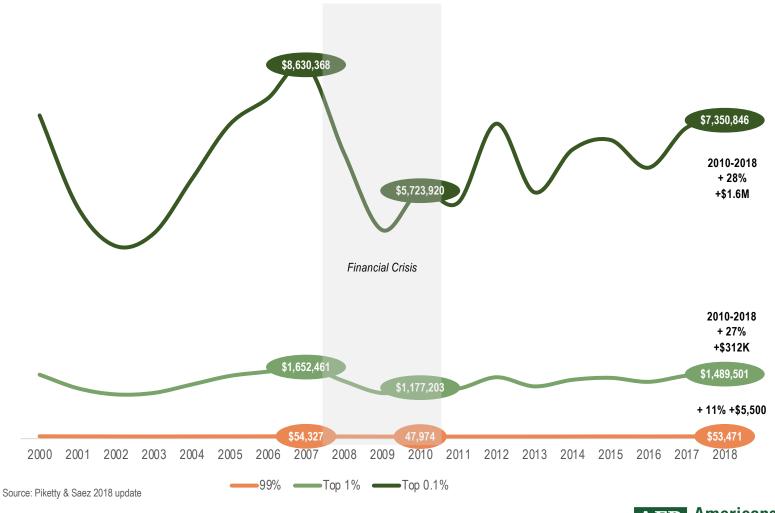
Decades of deregulation allowed reckless and greedy Wall Street banks and financiers to capsize the global economy in 2008. The consequences of their actions, the Great Recession they caused, and the limitations and failures of the public policy response was long-lasting economic pain for most people — and for people of color to an even greater extent — with rising unemployment and poverty and a loss of household wealth, income, and homeownership.

The following charts show those losses for most families as well as the fact that the very richest recovered more quickly and have captured the lion's share of the economic gains over the past 10 years. Big banks and wealthy investors have been able to seize a greater share of U.S. income and wealth at the expense of middle- and lower-income families.

The Great Recession and the slow recovery reinforced the economic racism that makes it harder for people of color to get ahead. Black and Latinx families faced a protracted economic downturn that was more severe than for average white families. Even a decade later, Black families have not recovered from the economic losses and Latinx families are barely ahead of where they were in 2008. The richest 1 percent of families saw their incomes rise by 27 percent and bank profits rebounded nearly 800 percent over the past decade.

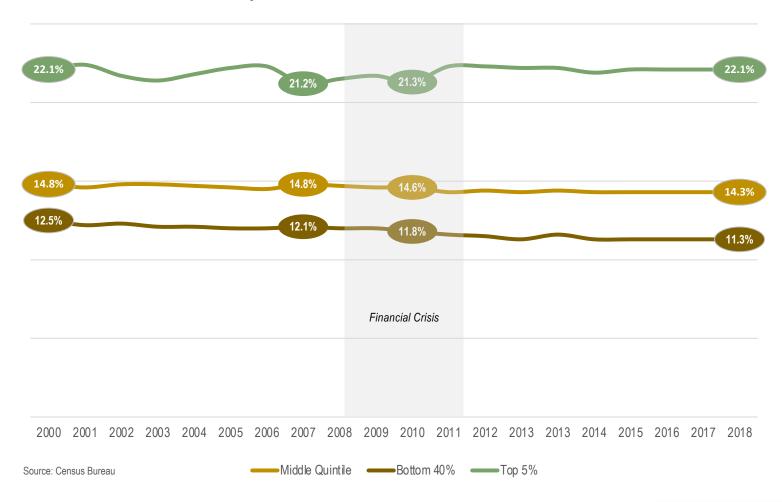


Real Family Income of Top 1% Climbs Much More After Crisis



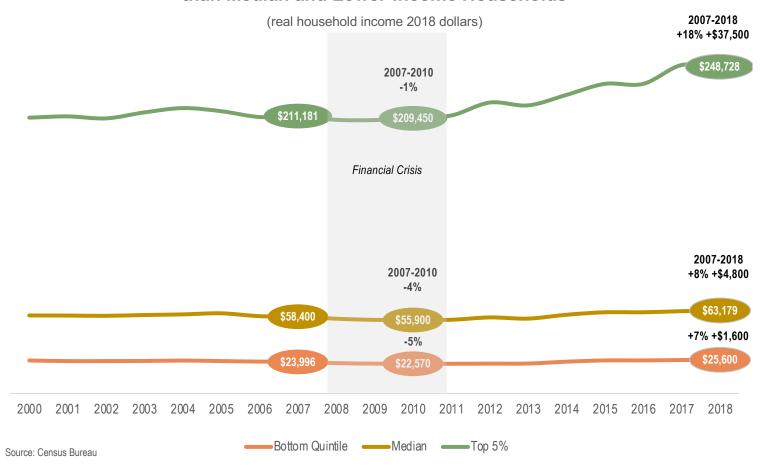


Share of Income to Top 5% Rises Post-Crisis, Share to Bottom 60% Declines



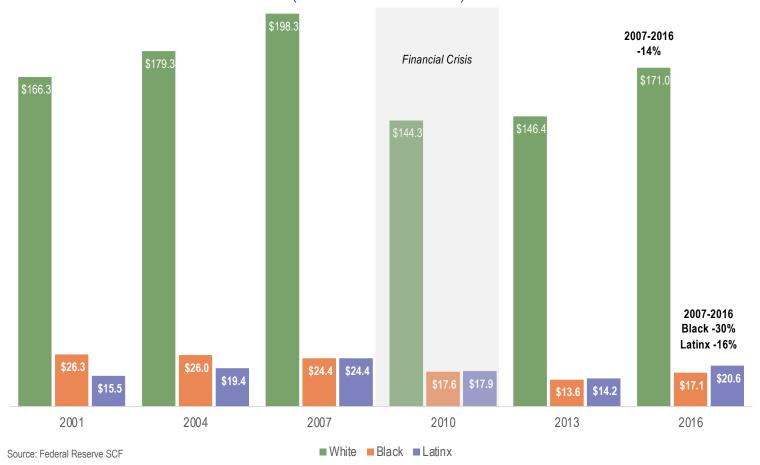


Top 5% Households' Income Falls Less, Rebounds More than Median and Lower-Income Households





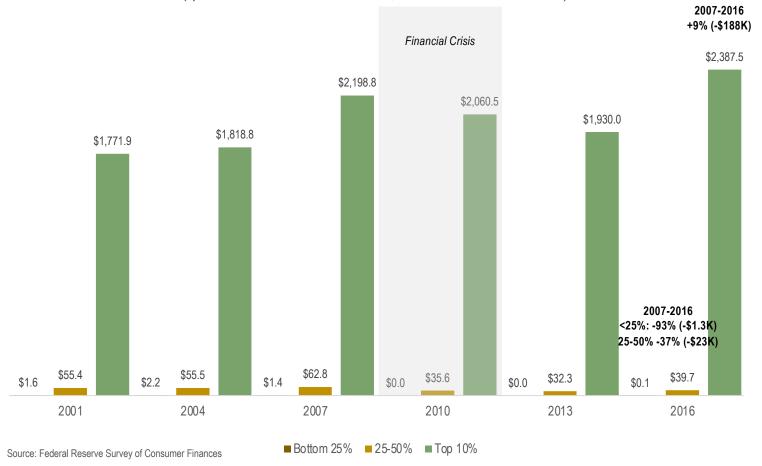
Median Household Net Worth Falls — Median White Wealth Rises to 10X Black, 8X Latinx (thousands 2016 dollars)



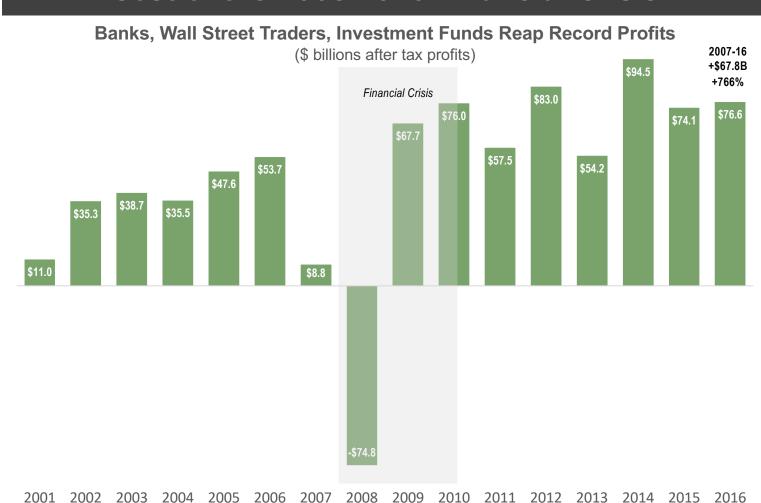


Wealthiest Net Worth Rebounds, Middle- & Low-Wealth Net Worth Evaporates

(quartiles of household wealth, thousands 2016 dollars)





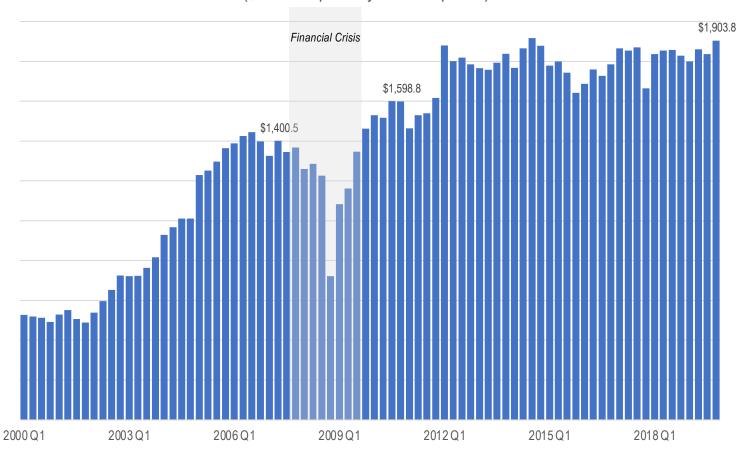


Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis NIPA 6.19D



Corporate Profits Rapidly Bounce Back, Grow Steadily

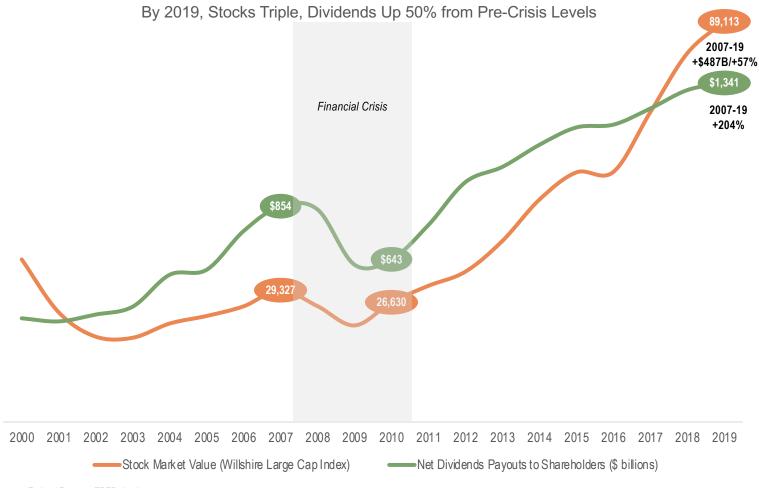
(\$ billions quarterly after tax profits)



Source: BEA, FRED database



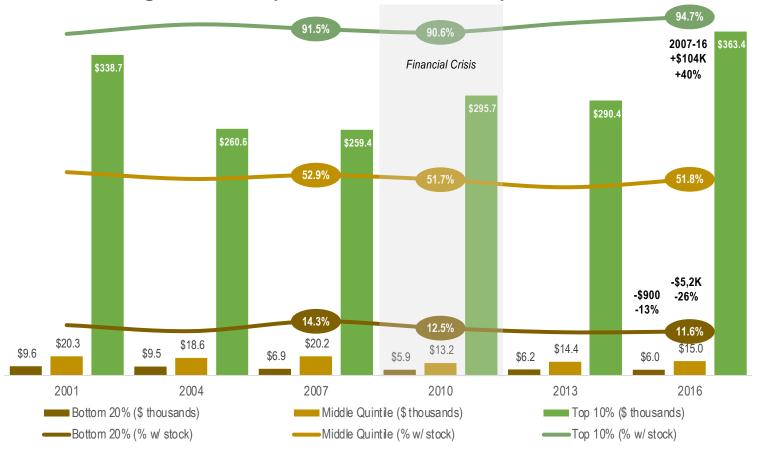
Stock Market Performance, Dividend Payments to Shareholders Rapidly Recover



Source: Federal Reserve FRED database



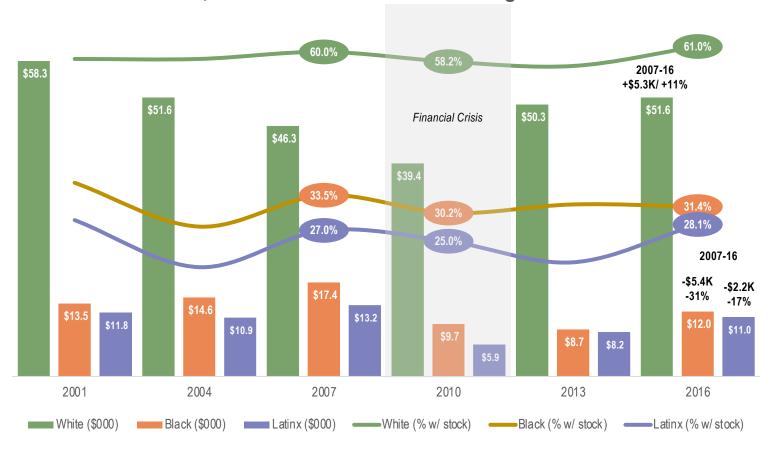
Stock Market Mainly Benefits the Very Richest Stockholding Grows for Top 10% Families, Ownership and Value Fall for Most



Source: Federal Reserve SCF (direct and indirect stock holding, household income quintiles, thousands 2016 dollars)



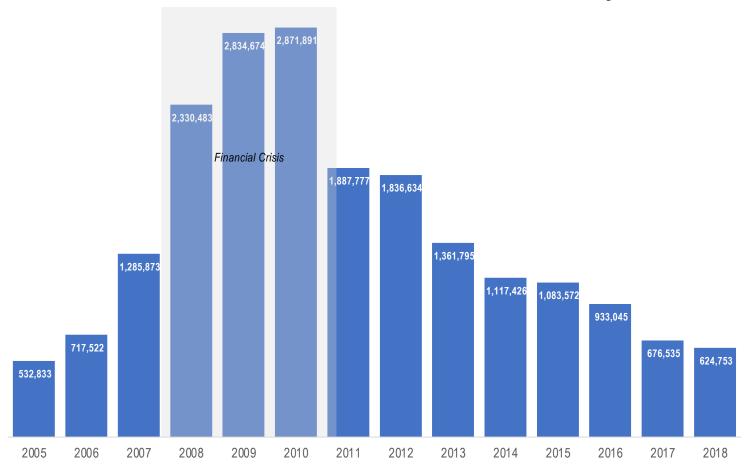
White Families Maintain Stockholdings and Value Rises; Black, Latinx Families Lose Stockholdings and Value



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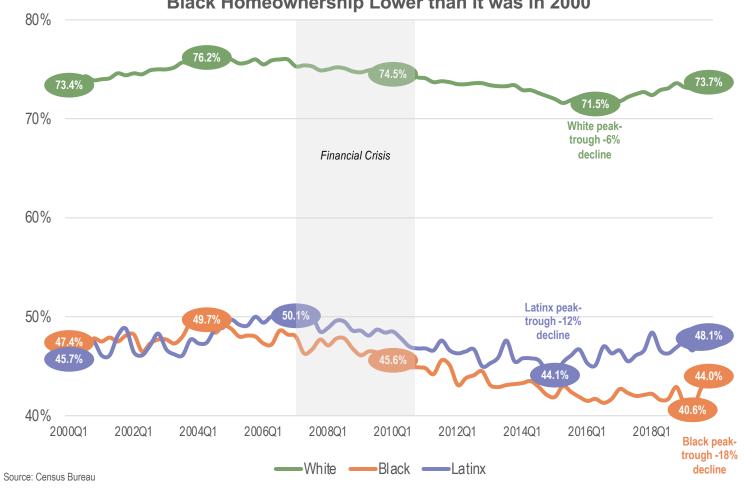
Foreclosures Rise Five Fold — Remain Over 1M Homes Annually for Years



Source: Attom Data Solutions

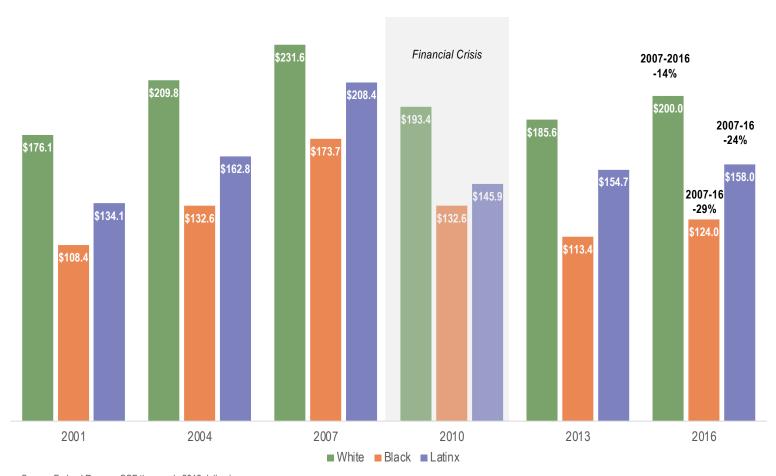


Black-White Homeownership Gap Grows Since 2008; Black Homeownership Lower than it was in 2000





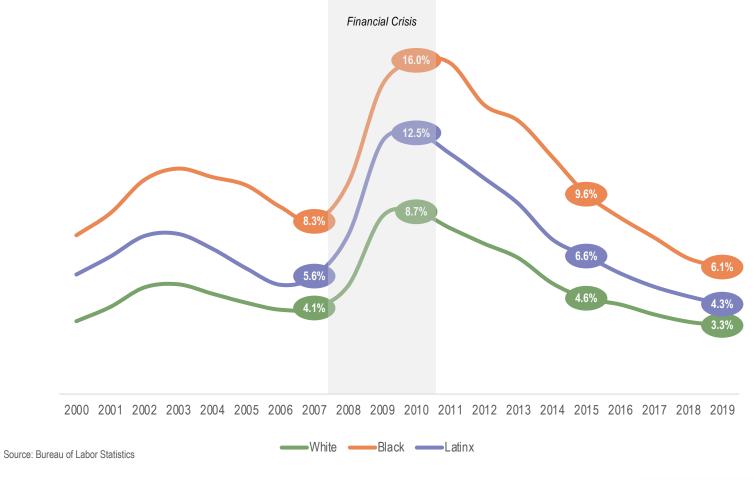
Real Median Real Home Equity Drops Far More for Black, Latinx Homeowners



Source: Federal Reserve SCF thousands 2016 dollars)



Unemployment Doubled — Remained Higher for 5 Years for Black, Latinx People





Long-Term Unemployment (> 6 mos.) Soars, Highest Rates for Blacks, Latinx People





Poverty Rate Climbs More Steeply for Black, Latinx People, Takes Years to Decline

