

This pie chart shows how all of the money in the United States is divided throughout the population. For instance, the fifth of the population that earns the most money is shown in purple while the fifth of the population that earns the least amount is shown in blue.

One way to understand this is to imagine there are only 100 people in the United States. If this were true, 20 of them would control 50.10% of all the money while the poorest 20 people would have only 3.5% of all the money. You can see that the richest 1/5 of the population controls more money than **all the other 4/5ths of the population combined!** In fact, richest 5% of Americans control 22.5% of all the money in the United States.

Income Percentages in United States

