

## #41 – World Social Report 2020

### Short description

**Type of object:** Report

**Source (organisation):** UNDESA

**Issues:** The impact of four megatrends on inequality: technological innovation, climate change, urbanization and international migration

**Time span:** Since 1990

**Geographical coverage:** Global

**Link:** <https://www.un.org/development/desa/dspd/world-social-report/2020-2.html>

### Note/Interpretations

Powerful economic, social and environmental forces are affecting inequality. The implications of these global forces – or megatrends – are broad and varied. Some can help equalize opportunities, while others are exerting mounting pressure on income inequality, mainly through their effect on labour markets. This report examines the impact of four such megatrends on inequality:

- [Technological innovation](#)
- [Climate change](#)
- [Urbanization](#) and
- [International migration](#).

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