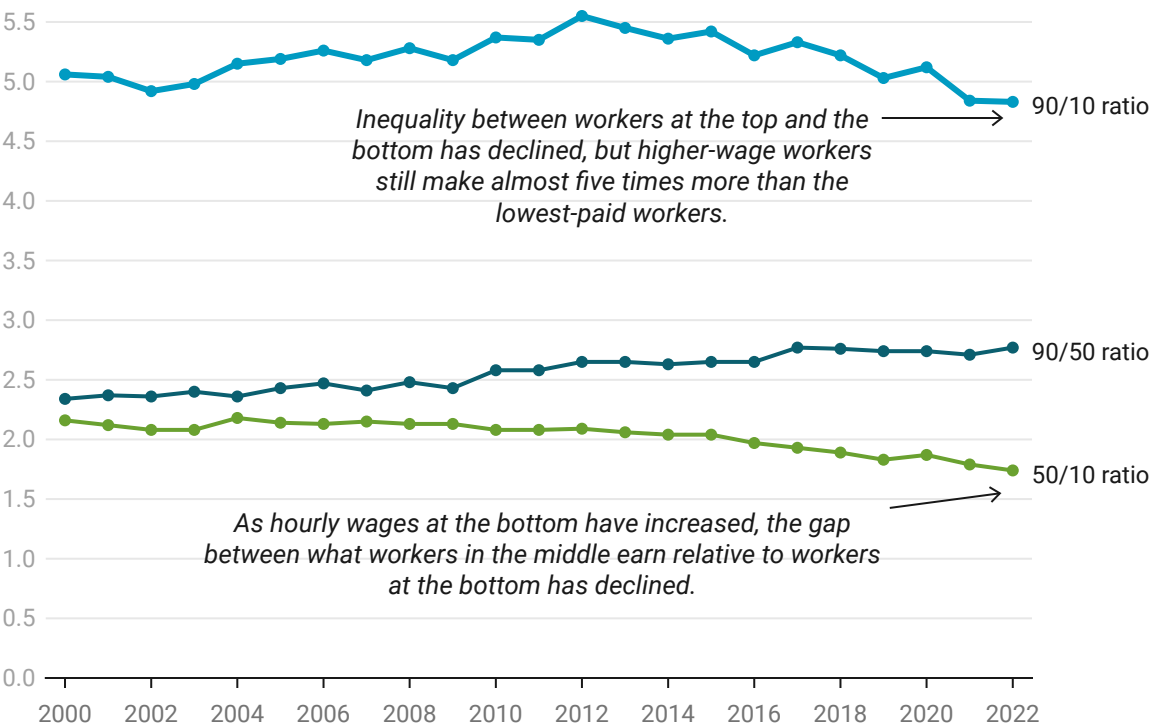


# As low-wage workers' hourly wages have gone up inequality has decreased, but there's still a long way to go

This chart shows inequality between workers at the top, middle, and bottom of the wage distribution. The 90/10 ratio shows hourly wages for those at the top (the 90th percentile) relative to those at the bottom (the 10th percentile). The 90/50 ratio shows the hourly wage for those at the top relative to those in the middle (50th percentile). Finally, the 50/10 ratio shows wages for those at the middle relative to those at the bottom.



Wages are in 2022 dollars, including tips, overtime, and commissions. The sample includes workers who live in California, were employed last week but not self-employed, ages 16+, and with non-zero earnings last week.

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