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Whites create businesses, and create jobs. The discrepancy will continue to remain there until African Americans and Hispanics start creating jobs in their communities, and seek ways to absorb the ups and downs of the economic processes. Suggesting it is racism is silly.
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Better yet...

Go to Rockford Illinois to the welfare office, when benefits are being passed out... Ask the people randomly when they had a job that lasted more than a day. Ask them what they are doing to change their dependancy on the government.

I'm willing to bet that the majority of them havbe parents and grandparents

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receiving benefits, The majority haven't held a long term job. Also, the majority aren't doing anything to change their situation. They don't want to show a little responsibility, when they can get it for nothing.

Facts are facts. The same if you go to a housing project. I don't know about your statwe... But in Illinois, the people are pretty much punished if they try to become self-dependant. THE MORE PEOPLE THEY CAN KEEP DEPENDANT, AND IGNORANT, THE MORE VOTES THEY WILL GET.

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Ya think? I got a reply about taking some stupid psycology course...

I don't need a college course to walk down to the welfare office on the day they give out checks and such and listen to the people talk about how they are owed what they get and more.... Most have never worked a day in their life.

If you want to close the gap... You need to bring jobs back, start programs getting the people off welfare, and having a little self dignity.

Fact is fact.

With the human being... the more you hand out, the less they will do, and the more they will expect. As long as people are kept dependant on the government... they will vote for the ones that will promise them the most.

It's not rocket science... Why do you think Obama is anti-job? He wants to keep people dependant on the government, to get his party back in the high power positions. There are currently more non-working voters than there are working voters... you do the math.

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The tone of most comments on this site have changed so much since the Huff Post/AOL buyout or sell out or whatever you want to call it. This used to be a progressive site but no more. Before the merger most readers/commenters could easily see through the divisive nature of articles



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such as this that regurgitate the old 'wealth gap canard.' I'm struck by how many commenters jump on that bandwagon in agreement while ignoring the that most whites are struggling in this economy too. Just wondering, does reading statistics about whites having more accumulated wealth make low info readers feel good about themselves while we're all being robbed blind by the banksters/Koch brother types. Every white person is not rich but because of the nature of the country and the legacy of discrimination here, whites should have more accumulated wealth as being white in America has always been a sort of affirmative action where one doesn't have to fight through negative racial perceptions that people of color have to deal with just walking through the door to apply for a job. Most Huff Po readers used to be able to see through the crap in this article and would actively rebutt it in their comments. What happened here? Reading some of this stuff I thought I had accidentally stumbled upon some rightwing site.

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Simply put, the bias you claim to have seen as normal and accurate, didn't represent a true cross section of our population. Only when the opinions of both sides is fairly represented, is there true dialogue of value.

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Some people just really don't get it. We have inequality in this country plain and simple. It may not be intentional but many people contribute to it. By acknowledging there are problems that need to be fixed and adressed we can begin to get somewhere...but to deny they exist at all its so frustrating. Its hard to explain it to them. You have to look at problems like this from many angles. All problems are sociological...yes personal choices one undertakes does play a part but it not always personal choices. There are sometimes no choices and there are larger deep rooted problems. Unemployment leads to crime...leads to drug usage...yeah its causation and effect. Can you really punish a kid for "personal" decisions his parents or grandparents made. Back in the 1920s-40s there were many blacks who were well education with advanced degrees. They couldn't practice medicine or law because of barriers placed upon graduated and settled for other jobs like Postal work. Even then blacks weren't treated as equal...even today blacks are disproportionately represented in some sectors and jobs...usually lower skilled and low wages.

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In fact, the problems and solutions are the same in the white community as they are in all the communities of this country. The only real difference is.. whites are far more active in creating mom and pop businesses, and more active in seeking ways to absorb shock. But there is little or no hocus pocus from 100 years ago that applies to this very active economy.

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This study was done before Obama took office. The results are from 2009. But I would agree with you on one thing regarding the president and many others: The notion that you can have general solutions, not that many have been attempted, to deal with problems specific to certain communities is ridiculous.

I guess minorities thought that the president would be more sensitive to the specific problems of minority communities and poor communities (which includes many whites) because he is a minority and because he has lived in poverty. His "rising tide floats all boats" philosophy is just a variation of trickle-down economics, which clearly does not work, based on the study's results.

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