High-income individuals receive a greater portion of their income from capital gains.

**Capital Gains Income (% of Total Household Income) by Income Group**

- Lowest Quintile: 0.0%
- Second Quintile: 0.2%
- Middle Quintile: 0.3%
- Fourth Quintile: 0.5%
- 81st–90th Percentile: 1.1%
- 91st–95th Percentile: 2.0%
- 96th–99th Percentile: 4.3%
- Top 1 Percent: 21.9%

**Source:** Congressional Budget Office, *The Distribution of Household Income*, 2016, July 2019.

**Notes:** A quintile is one-fifth of the population. Household income is income before transfers and taxes, which consists of market income plus social insurance benefits.

© 2020 Peter G. Peterson Foundation