Income Distribution among Provinces of Canada, 1973-1997

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Abstract

Based on 1973 to 1997 economic family data of Survey of Consumer Finances (SCF), this study provides an analysis of the income ranking of each province. We use mean comparison to establish the ranking and then introduce a non-parametric stochastic dominance test to examine our result. We also use quantile comparison and Gini coefficient for the within province inequality investigation. The results indicate that the income gap between the first level income province, i.e., Ontario, Alberta and British Columbia, and the rest province is relatively large and income differences among the rest provinces are slim.