

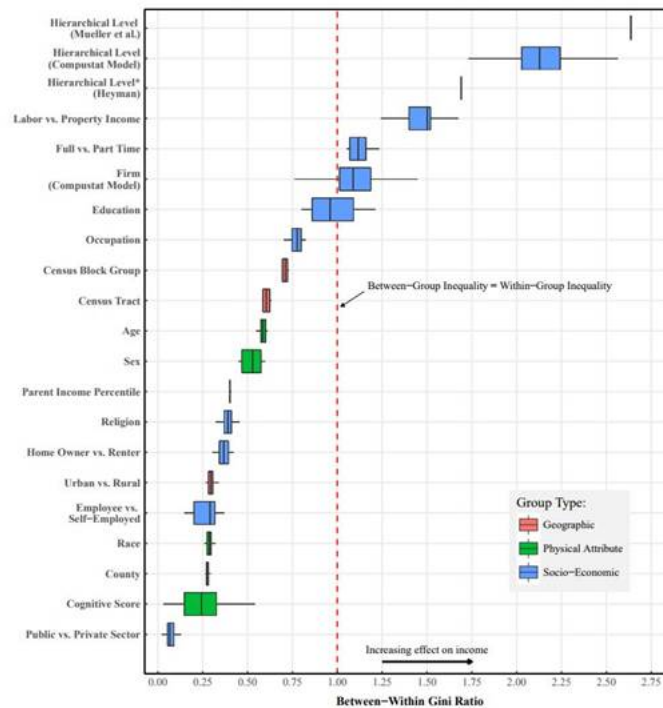


[Ep 16: Capitalism, Hierarchy, and Energy](#)

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The interview on *The Bichler & Nitzan Archives*

The interview on *Postscarcity Magazine*



We talk to Blair Fix, a graduate student at York University in Canada, about his fascinating research examining energy and hierarchy and the relationship between hierarchy and personal income. I sound tired in the intro because I was, but the interview was recorded on a different day, so I don't sound so much like a lazy slug in the rest of the episode.

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