Economic Inequality and Victory in War

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These maps rank countries by comparative measures of inequality over a long historical period, with red and orange indicating relatively low inequality, yellow and green in the middle, and light and dark blue indicating the highest values.
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UTIP Rankings

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Note that the UTIP-UNIDO measures are homogeneous for Europe, North America, and South America, but highly heterogeneous for Asia.
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Inequality in Iran and Iraq

Figure 7

Inequality in the Southern Cone

Data for China drawn partly from State Statistical Yearbook
Maps provide a useful way to visualize the increasing regional polarization of income. High values (yellow to red) indicate concentrations of relative wealth, low values (light to dark blue) show concentrations of relative poverty.
Important Note: These measures do not take account of relative changes in the regional cost of living.
Figure 1
Difference in Theil (T) Statistic (Delta-T)
Winners Versus Losers in International Armed Conflict (1963-2005)
(Theil of Final Year of Conflict)

Victor is in bold.
Table 2

List of Conflict Pairs with Missing Data

Afghanistan War (United States-Afghanistan)
Invasion of Grenada (United States)
Kampuchean-Thai Border War (Thailand)
Libyan-Egyptian War
Mauritania-Senegal Border War
Ossetian War (USSR/Russia-Georgia)
Second Gulf War (United Kingdom-Iraq)
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Sino-Vietnamese War (China)
Vietnam War, South Vietnam-North Vietnam
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The Sack of Rome

“Among the youths in the army whose beards had not yet grown, but who had just come of age, [Alaric] chose out three hundred whom he knew to be of good birth and possessed of valor beyond their years, and told them secretly that he was about to make a present of them to certain of the patricians in Rome, pretending that they were slaves. And he instructed them that, as soon as they got inside the houses of those men, they should display much gentleness and moderation and serve them eagerly in whatever tasks should be laid upon them by their owners; and he further directed them that not long afterwards, on an appointed day at midday, when all those who were to be their masters would most likely be already asleep after their meal, they should all come to the gate called Salarian and with a sudden rush kill the guards, who would have no previous knowledge of the plot, and open the gates as quickly as possible.”

(Procopius 1953-4)
PISTOL
Discuss unto me; art thou officer?
Or art thou base, common and popular?
KING HENRY V
I am a gentleman of a company.
PISTOL
Trail'st thou the puissant pike?
KING HENRY V
Even so. What are you?
PISTOL
As good a gentleman as the emperor.
KING HENRY V
Then you are a better than the king.
### Wars, Victors, and Equality

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