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Circumpolar Arctic Social Inequities in the Global Economy

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Complex inequalities have not as yet been subject to systematic examination on the level of the circumpolar Arctic regions (Walby, 2009). This study examines that question, based on a set of socio-economic indicators bearing on demography, health and the economy. These indicators are subject to three rounds of analysis. On the one hand, inequalities between the major models have lessened; on the other, they have increased between regions within the same model. These results are typical of the evolution of inequalities in the context of globalization (Manzagol 2011). Finally, a statistical analysis based on the dispersion of personal income suggests that living conditions in more egalitarian societies are generally more favourable to individual self-fulfillment and the ability of communities to choose their own destiny (Wilkinson & Pickett 2009). These findings call for a deeper look at the weight of redistribution policies throughout the Arctic world, which appear to be strongly influenced by the spread of globalization.

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