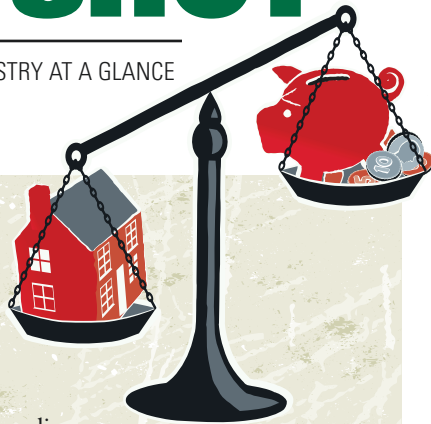


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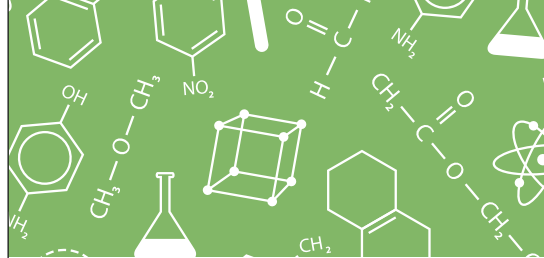
HOUSEHOLD INCOME DOWN

Household income is down sharply since the recession ended three years ago, the *Washington Post* reports.

From June 2009 to June 2012, inflation-adjusted median household income fell 4.8 percent, to \$50,964, according to a report by Sentier Research.

Incomes have dropped more since the beginning of the recovery than they did during the recession itself, when they declined 2.6 percent, according to the report, which analyzed data from the Census Bureau's Current Population Survey. The recession, the most severe since the Great Depression, lasted from December 2007 to June 2009.

Overall, median income is 7.2 percent below its December 2007 level and 8.1 percent below where it stood in January 2000, when it was \$55,470.



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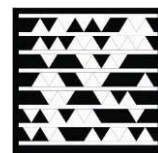


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STAFF UP AT SMALL BUSINESSES

Small businesses with fewer than 20 employees created 30,000 new jobs in August but overall saw revenue declines, according to Intuit. The data are based on approximately 83,500 small business customers of Intuit Online Payroll and anonymous aggregated data from QuickBooks Online.

Small business revenues are gradually recovering from recessionary depths but are just now reaching levels seen before the recession began in 2007, according to the Intuit Small Business Revenue Index.



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