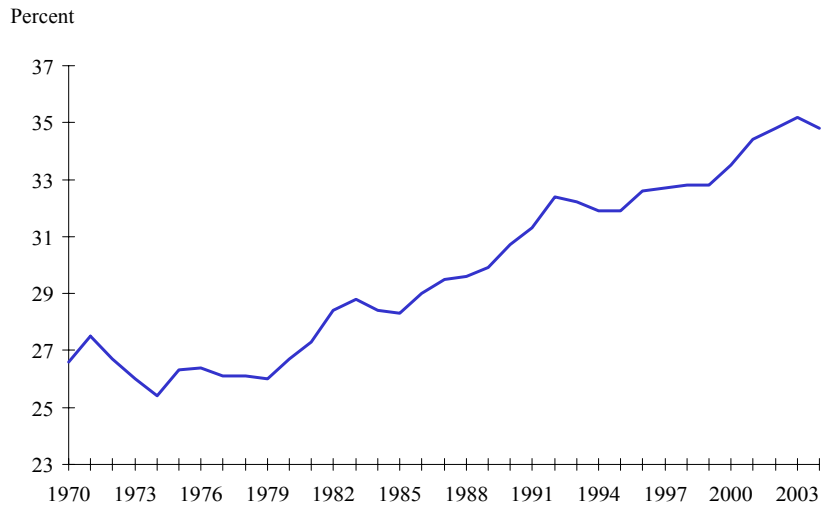


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SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics

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- As more wives have entered higher-paying occupations and more wives work full time all year, their contribution to family income has increased. By 2004, 35 cents of every dollar of married-couple family income were earned by the wife.
- Among married-couple families where both wives and husbands have earnings, 25 percent of wives earned more than their husbands in 2004. This was up from 18 percent in 1987.