



FIGURE 3. Global income inequality, 1820–2020: Gini index. *Interpretation.* Global inequality, as measured by the global Gini coefficient, rose from about 0.6 in 1820 to about 0.7 in 1910, and then stabilized around 0.7 between 1910 and 2020. It is too early to say whether the decline in the global Gini coefficient observed since 2000 will continue.

Sources and series: Chancel and Piketty (2021). See wid.world/longrun.