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Wealth is unevenly distributed by race. Although research has documented the differences in wealth between some racial categories, data on other races remains elusive. There is only limited evidence on what drives these differences in wealth holdings. Research has pointed to some evidence of the role of homeownership, education, income and family assistance. The mechanisms through which these variables impact wealth are poorly understood. The consequences of holding less wealth is significant. Wealth reduces material deprivation in the face of adverse life events such as unemployment or a health shock. Wealth provides the resources that increase the likelihood of making investments in human capital or buying a house in a preferred neighborhood. Yet we have only a limited understanding of the ways that wealth may play different roles in different groups.

The journal Race and Social Problems will publish a special issue focused on the various ways in which race influences wealth. Thomas Shapiro, Pokross Professor in Law and Social Policy at the Heller School for Social Policy and Management, Brandeis University, and Dr. Hannah Thomas, Abt Associates will be the guest editors for this special issue. A wide variety of topics related to the way in which race influences wealth will be considered. Articles that rely upon original empirical research are preferred, but theoretical, historical and policy-oriented articles will also be considered.

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