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Technology, trade, and the future of work

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Automation and globalization have both played a role in the hollowing out of manufacturing and male middle class jobs in most OECD nations. The IMF and other neo-liberal thought leaders have recently acknowledged that governments have not done enough to compensate those who have lost out from trade deals. But the public imagination has been more captured by the prospect of automation eliminating even more jobs.

We’ll explore the question, what role has automation and trade deals played in increasing labour market and income inequality in Canada? What does this mean for the future of work, and policy implications for addressing inequality in Canada and globally?

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