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Subject: Can the wealth index be used to measure wealth inequality?

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Hi,

I am in a tricky situation while doing some equity decomposition exercises and have to be able to respond to the query posted in the title, namely -

Can the DHS-provided wealth index score be used to measure wealth inequality (for a given round)?

In a bit more technical terms, I know that the scores have the property of 'ordinality', but what about 'cardinality'?

Would really appreciate a kind and prompt response

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