

### **Labor's Share of Income: Problems**

1. Provide evidence in support or refute of my claim that, as of September 2026, households are pessimistic about the state of the U.S. economy. Find a source not discussed in class.
2. Consider the economy of Kokomo. In 2026, workers earn \$2.5 million and wages and \$500,000 in related benefits. Firms make \$2 million in profits. What is labor's share of income.
3. Now suppose that labor's share declines to 50% in Kokomo without there being any inflation. Are worker's worse off?
4. True or False? AI might explain the decline in U.S. labor share that began around 2000.