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# U of M Makes Analysis of Family Income ANN ARBOR — Family income hit an all-time high in Detroit durwere signs that the auto indox swere signs that the auto

ANN ARBOR — Family income hit an all-time high in Detroit during 1957. But early this year, there were signs that the auto industry recession was having its greatest impact on those families least able

to afford it.

These are two of the principal findings of the University of Michigan Detroit area study's (DAS) annual analysis of family income in Wayne, Macomb, and Oakland counties. The DAS is associated with the U-M department of sociology and institute for social research.

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DAS Director Harry Sharp re-ports that typical family income
\$6,300 last year, up 4200 from
1965. This furgue includes money
from all sources received by those
persons who are related by blood
or marriage and are living togethtroit area families had incomes
greater than this amount, half had
leas.

less.
But those families whose breadwinner was unemployed in February and March this year had typical 1957 incomes \$2,500 less than
"The current recession seems to
be having its greatest impact on
those workers least able to withstand an economic setback," he
comments.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS from the DAS fámily income study: During the past seven years, median family income in the Detection of the past seven in the Detection of the past seven in the Detection of the Date of the Da

White family income to a rate somewhat greater than that of Negroes. It was not a more than that of Negroes and the second of th

mained "substantially above" those of white-collar clerical and sales "INCOME CHANGES in the 1951-57 interval show the most dramatic shifts almost three times as many Detroit area households had incomes over \$10,000 in 1957 as and incomes of \$7,000 or more last year—twice the 1951 proportion. But at the other end of the income scale three the 1951 proportion. But at the other end of the income scale three households in the control of the income scale three three proportion of families with incomes below \$3,000. This group fell from only 16 to 12 per cent. Of the families studied.

"While some low income families moved into middle income had been some families and the studied income migrants to Detroit, this movement is probably not as great as that of middle income families into upper levels and already high families moved in the great as that of middle income families into upper levels and already high families moving even in the studies of the studie

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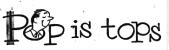
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