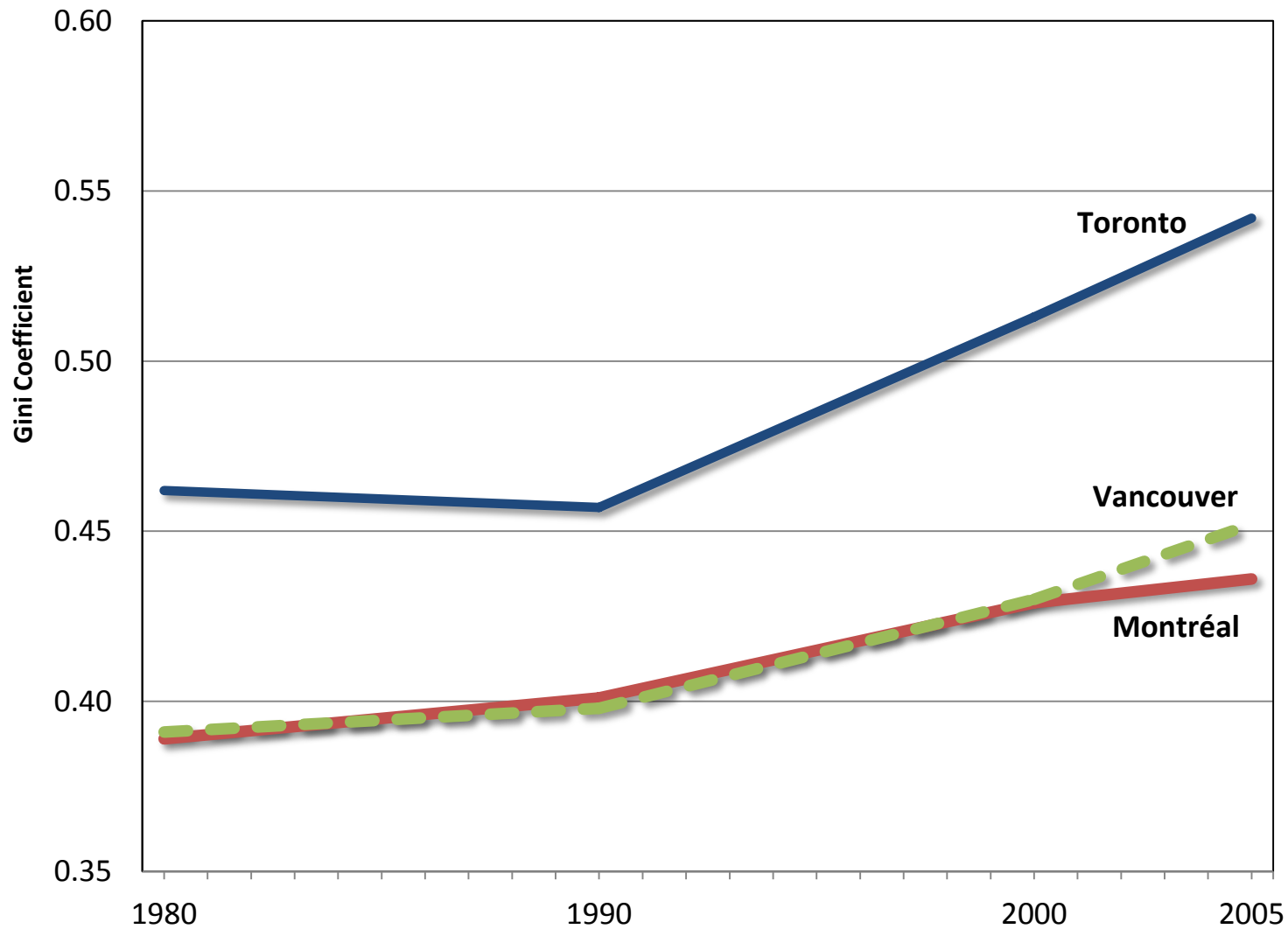


Figure 2

## Income Inequality among Individuals in Canada's Three Largest Metropolitan Areas (CMAs): Gini Coefficients 1980–2005



A Gini coefficient value of 0.0 represents perfect equality. All individuals would have the exact same proportion of income relative to their share of the population. A Gini coefficient value of 1.0 represents perfect inequality. All of the income would be taken by one single individual while others take none.

Notes  
Calculated by the authors from total individual income from all sources, before-tax using census microdata.  
Source: Statistics Canada, Census microdata 1981–2006.