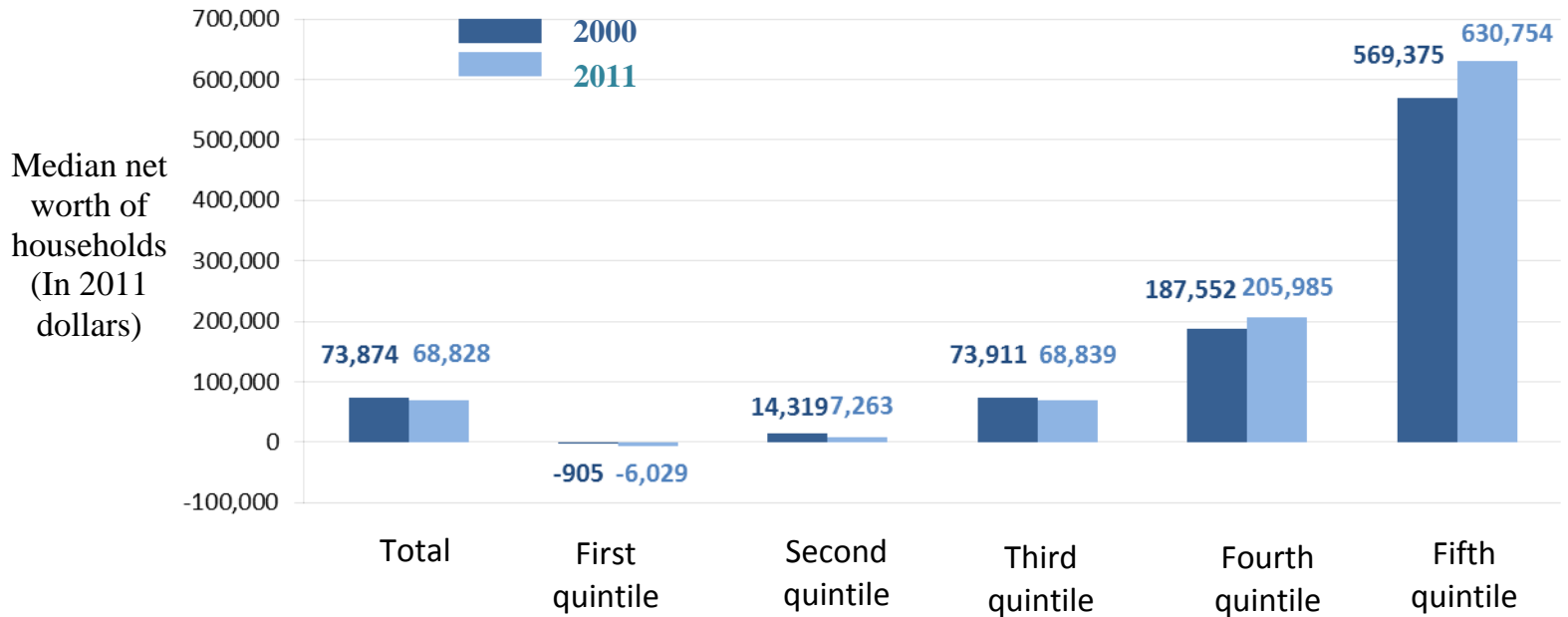


Figure 1. Median Household Net Worth, by Net Worth Quintiles: 2000 to 2011¹



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Survey of Income and Program Participation, 1996 and 2008 Panels.

¹ All dollar figures are in 2011 constant dollars. The inflation adjustment factor of 1.34 was used to convert 2000 figures into 2011 dollars. Median net worth statistics within quintiles of the net worth distribution are at the 10th, 30th, 50th, 70th, and 90th percentiles. The first, or the bottom, net worth quintile includes households with zero or negative net worth. Net worth may be zero or negative because a household's gross wealth is zero or because the value of a household's liabilities exceeds the value of its assets. Due to weighting, the median of the third quintile may not exactly match the median of the overall net worth distribution.