

# The Social Dimensions of the Crisis

*The Evidence and its Implications*

## 4 Main Conclusions



- 1** Most people have been impacted, at least to some extent, by the crisis.



- 2** Those who were least well off prior to the economic crisis remain so [lone parents, the unemployed and those with disabilities].



- 3** Those who have lost jobs, had business failures, seen large falls in income or wealth, or who carry a large excess debt burden are experiencing an effect of a different order.



- 4** Policies and institutions matter.



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