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"There's really nothing in [the OAS's] latest so-called preliminary audit that shows that there was any fraud in this election. But it was repeated over and over again," **Weisbrot** [told Democracy Now](#). The coup came after "The Trump administration and the OAS...tried — without offering any evidence — to discredit Bolivia's national election in the past couple of weeks," **Weisbrot** [wrote](#) at The Nation.

CEPR's **Andrea M. Beaty** and **Shawn Fremstad** prepared a [report](#) comparing rental housing and homelessness policies expressed or proposed by most of the presidential candidates of the two major parties. This report documents the candidates' positions on a broad range of rental housing policy, including affordability, housing assistance, tenant protections, discrimination, and homelessness. In addition, it outlines the current funding levels of selected federal housing and homelessness programs.

Inflation inequality is one more reason the US must update its poverty measure, [writes Shawn Fremstad](#). Citing research by the Groundwork Collaborative, **Fremstad** notes that the US "is the only country in the world...using a poverty line set over half a century ago and since then only adjusted for inflation."

Eileen Appelbaum will be a featured presenter at *The Hidden Costs of Healthcare*, a special two-hour event hosted by the Institute for New Economic Thinking (INET). The event draws attention to important, but overlooked, factors contributing to rising healthcare costs, including groundbreaking research from **Appelbaum** and Rosemary Batt into the role private equity firms play in [surprise medical billing](#).

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"The intellectual authors of this crime have yet to face justice."

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CEPR in the News

New York Magazine, quoting **Eileen Appelbaum**, [The Senseless Death of Deadspin](#)

BBC World News, interviewing **Mark Weisbrot**, [The Bolivian Elections](#)

New York Times, quoting **Dean Baker**, [Bill Gates, I Implore You to Connect Some Dots](#)

CNN, citing **CEPR**, [Bolivia's Evo Morales on Plane to Mexico Amid Political Crisis](#)

MarketPlace Radio, quoting **Dean Baker**, [Worker Productivity Declined for First Time in Four Years](#)

Thom Hartmann Program, interviewing **Guillaume Long**, [Right Wing Oligarchs Behind Bolivian Coup Exposed!](#)

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by **Shawn Fremstad**

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