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**What is 'reserve army of labour' ? Present the position of feminist scholars on this**

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**Marx**

Industrial reserve army as a necessary product of capitalist accumulation.

**Hartmann**

Patriarchy and capital together use women as a flexible labour reserve.

**Oakley**

Housework is work; the housewife is not outside the labour question.

**NSSO / PLFS**

Female labour-force figures that undercount home-based and unpaid work.

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