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ENTERTAINING LIES



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24th most popular site

20,158th most popular

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The screenshot shows the Good News Network website homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Good News Network logo and links for GOOD NEWS, GOOD TALKS, GOOD GIFTS, GET INVOLVED, ABOUT US, and ESPAÑOL. Below this is a large featured article with a quote from Walt Whitman: 'The proof of a poet is that his country absorbs him as affectionately as he has absorbed it.' (born 200 years ago today). Below the quote is a 'Latest Articles' section with several article teasers: 'As Disabled Man Frantically Wheels Himself Home Before Tornado, Teen Hops Out of His Car to Help', 'Atlanta is Transforming an Abandoned Plot of Land into the Largest Public Food Forest in the US', 'After Mailman Puts Off Retirement Out of Love for Neighbors, Hundreds of People Send Him on Dream Vacation', 'When the World Hears About Cello Prodigy Living in Poverty, it Sends a Crescendo of Blessings', 'Elderly Man Gazing Fondly at His Date in McDonald's Inspires Thousands of Romantics Online', and 'Teen Girls Have Raised Over \$1.5 Million for Clean Water Simply By Embracing Their Love of Origami'. On the right side, there is a 'Want A Morning Jolt of Good News?' section with an email sign-up form and a 'Sign Me Up' button. Below that is an 'On This Day in History' section featuring a portrait of Walt Whitman and a 'Good News in History, May 31' article.



We believe what they say.



We don't believe what they don't say.

The New York Times

*After Another Mass Shooting,
Another Virginia Governor
Tries to Change Gun Laws*



NATIONAL

After Virginia Beach Shooting, Gov. Ralph Northam Calls Session On Gun Violence



Chicago experiences most violent weekend of 2019: 52 shot, 10 killed



Gun violence: Worse or better than last year?

People's Beliefs

Reality

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2016	Worse!	2016	Worse!

But the bad years have been really bad!



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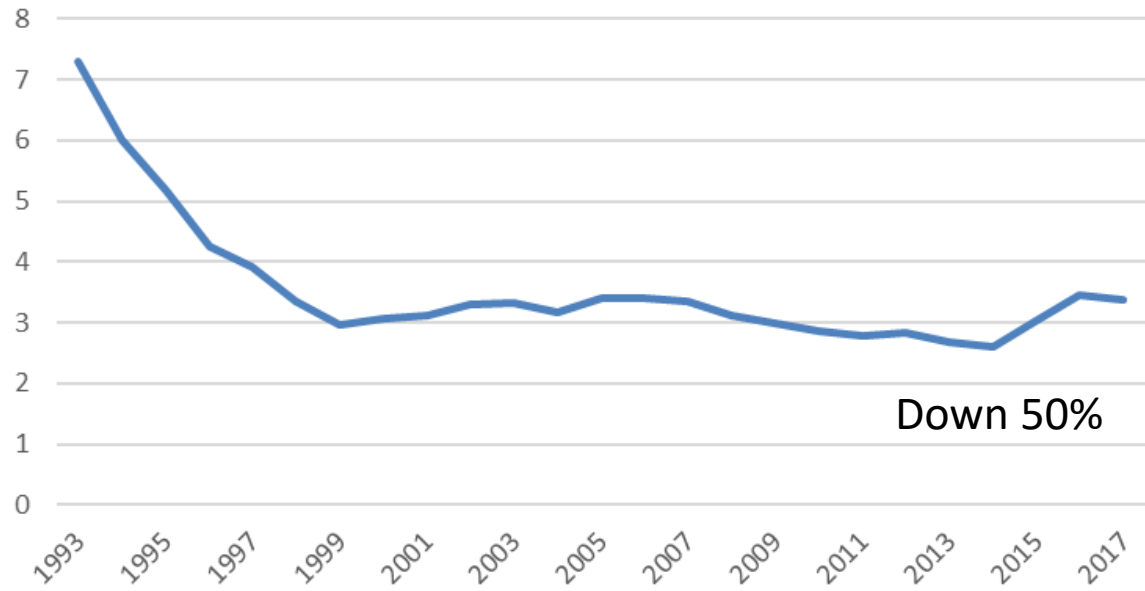
2011 **Worse!**

2012 **Worse!**

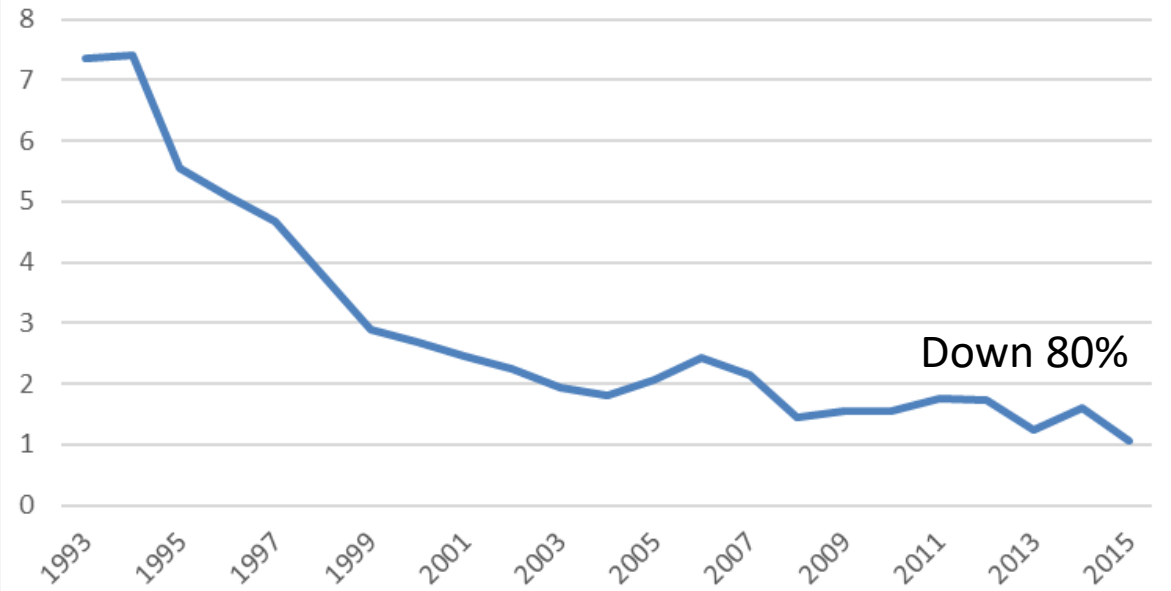
2013
2014
2015

2016 **Worse!**

Firearm Homicides (per 100,000 people)



Nonfatal Firearm Victims (per 1,000 people)



Tampa Bay Times
FLORIDA'S BEST NEWSPAPER tampabay.com • • THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2018 1 B

DEADLY TOLL: 17

The Boston Globe
MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2019

This is what we've become

Miami Herald

SHOOTING IN LAS VEGAS

'PURE EVIL'
 Gunfire, then carnage; death toll at least 59

Journal Star

Monday, August 5, 2019 pjstar.com | [@pjstar](https://twitter.com/pjstar) | facebook.com/journalstar | \$2.50

20 people killed in shooting at a shopping complex Saturday in El Paso, Texas

HORROR

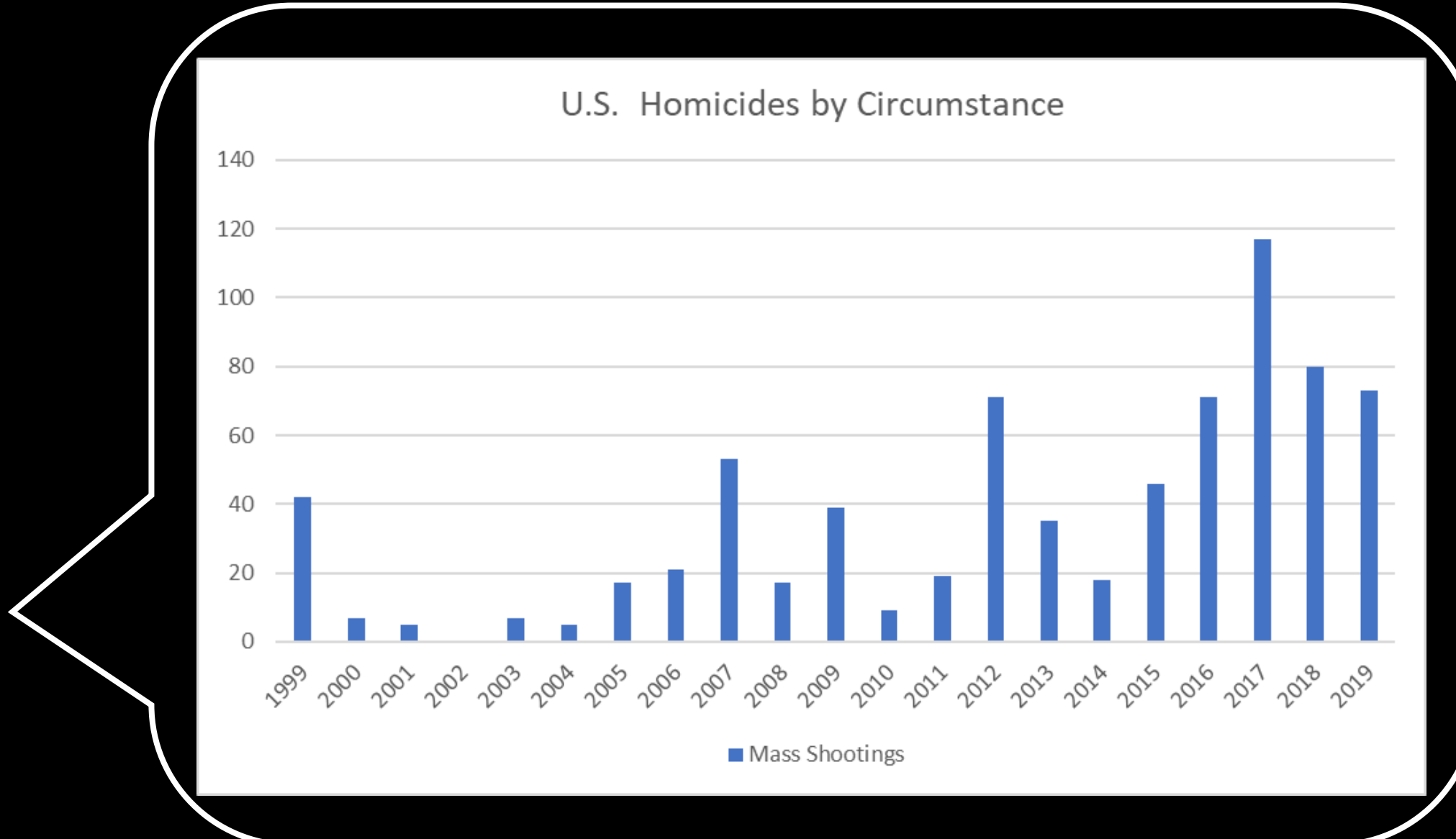
Gunman kills nine, including his sister, at an entertainment district in Dayton, Ohio

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

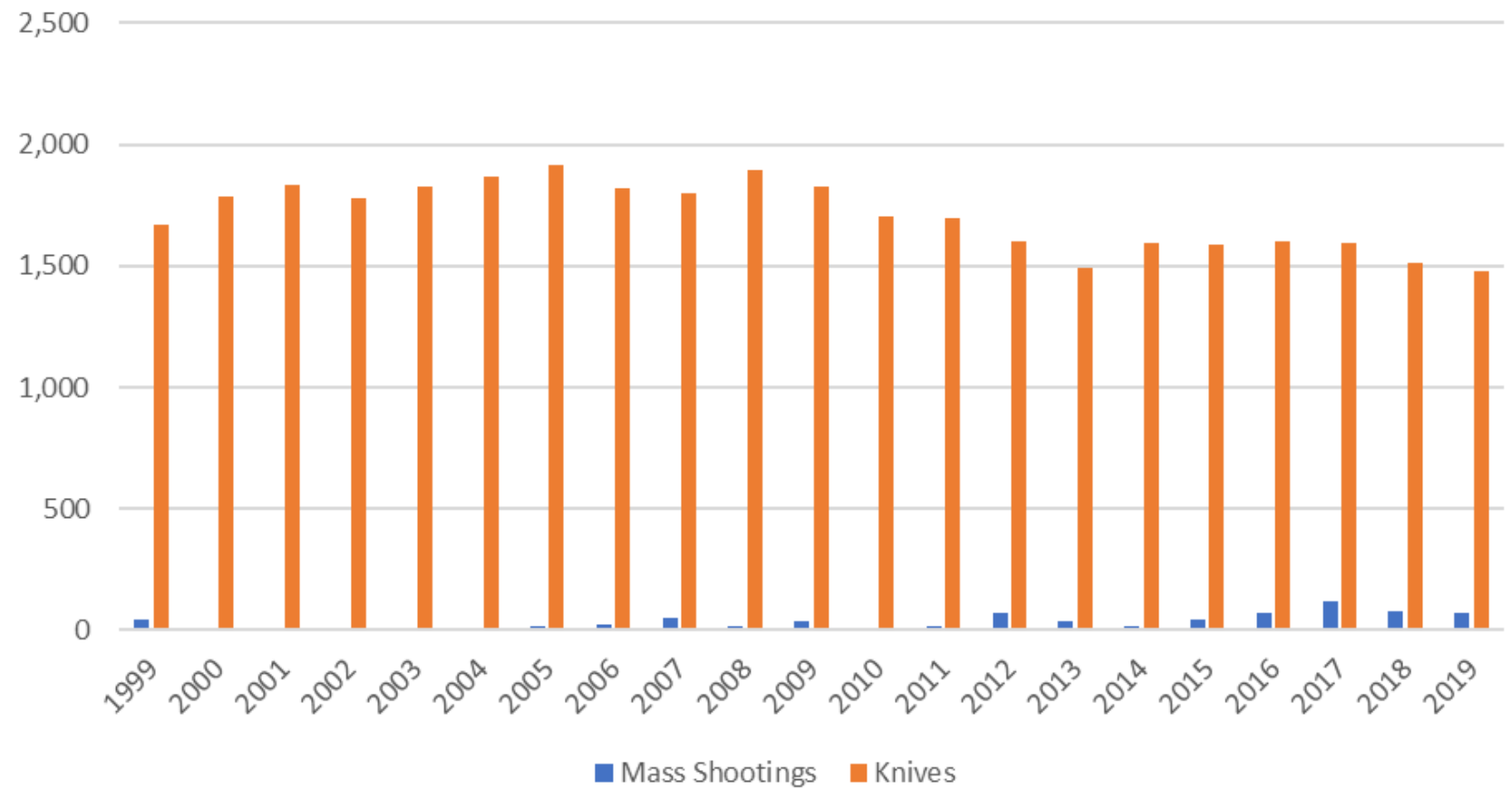
DOW JONES | *Market Gains* ***** MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2019 - VOL. CCLXXIV NO. 30 WSJ.com ***** \$4.00

Lastweek: DJA 20485.02 ▲ 707.44 2.6% NASDAQ 8004.07 ▼ 3.9% S&P500 270.15 ▼ 1.2% 10-YR.TREASURY ▲ 1 31/32, yield 1.004% OIL 55.66 ▼ \$0.54 EURO 1.1109 YEN 104.58

Two Mass Shootings Leave 29 Dead



U.S. Homicides by Circumstance



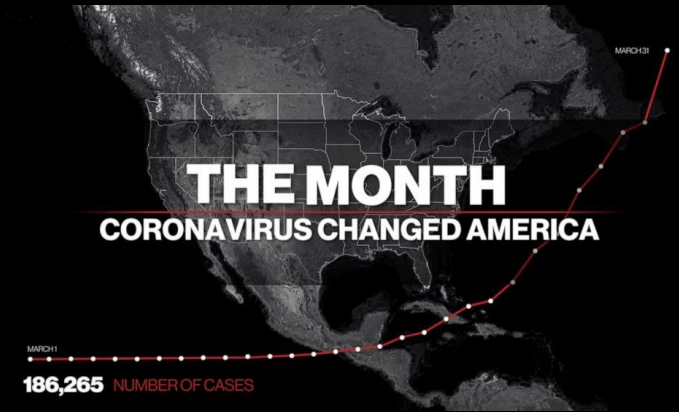
"All the News That's Fit to Print"

The New York Times

Late Edition
 Today, morning clouds giving way to sunshine by the afternoon, high 65. Tonight, cloudy, low 54. Tomorrow, clouds giving way to sunshine, high 70. Weather map is on Page 23.

VOL. CLXIX ... No. 58,703 © 2020 The New York Times Company NEW YORK, SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2020 \$6.00

U.S. DEATHS NEAR 100,000, AN INCALCULABLE LOSS



The Washington Post

Prices may vary in areas outside metropolitan Washington. M2 V1 V2 V3 V4

Afternoon t-storm 79/56 • Tomorrow: Partly sunny 71/47 C12 Democracy Dies in Darkness SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2020 • \$3.50

Death toll surges past 2,000 in U.S.

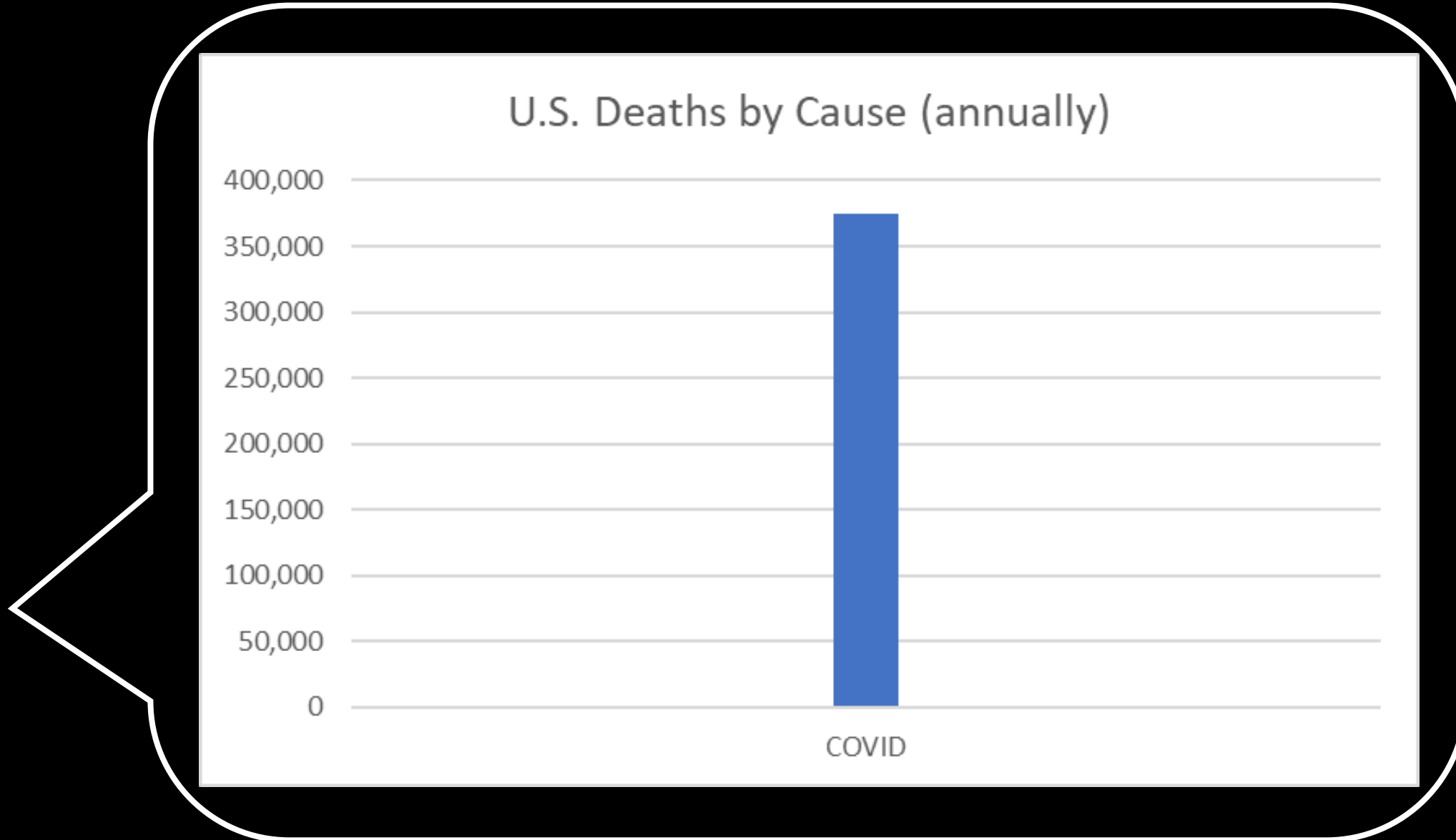
abc NEWS

CORONAVIRUS: 250,000 DEATHS

EXAMINED

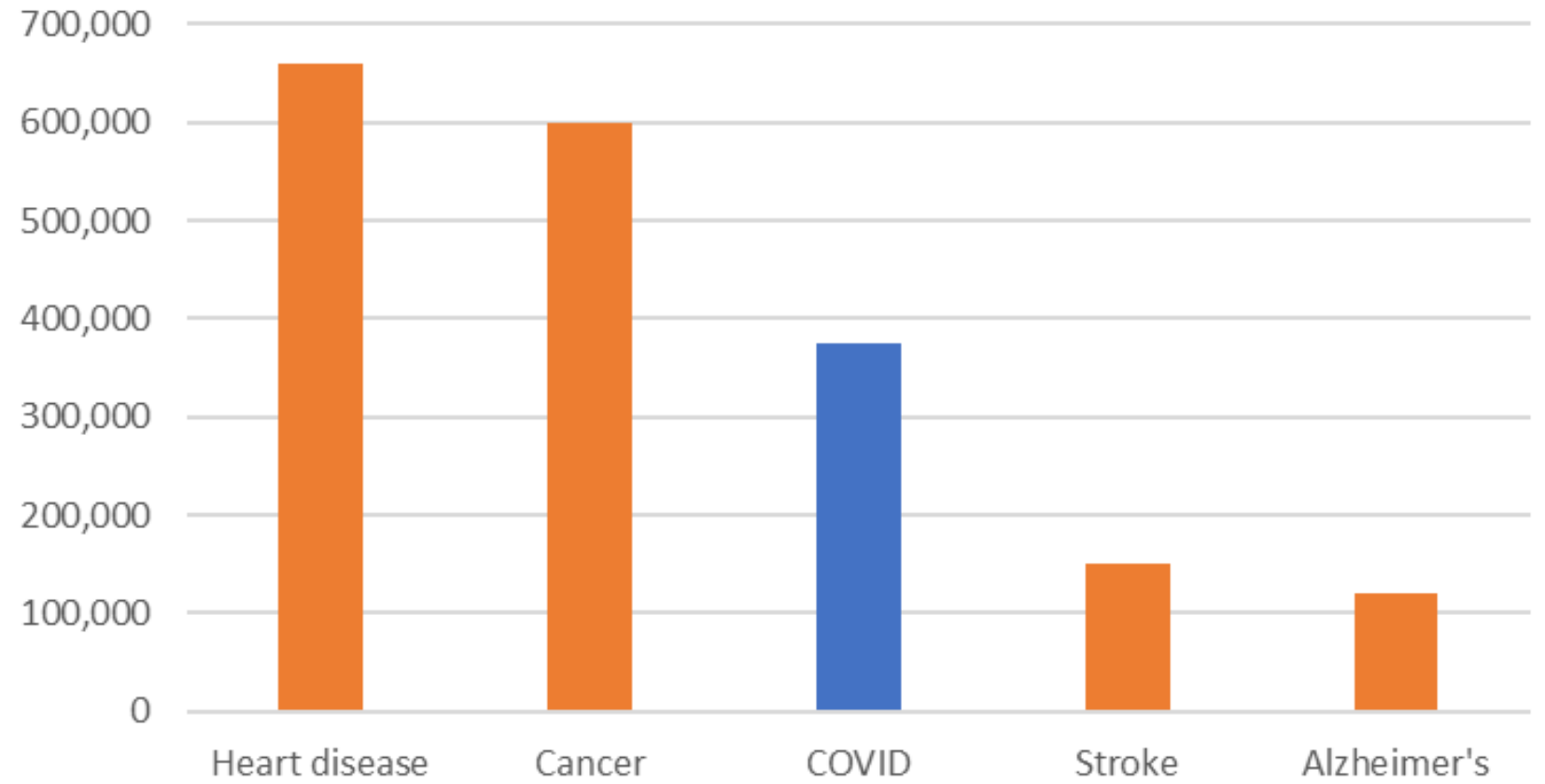
AP

US registering highest deaths yet from the coronavirus



Data source: Centers for Disease Control. COVID deaths are estimated for 2020 as of March 2021.

U.S. Deaths by Cause (annually)





NEWS ARTS & LIFE MUSIC SHOWS & PODCASTS SEARCH



ECONOMY

Why Wages Are Stagnating

3:51

September 3, 2018 · 5:06 AM ET

Heard on [Morning Edition](#)

+ PLAYLIST

The New York Times

Opinion

Why Real Wages Still Aren't Rising

BUSINESS INSIDER

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SOROS: Wage Stagnation Is HELPING The U.S. Economy

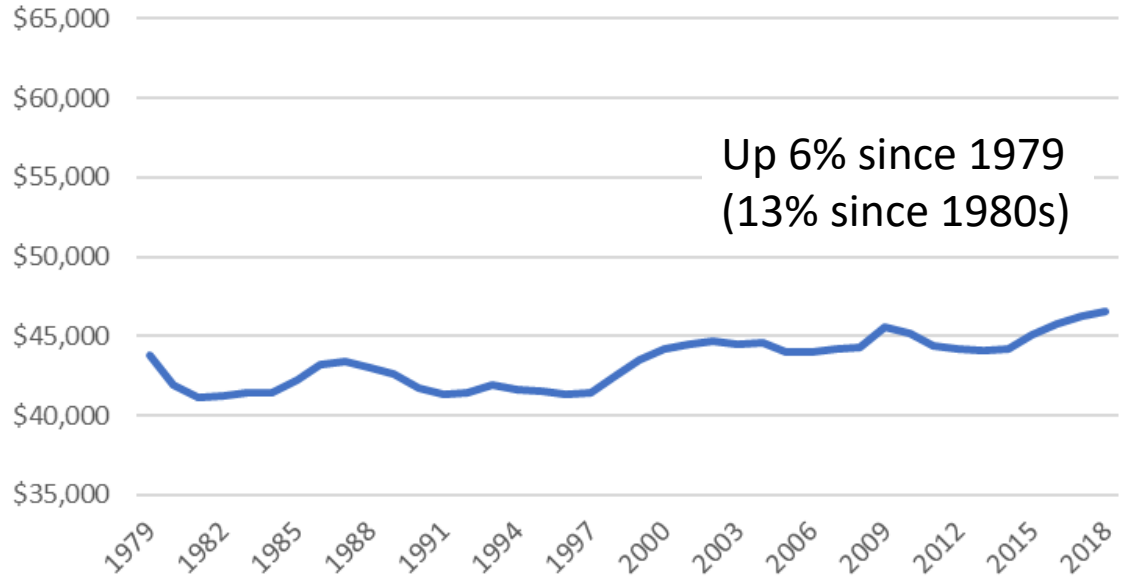
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Democracy Dies in Darkness

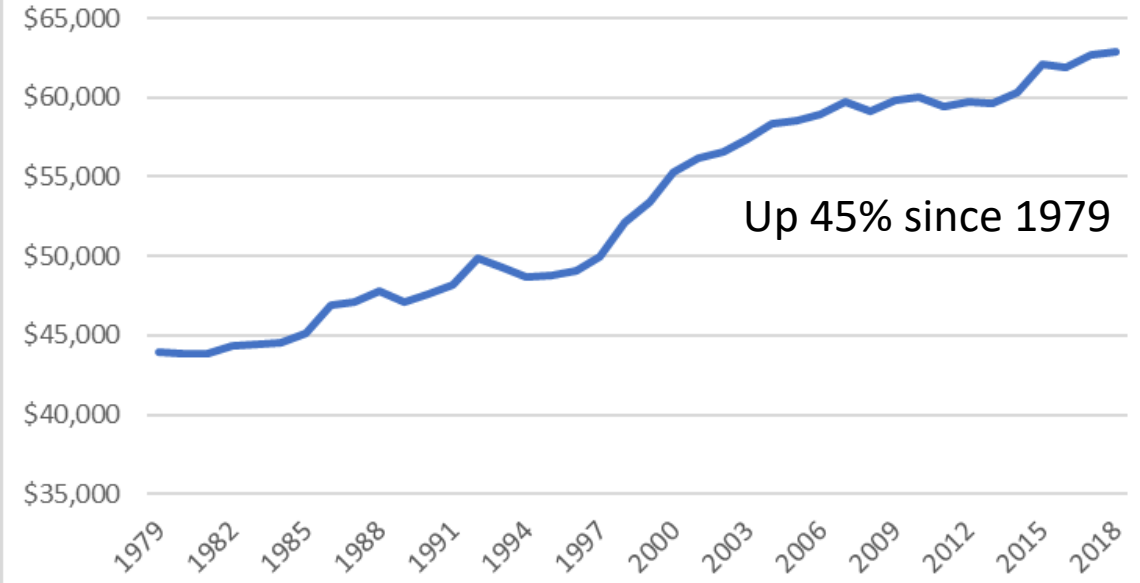
Opinions

Wages aren't rising. These theories could explain why.

Real Median Annual Wages (2018\$)



Real Median Annual Compensation (2018\$)



Data sources: Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Bureau of Labor Statistics

LISTEN
MONEYMATTERS

What Can Be Done to Save the Middle Class?

**The
Guardian**

Opinion

Sport

Culture

Lifestyle

The strange case of America's
disappearing middle class

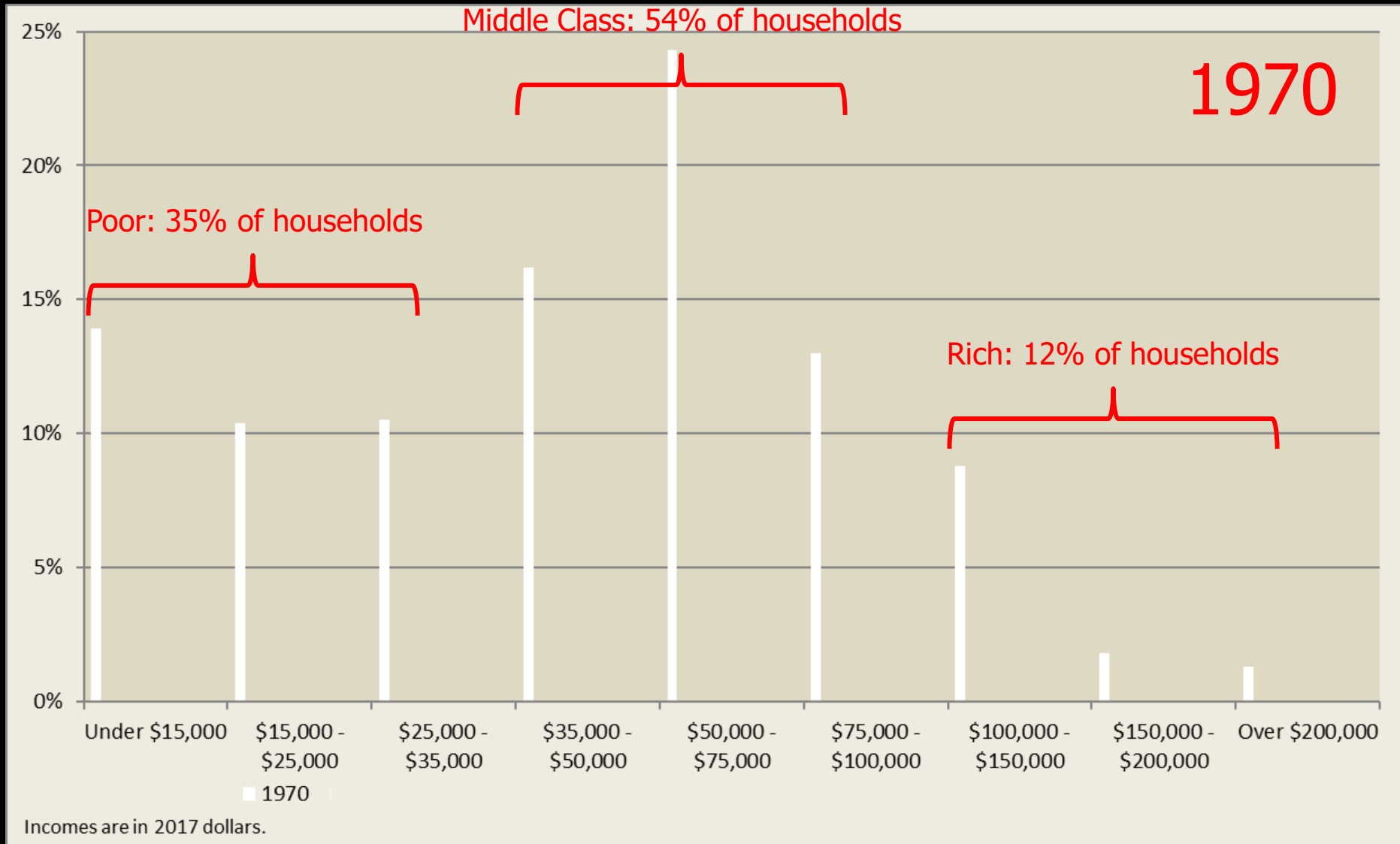
 **MONEY MORNING**
WE MAKE INVESTING PROFITABLE

Yes, America's Middle Class Is
Shrinking – Here's the Proof

BUSINESS
INSIDER

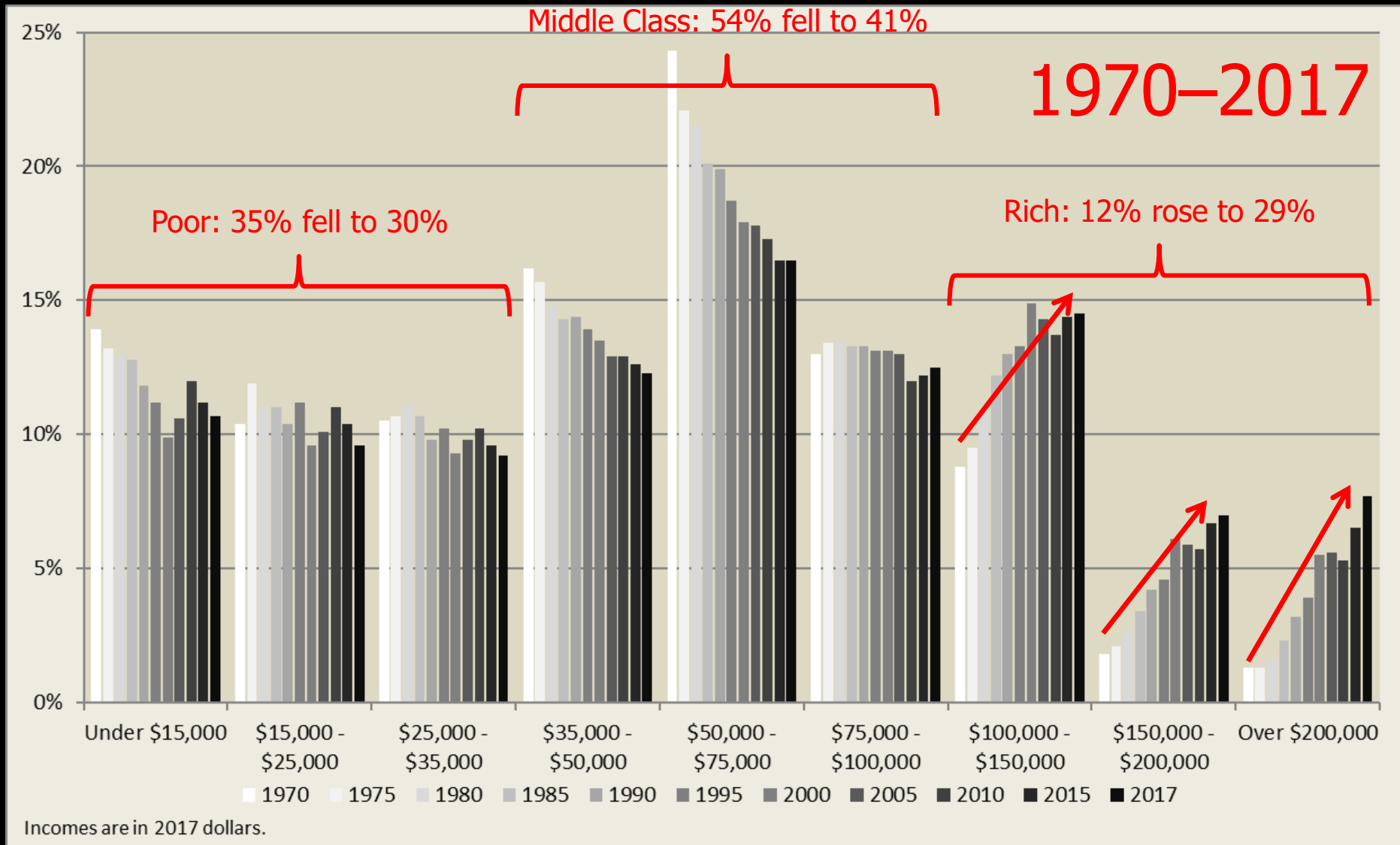
**The death of the American middle class has
brought department stores down with it**

U.S. Households According to Income



Data source: US Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, Table H-17.

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THE
NEW YORKER

ARE THINGS GETTING BETTER OR WORSE?

MarketWatch

Americans say they are worse off today than 50 years ago

Forbes

Lost Dream: 90% Of Americans Are Worse Off Today Than They Were In The Early 1970s

salon

Getting poorer while working harder

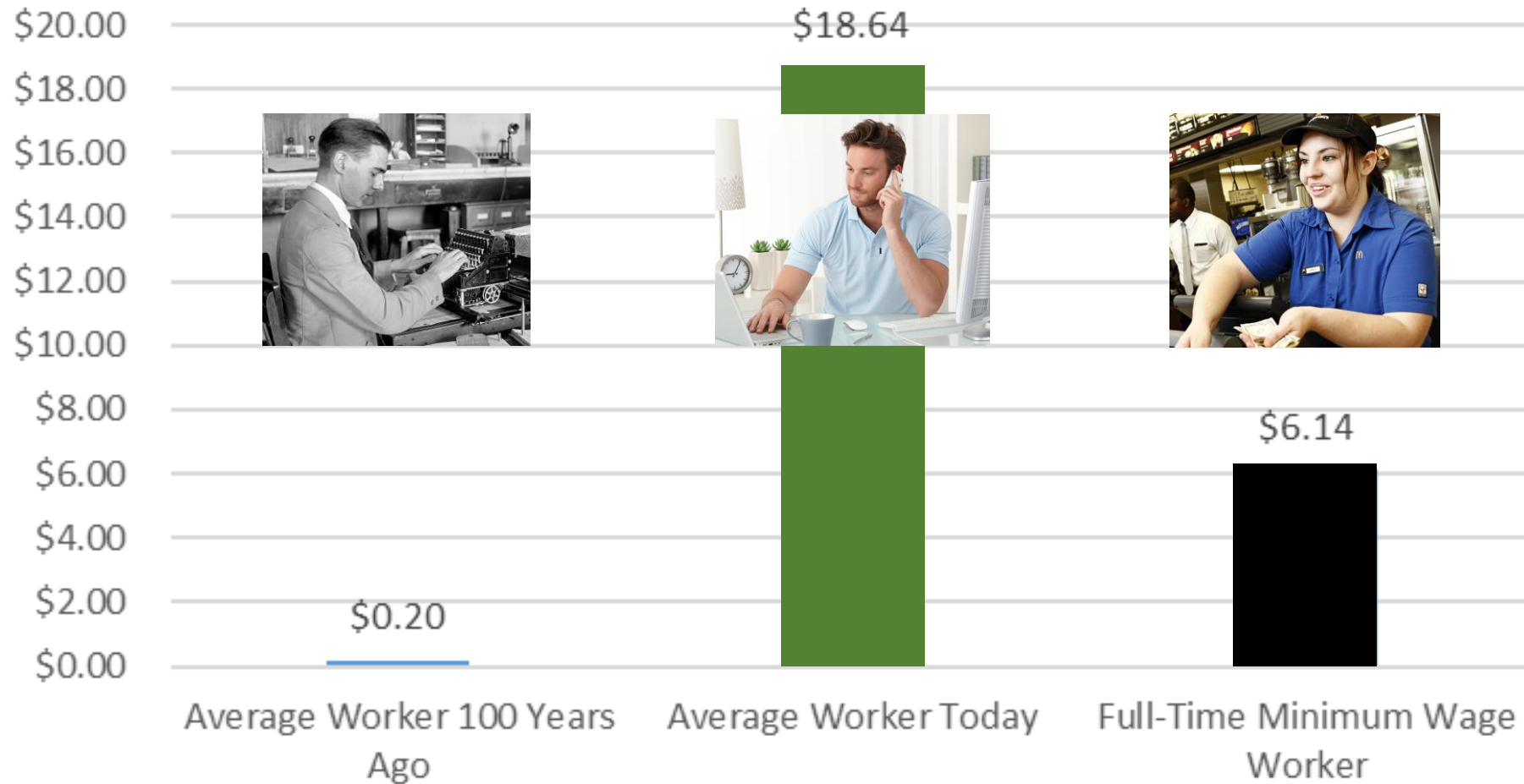
The typical American spends

- \$25 a month on streaming media
- \$50 a month on Internet
- \$80 a month on cell phone service
- \$100 a month on electricity
- \$200 a month on gas
- \$300 a month on health insurance

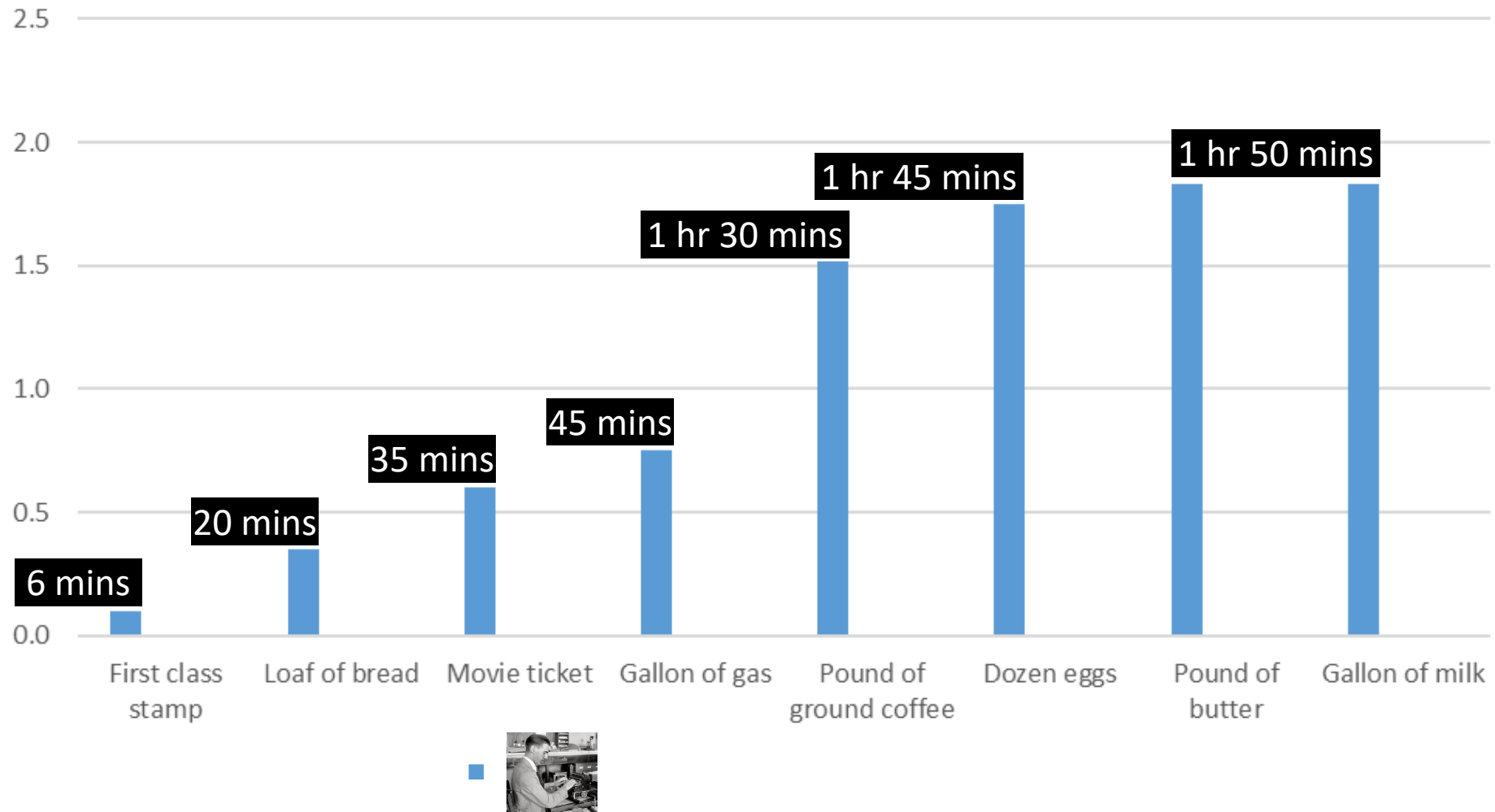


**Over \$9,000
annually!**

Take-Home Pay per Hour (excluding benefits)

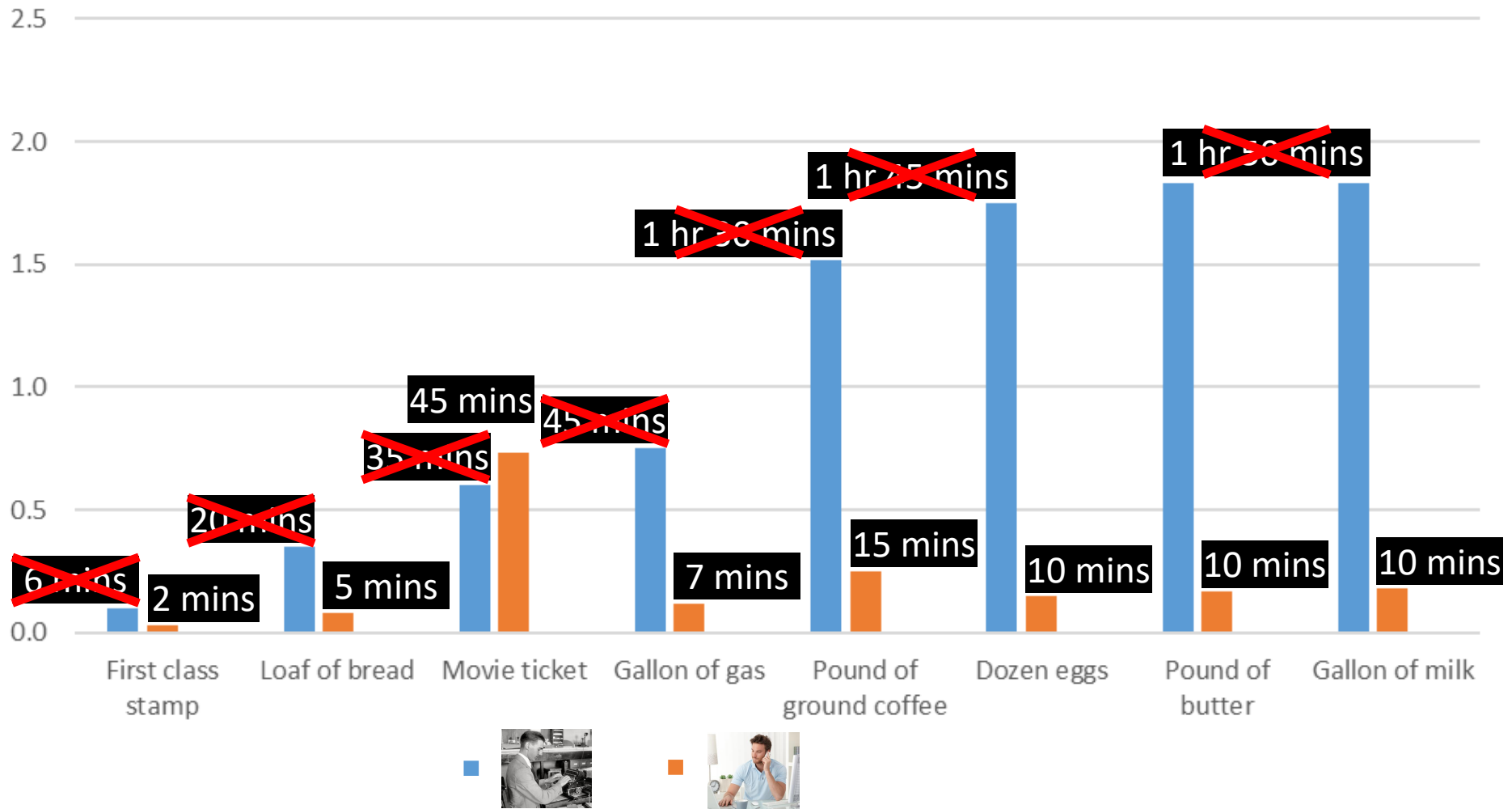


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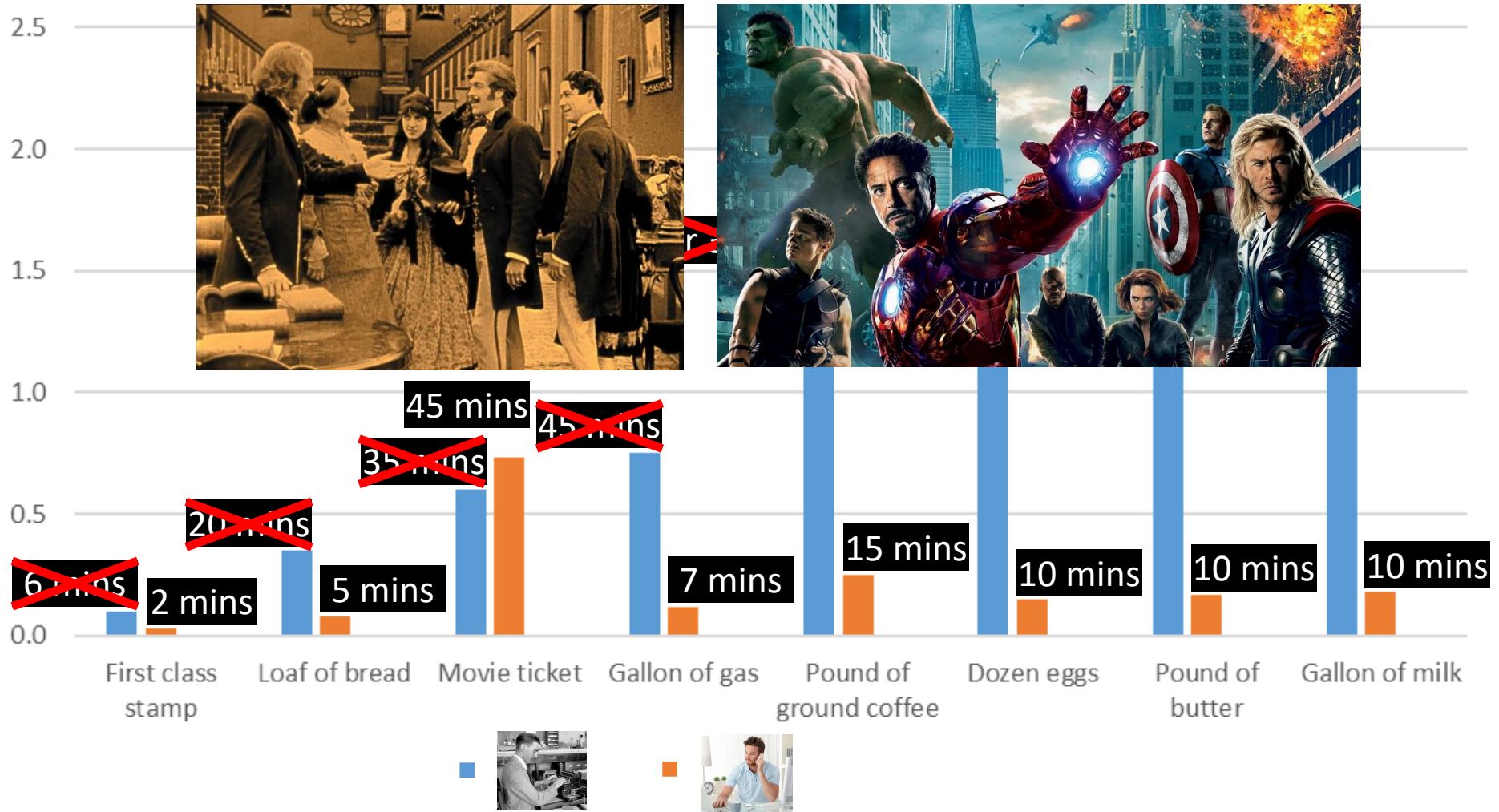
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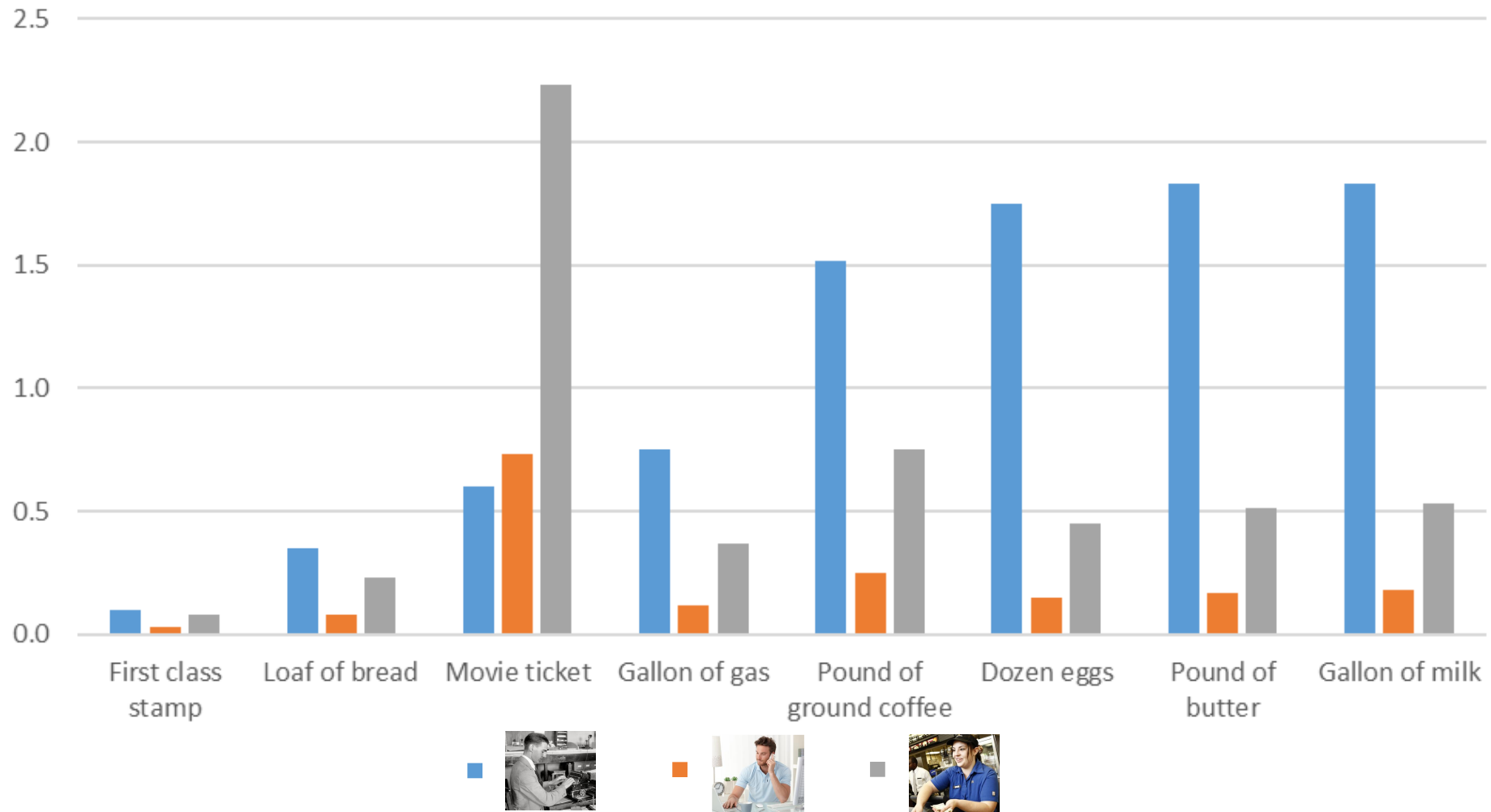
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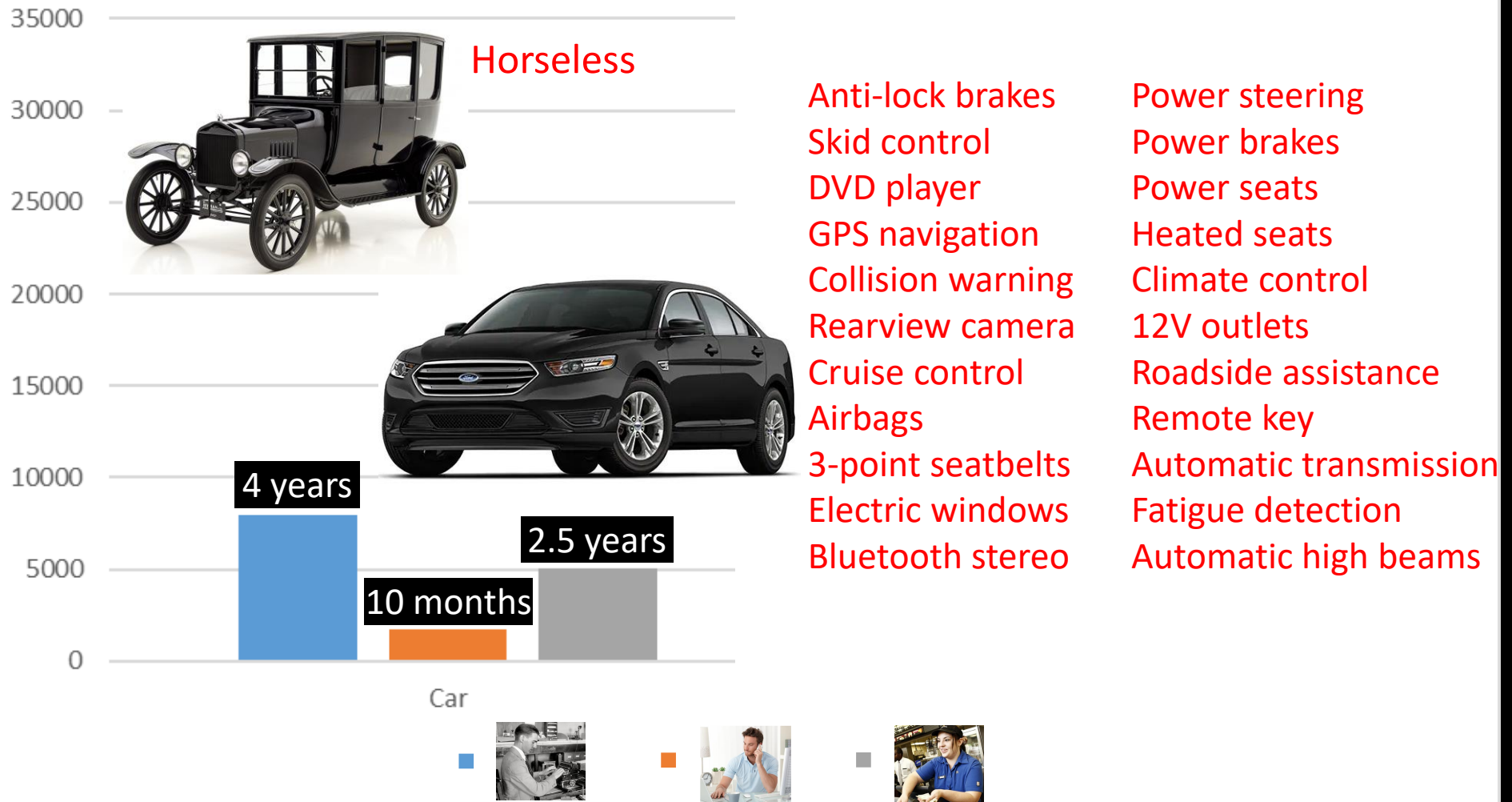
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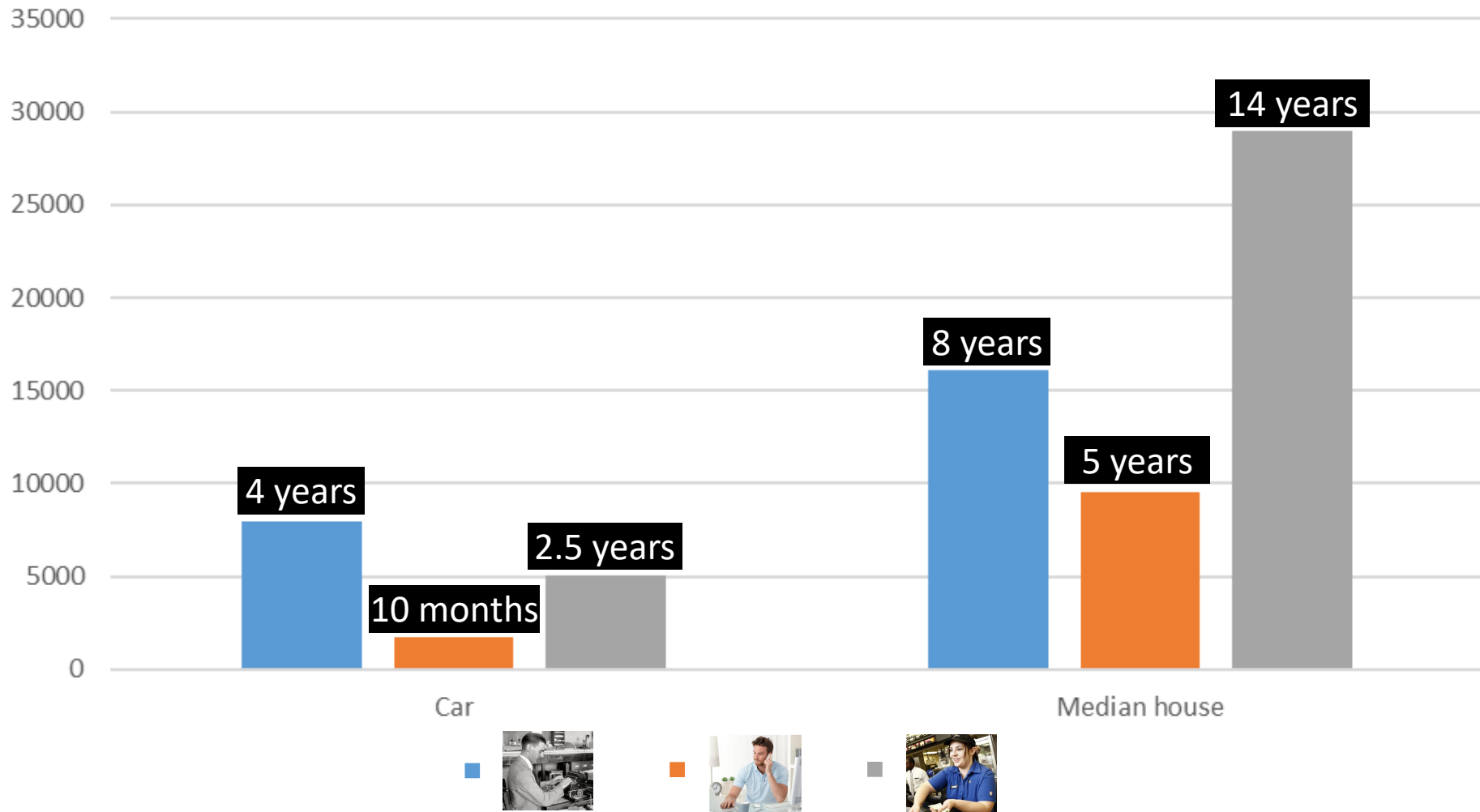


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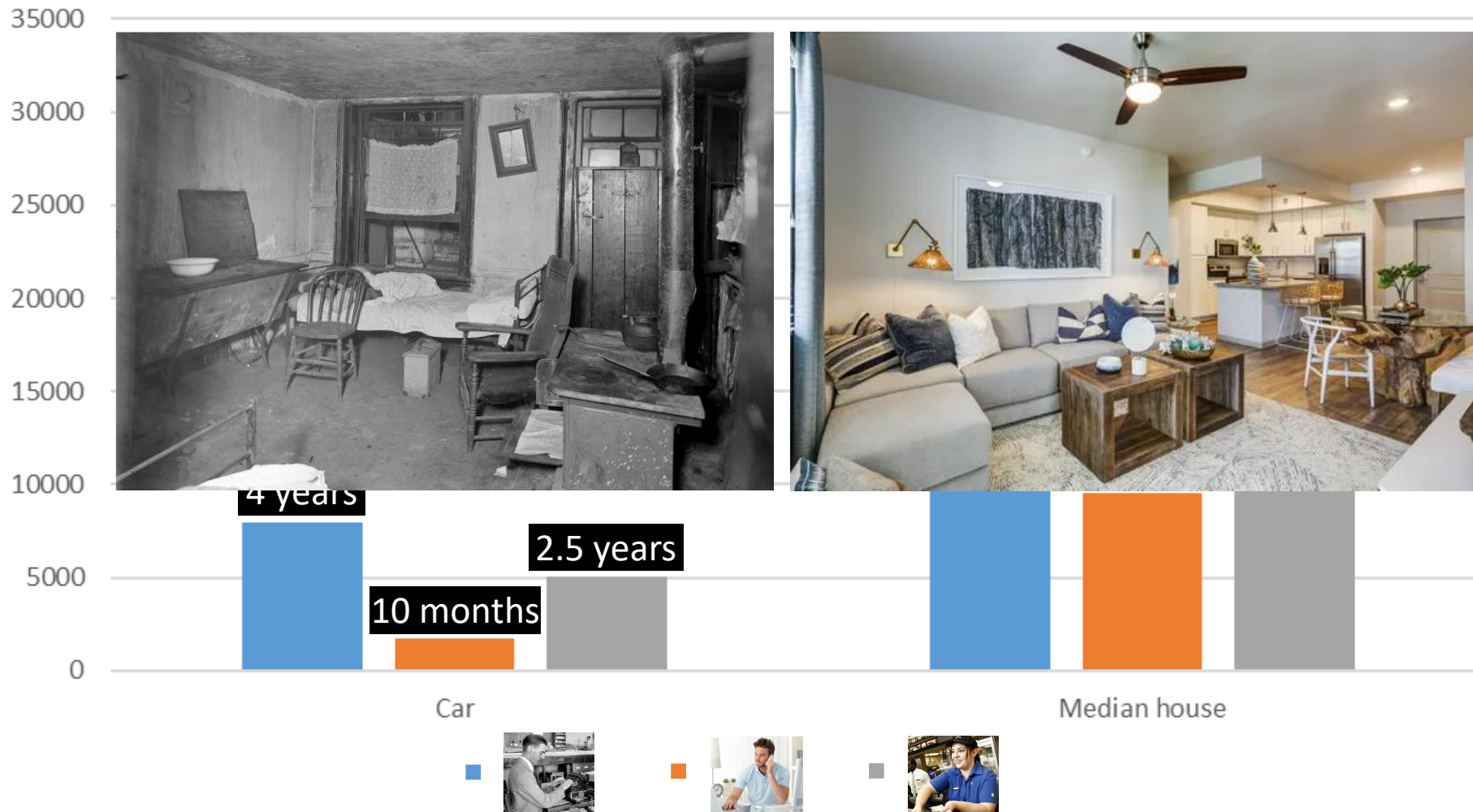


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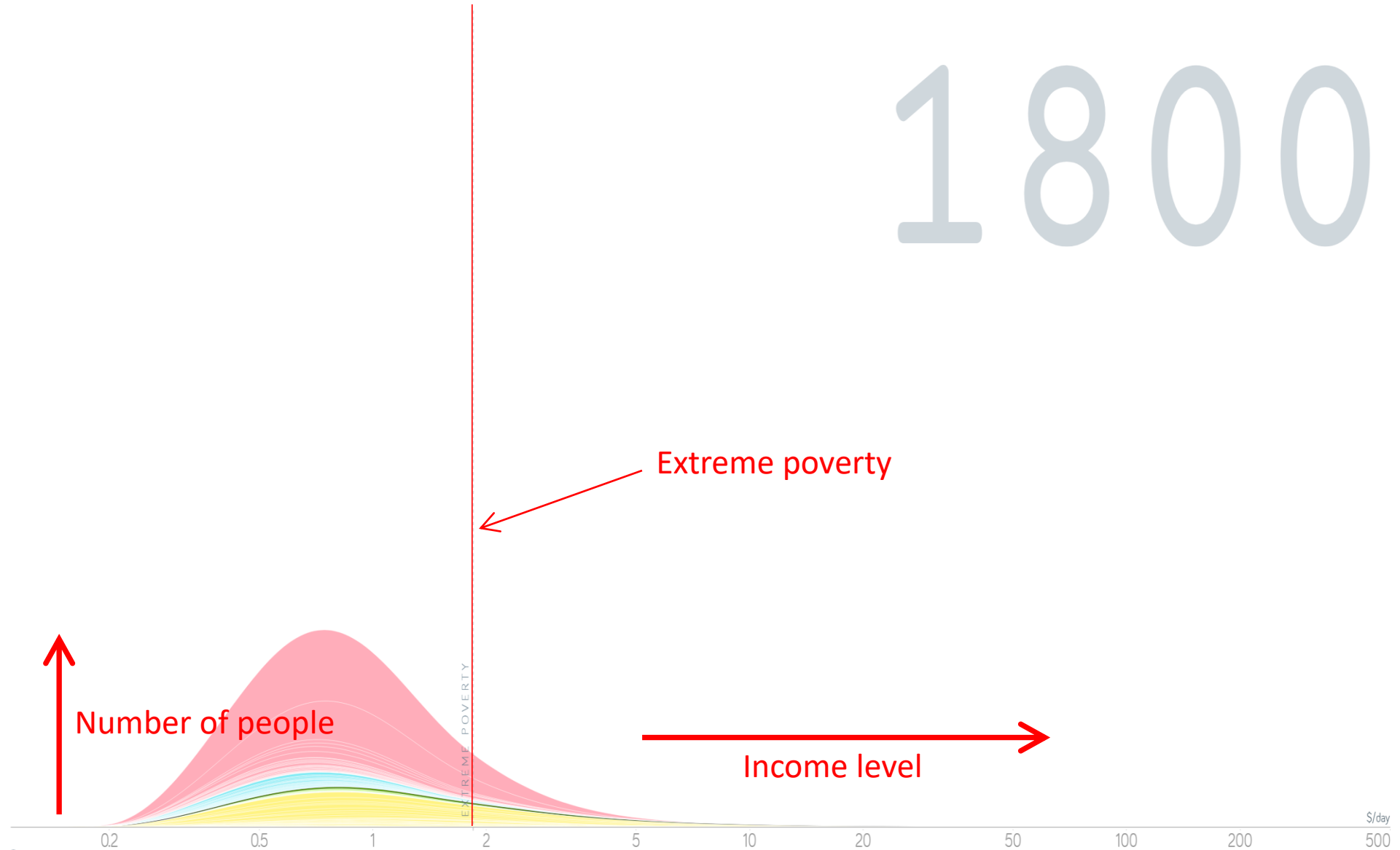


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Poverty in 2121

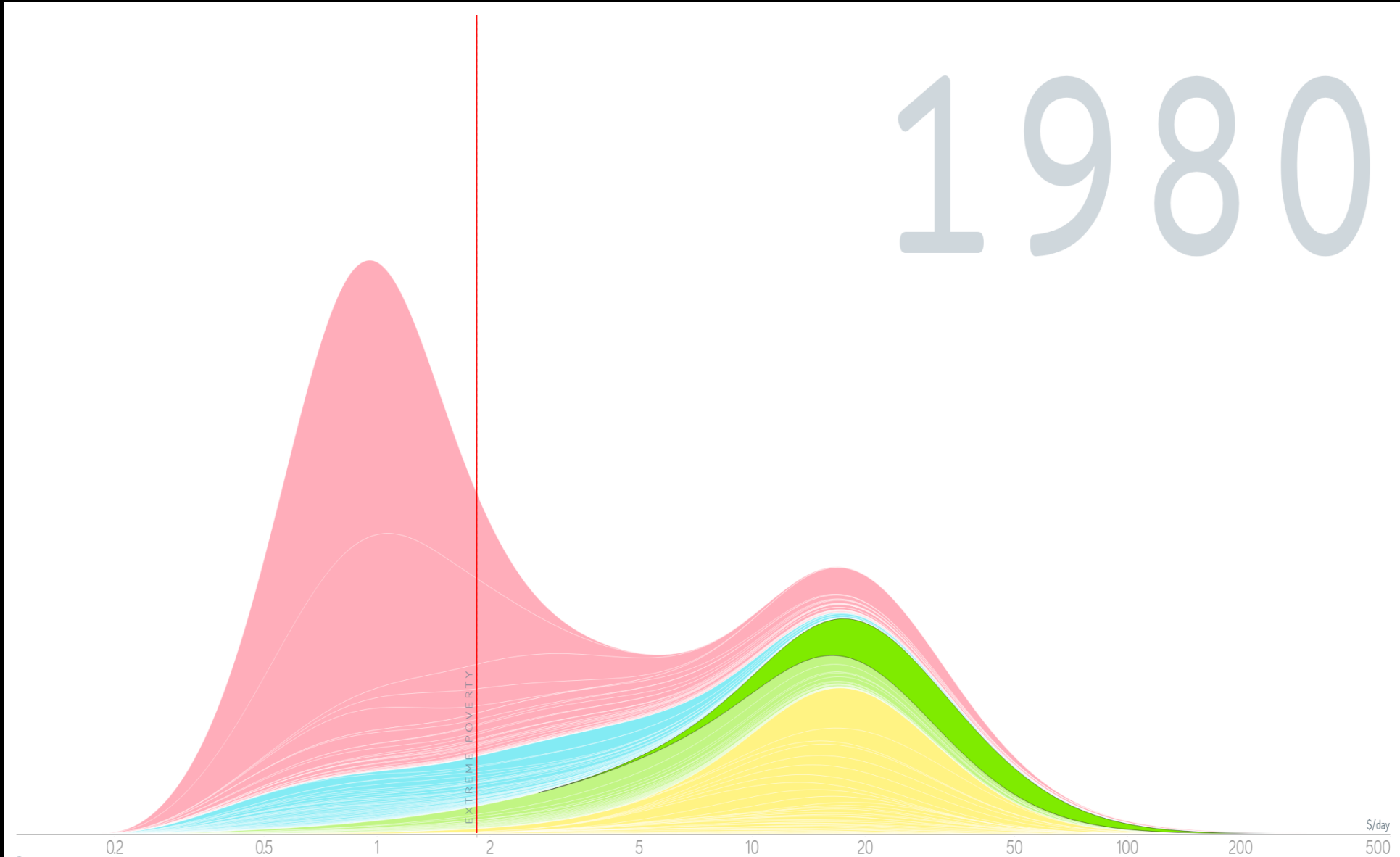


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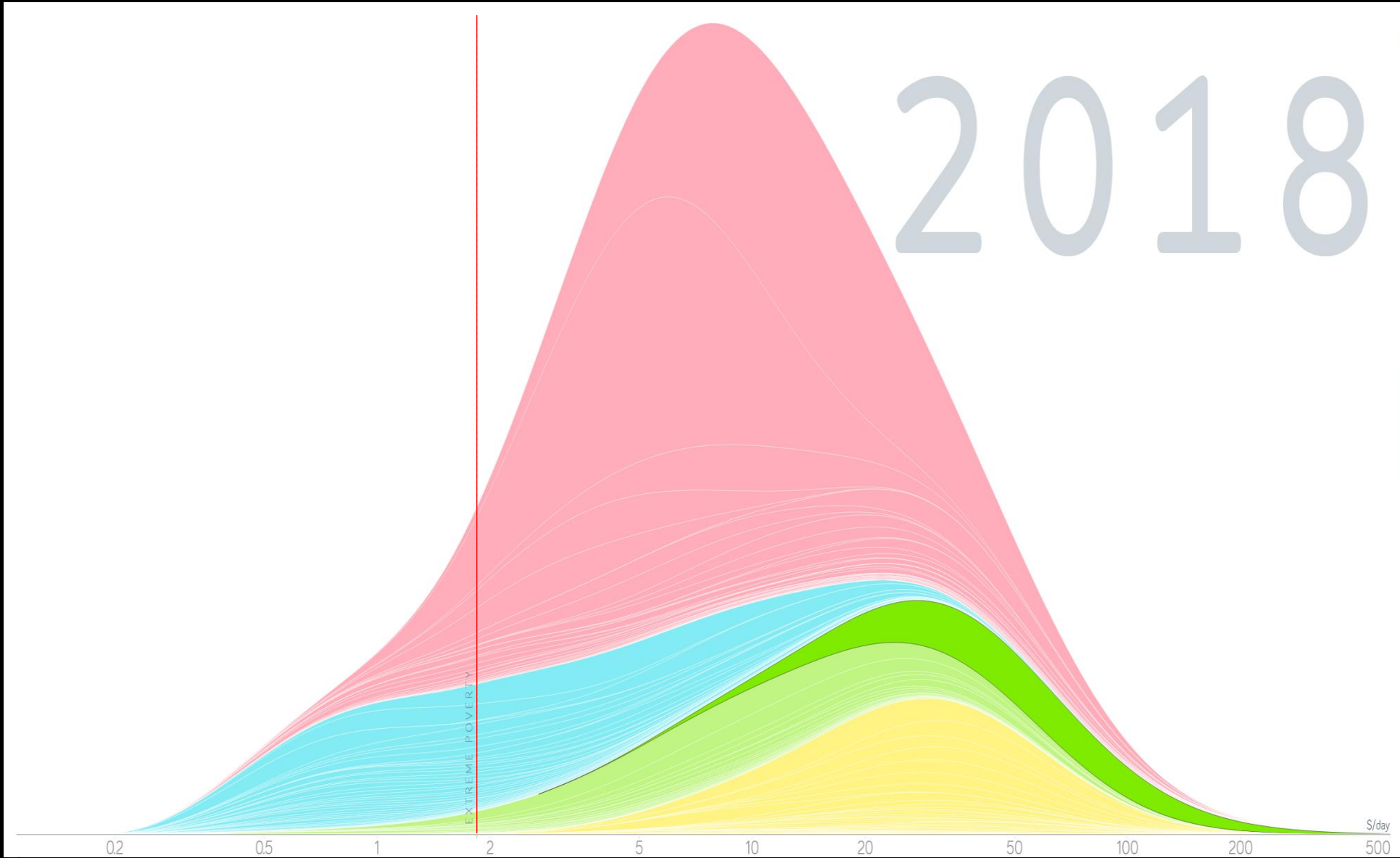


Data source: Gapminder.org

1980



Data source: Gapminder.org



Data source: Gapminder.org

Over the past one to two generations

Deaths due to war

Source: Uppsala Conflict Data Program

Down 95%

Income inequality

Source: World Bank

Down 10%

Extreme poverty

Source: United Nations Development Programme

Down 80%

Longevity and education **Up 20%**

Source: United Nations Development Programme

Child labor rates

Source: United Nations Development Programme

Down 50%

Real per-capita income **Up 40%**

Source: World Bank

Gender inequality

Source: United Nations Development Programme

Down 15%

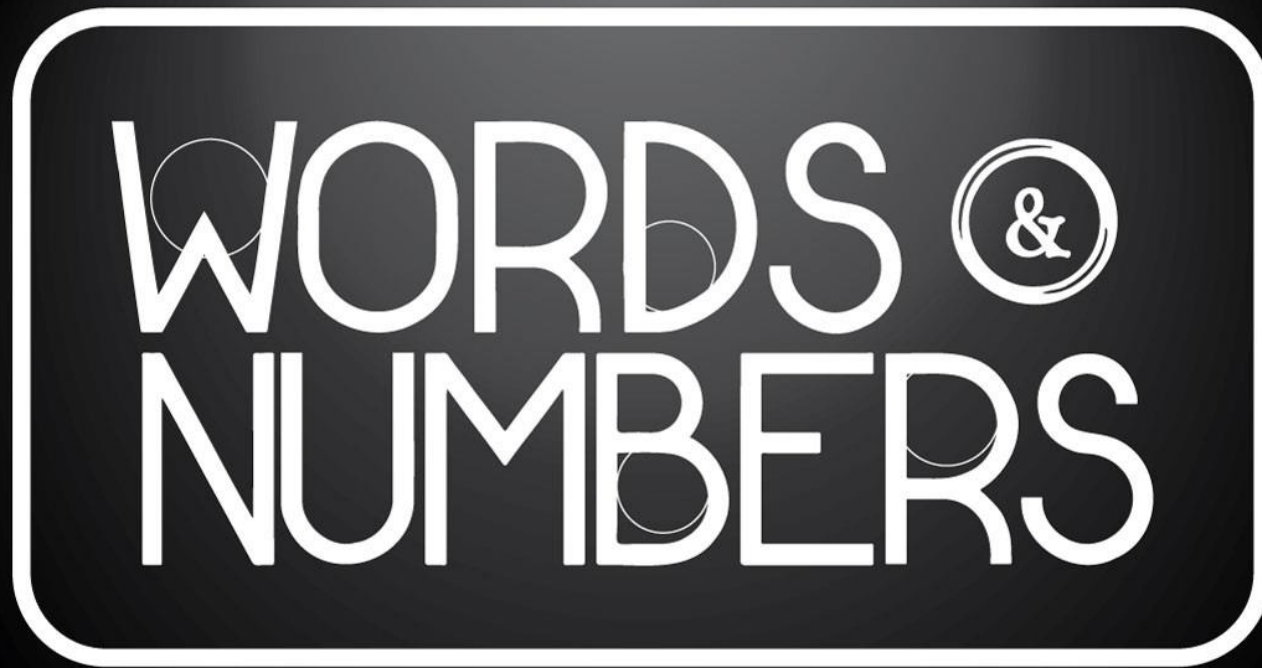


The world we believe we live in is unreal.

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The image is a newspaper clipping with a large headline: 'Man's 174-mph sneeze blows wife's hair off!'. Below the headline are two small photos of a man sneezing and a larger photo of a woman with a shaved head. The text describes the incident involving Reginald Kaulman and his wife Natalie. A sub-headline reads: 'This was worse than Hurricane Andrew' — Natalie Kaulman. At the bottom, there are two smaller news snippets: 'FIREMAN RESCUES TEEN'S PET SPIDER FROM BLAZING INFERNO!' and 'Squirrel steals lady's purse!'. The clipping is dated 'WEEKLY WORLD NEWS October 20, 2011'.



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