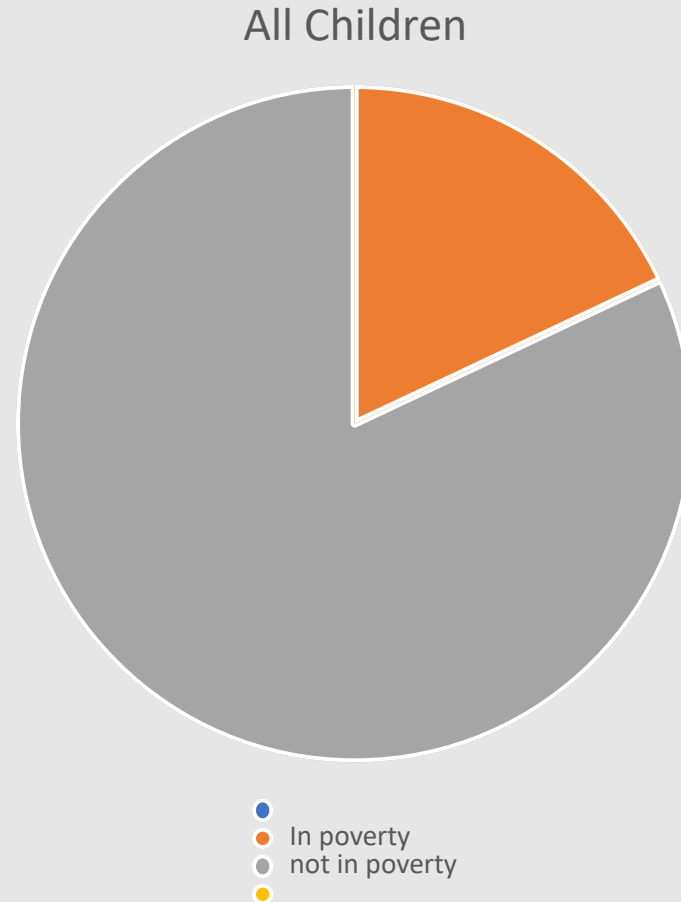


# Child Poverty and Direct Cash Transfers

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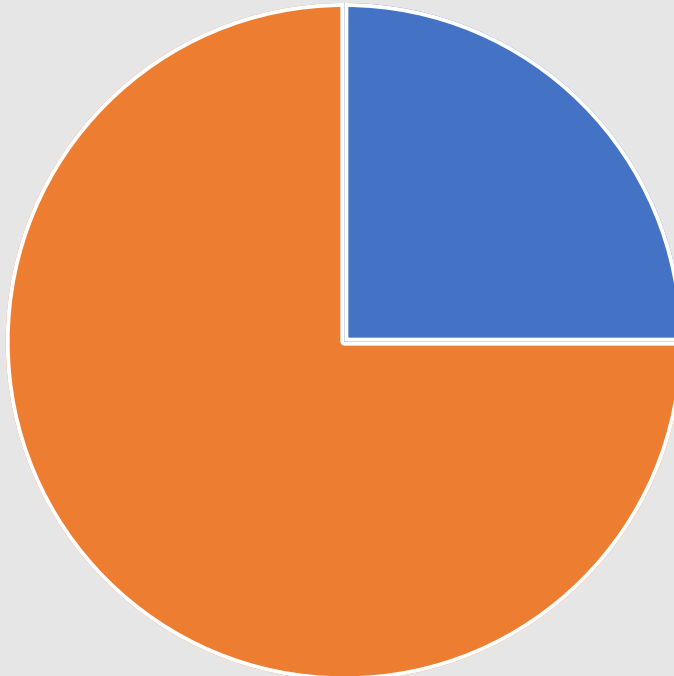
# Child Poverty in New York State



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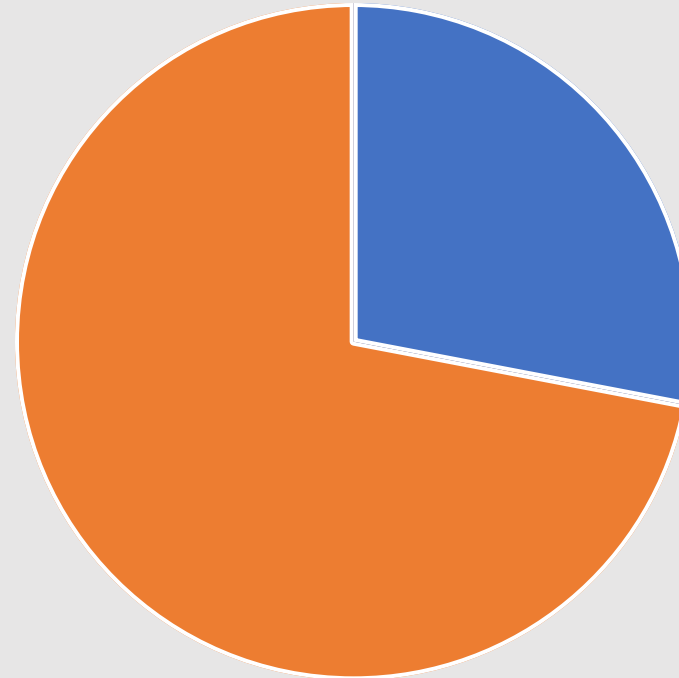
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**Latino Children**



● In Poverty  
● Not In Poverty  
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**Black Children**



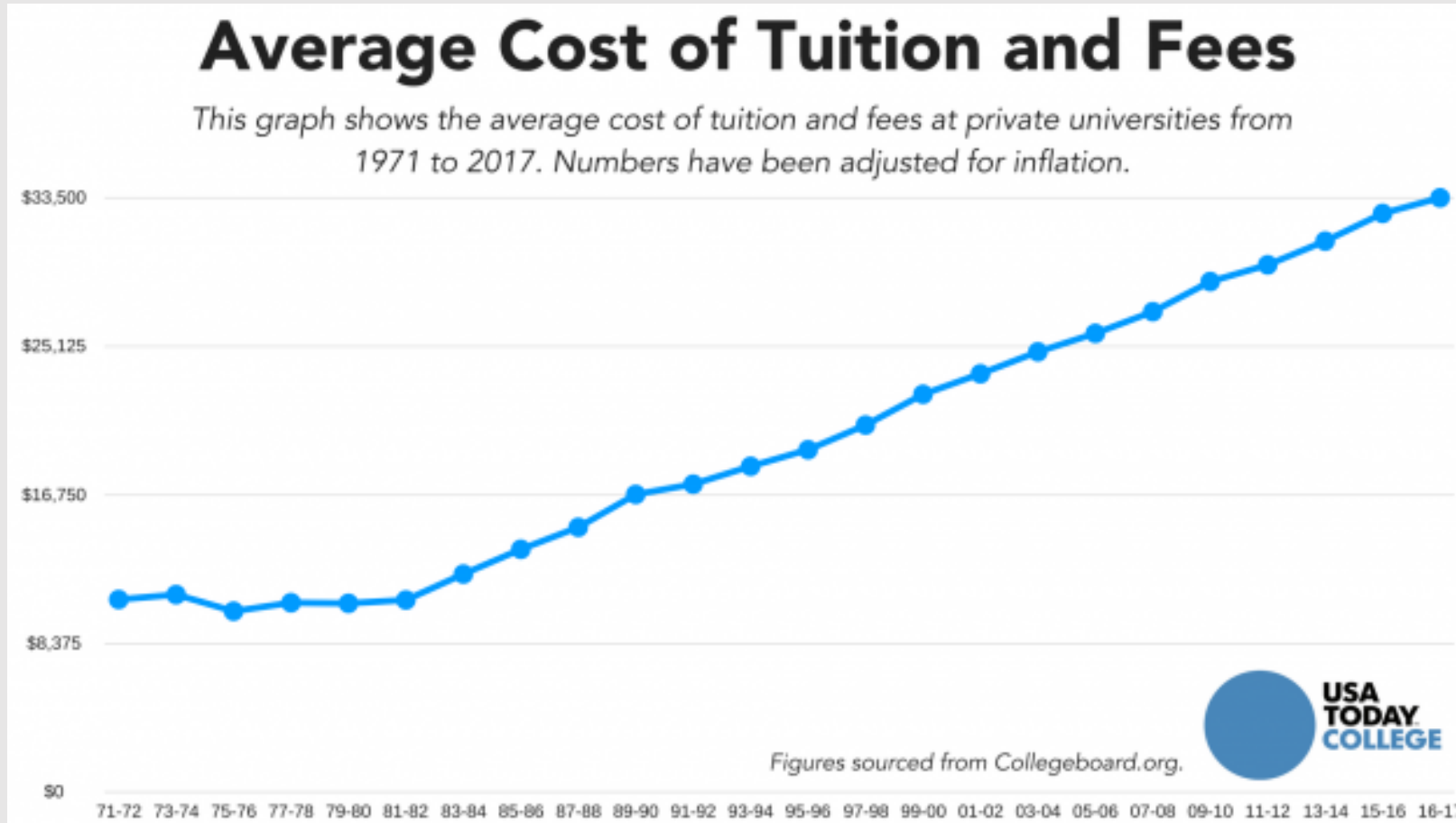
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# Jobs and education

- An estimated 400,000 jobs were lost to automation in the US between 1990-2007.
- The federal minimum wage has not gone up since 2009,
- While college costs continue to rise faster than inflation.

# Jobs and education



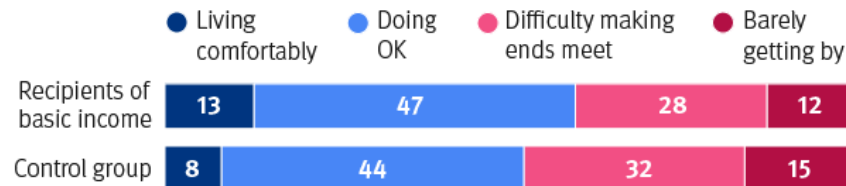
# SEED Program findings

- “The control group experienced nearly 1.5x more income volatility than the treatment group” (16).
- “The treatment group experienced clinically and statistically significant improvements in their mental health that the control group did not” (17).

# Finnish Guaranteed Income Experiment

## Results of the basic income experiment: small employment effects, better perceived economic security and mental wellbeing

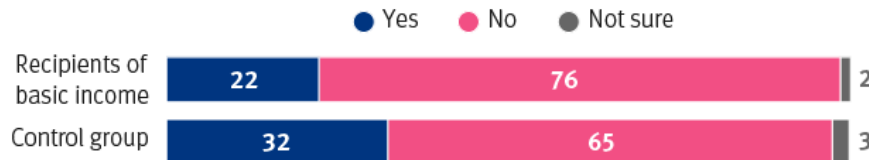
Self-perceived financial situation at current household income, % of respondents\*



Average number of days of employment November 2017–October 2018



Self-perceived depression, % of respondents\*



Satisfaction with life on scale 0–10, average



\*The survey was carried out towards the end of 2018.

The interpretation of the results of the basic income experiment is complicated by the introduction of the activation model in 2018.

Kela

# The Bridge Project

- “Environmental stress is especially damaging in the first three years of a child’s life. [Studies suggest](#) strong links between childhood poverty and cognitive and psychological disadvantages, including physical differences in the shape and function of brains.”
- “Reducing stress in early childhood is critical, and helping moms meet their needs is a first step to setting these babies up for success.”





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