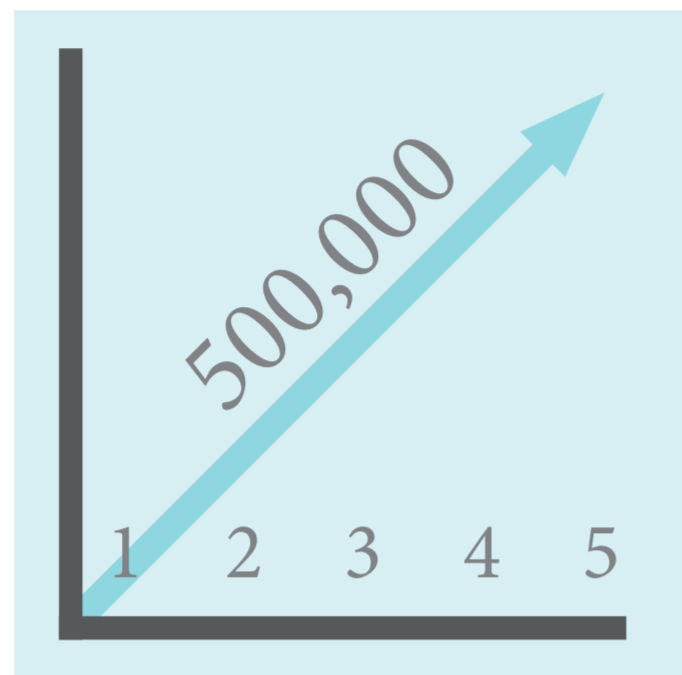


# In-work poverty in numbers



4 million people in the UK are in work but living in poverty.

In-work poverty has risen by half a million people in the last five years.

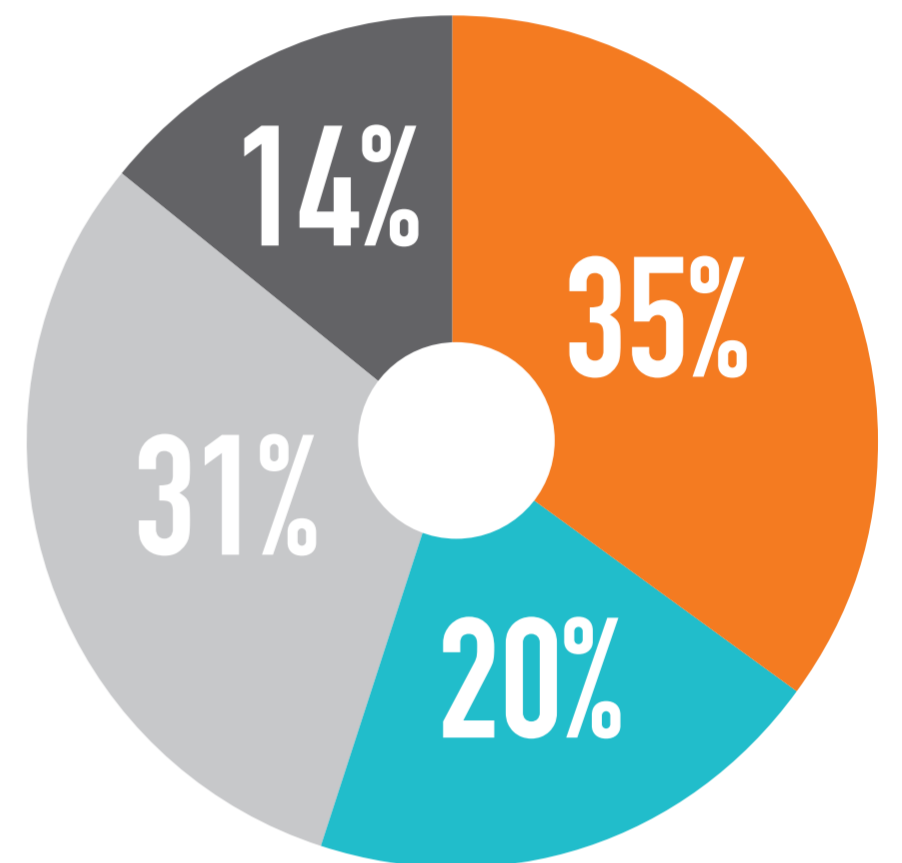


In-work poverty has risen even faster than employment.

In the last five years poverty rates have been rising for all types of working families.

Over half of the people who use StepChange debt advice are in work

- Employed full time
- Employed part time
- Unemployed
- Other



2.9 million children living in poverty are in working households.



A single full-time income is increasingly ineffective at lifting families out of poverty.



A working-age adult in poverty is now more likely to be in a working family than a non-working family.



2/5 of workers in poverty are in three sectors: wholesale and retail, human health and social work, and accommodation and food services.

*“When large-scale poverty persisted despite a booming economy and very high levels of employment, the Government chose not to adjust course”*

Report to the United Nations of the Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights, 2019

In-work poverty matches poverty across the country. The highest proportions are in London, North East, Yorkshire and the Humber, North West and the West Midlands, and Wales.

