

## Why social security costs are out of control

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From the incisive and always worth reading FlipChartRick [on the Flip Chart Fairy Tales blog](#):

*If the UK's social security costs really are out of control it's not because lots of people are sitting around with their feet up. It's because lots of people are in jobs that just don't pay enough.*

As is always the case on that blog, the data is there to back up the claim.  
Recommended.