

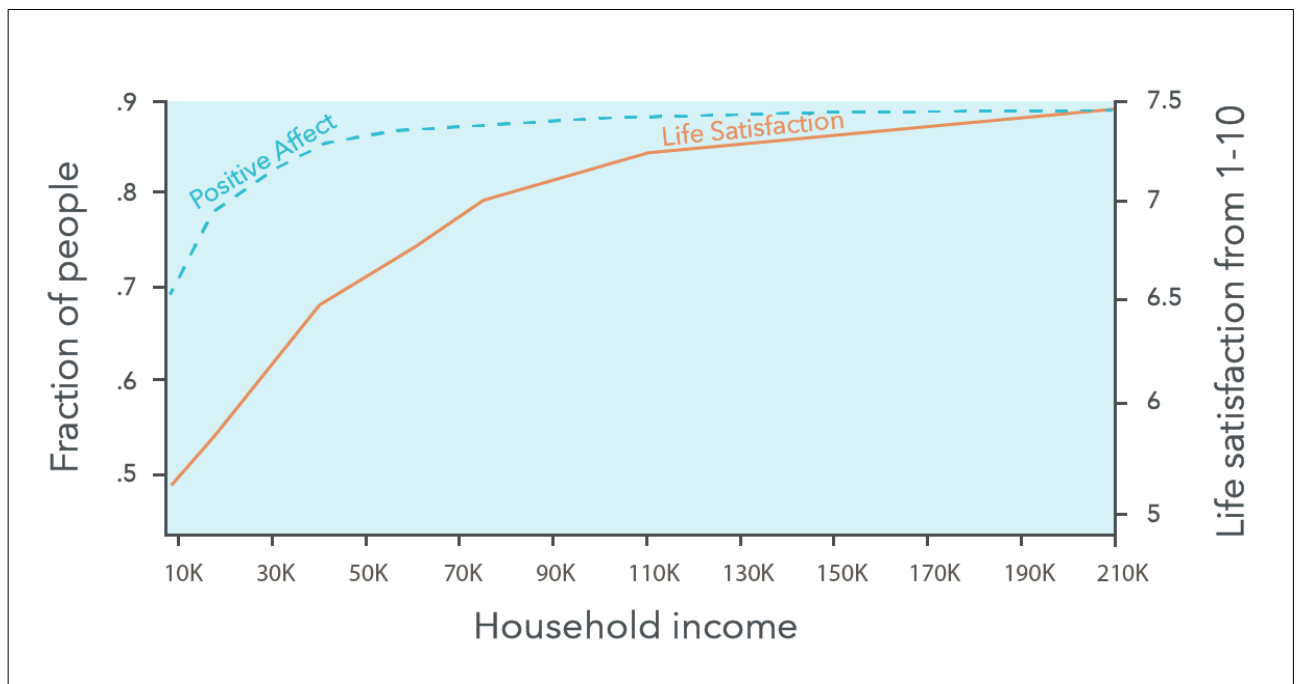
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People were asked to rate how satisfied they were **with their lives** on a scale from one to ten. The result is shown on the right, while the bottom shows their household income.

(10K = 10,000 \$ per year 210K = 210,000 \$ per year)

“Positive affect” is whether people reported feeling happy **yesterday**. The left shows the fraction of people who said “yes”. (0.5 = 50%, 0.9 = 90%)



Picture 1: Life Satisfaction and Positive Affect

Tasks:

1. Life Satisfaction: The vertical axis does not start at 0 but at about 5 - think about reasons that explain why the Life Satisfaction value starts above 5, even with relatively low incomes.
2. Positive Affect: Think about reasons why the values for Positive Affect start at about 0.7, even with relatively low incomes.
3. Write a description of the diagram (parts I and II), according to the rules. Write about 350 words.
4. Compare Positive Affect and Life Satisfaction: Why does Positive Affect reach higher values at lower incomes?