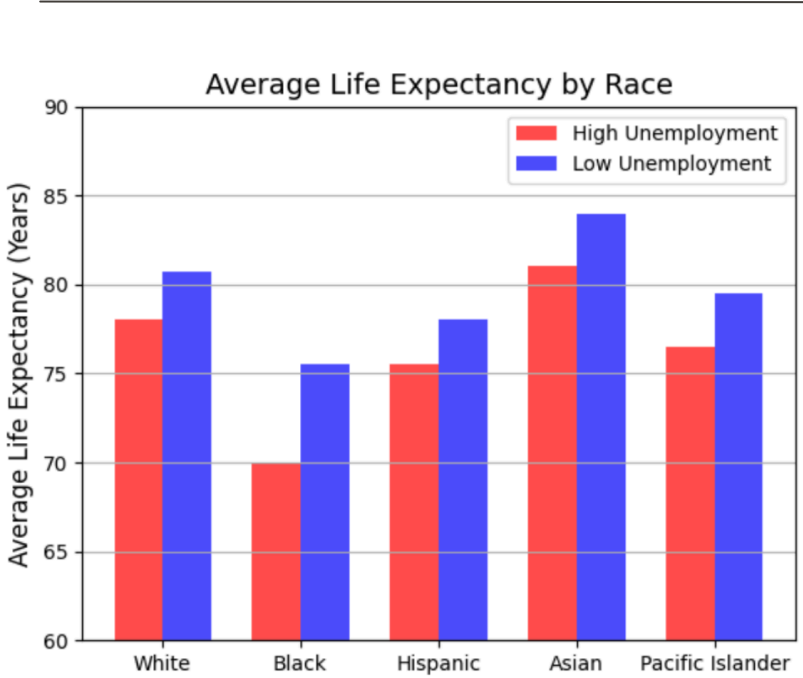


# THE IMPACT OF UNEMPLOYMENT ON LIFE EXPECTANCY IN THE US

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## Life Expectancy is impacted by many different factors

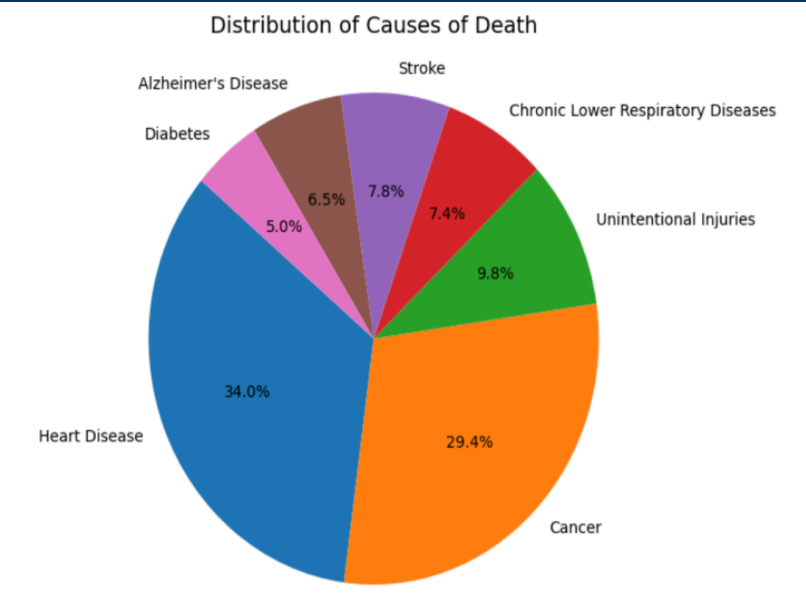
Some of these factors being ones out of your control



Due to disparities largely economic based, some races have a lower life expectancy.

The reason for these disparities can be from being unable to afford basic medical services, to not having easy access to healthy food, to not being able to access clean/safe housing

Unfortunately most of the causes of death for people living in high unemployment areas is due to things that having proper access to medical care would prevent. Heart disease and cancer are expensive to treat and many people in high unemployment areas are simply not able to afford the treatments.

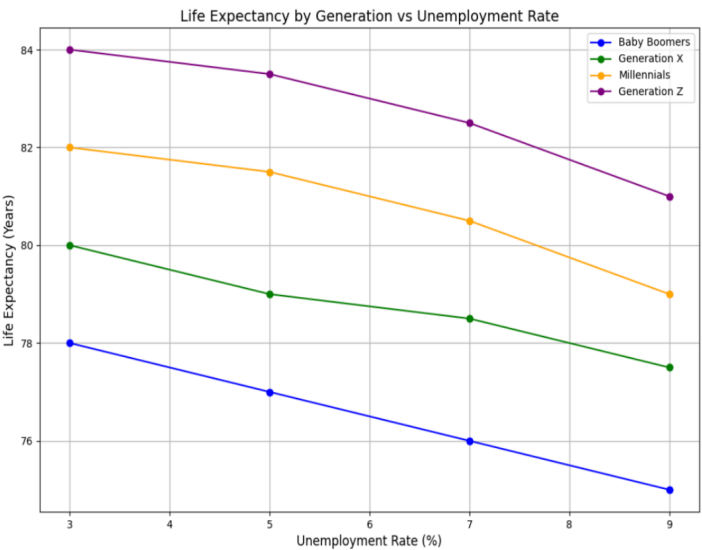


When comparing life expectancies across the board women tended to live longer then man regardless of being in high vs low unemployment

Some of the “unintentional” injuries fall under the category of suicide. However, many times they are labeled as “accidental” for insurance purposes

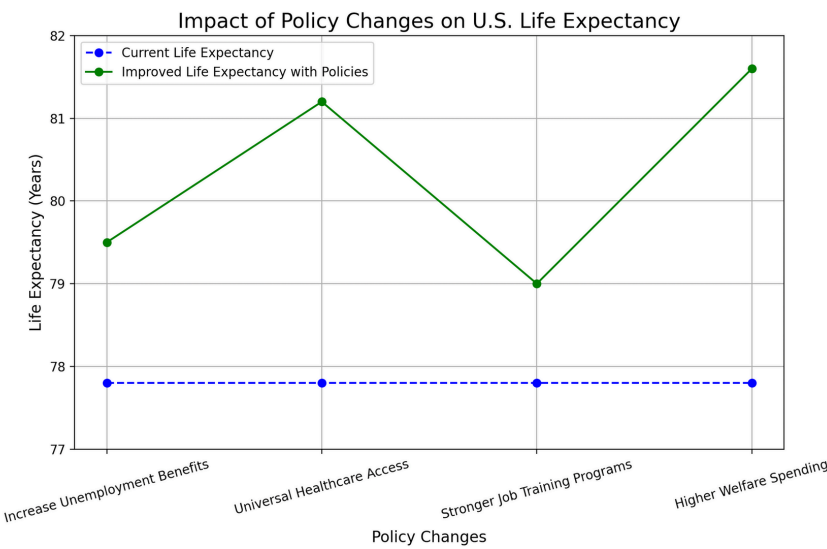
There is a large disparity between black and white men in high unemployment areas in their life expectancies. White men on average lived 78.8 years in areas of high unemployment and black men lived an average of 69.9 years in high unemployment areas

When comparing other countries with more generous welfare policies to the US, the US falls short in almost every metric. For example, in Sweden the average life expectancy is 81.0 years, in the US it is 77.8 years.



On average each generation’s lifespan increases ~2 years from the previous. However, the life expectancies for Gen Z could fail to meet this metric. Severe economic hardships have stunted their ability to grow financially when compared to the Baby Boomers and Millennials

### What can be done?



Many of my sources came up with different ways to potentially improve the situation of how we can increase life expectancies, these are just a few that stood out

Additionally, what was also found is that those who have a Master’s degree tended to have a life expectancy almost 12 years longer than those who only had a high school degree. So, there are several other options available for improving these situations