# ON THE BRINK.

The Deadline to the Breadline is the number of days the average UK household could survive financially - if the main breadwinner's income is lost through long-term sickness, critical illness or death - before being totally reliant on state benefits, friends or family.

Our research, which has been supported by analysis from the Centre for Economics and Business Research (Cebr), draws on a survey of 4,886 people weighted to represent the UK adult population in July 2014.

Average

WEEKLY household

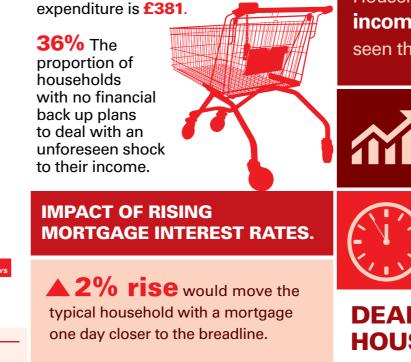
### **DEADLINE TO THE BREADLINE FOR THE** AVERAGE UK HOUSEHOLD.



#### **REALITY vs** PERCEPTION.

However households are more optimistic. Their expectations are more than double the deadline figure.





▲ 1% rise would mean households would no longer be able to save each month and would have to change their spending habits, or rely on existing savings, to make ends meet.

## **HOUSEHOLD TYPE:** Outright homeowner

DAYS

**70** of people said they don't expect anything or have no idea what state support their loved ones could receive if they fell ill. In the event of death it was 79%.

## IT WON'T **HAPPEN TO ME!**

Yet **50%** of people know someone who has suffered a serious illness or injury.

> **EVERY** DAY **MATTERS**.<sup>®</sup>



of households have no savings so they could be on the breadline tomorrow!

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Households with younger primary income earners (18-24 years) have seen their deadlines increase by





of households worry about the rising cost of living.

## 12 YEARS 9 MONTHS.

Households are saving £177 each month on average but it would take almost 12 years 9 months to save one year's average UK, gross salary of £27,000\*. Office National Statistics Annual Hours and Earnings Survey 2013

## **DEADLINE TO THE BREADLINE BY**

Homeowner with mortgage

Privately rented

Local Authority/ Housing Association





