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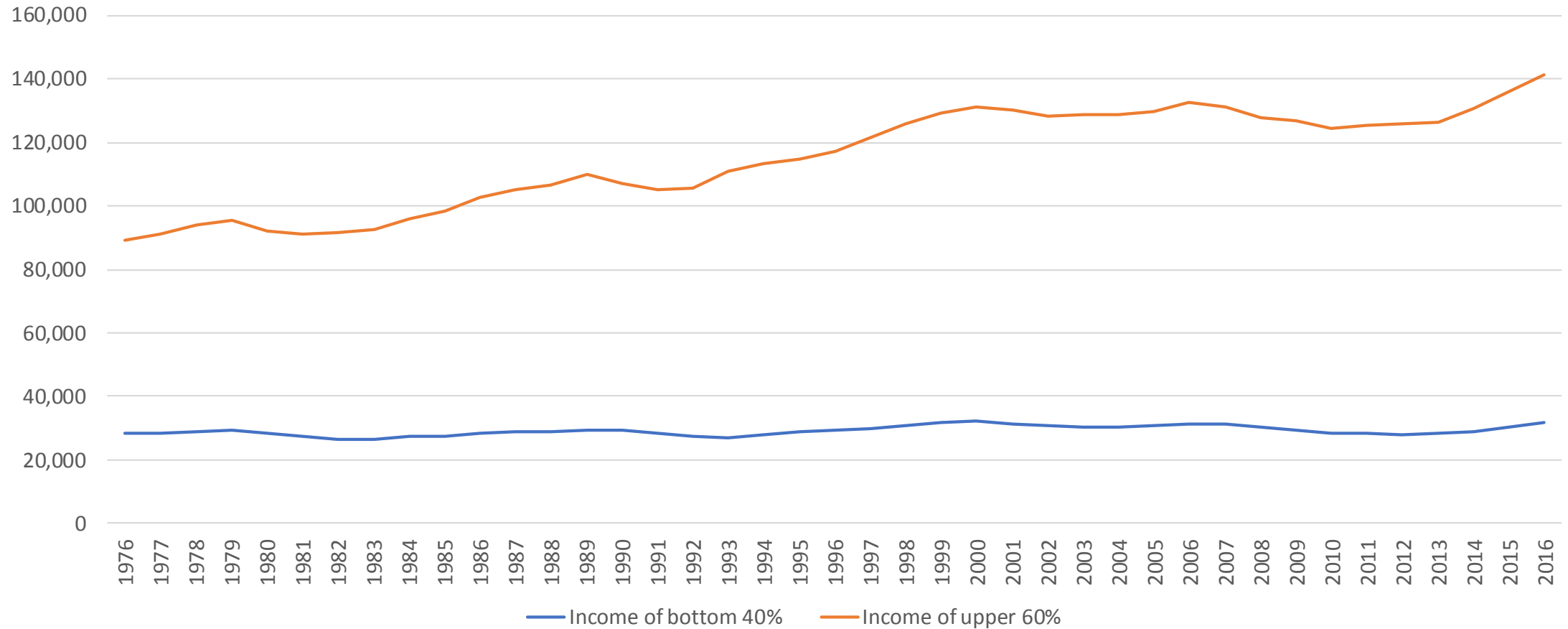
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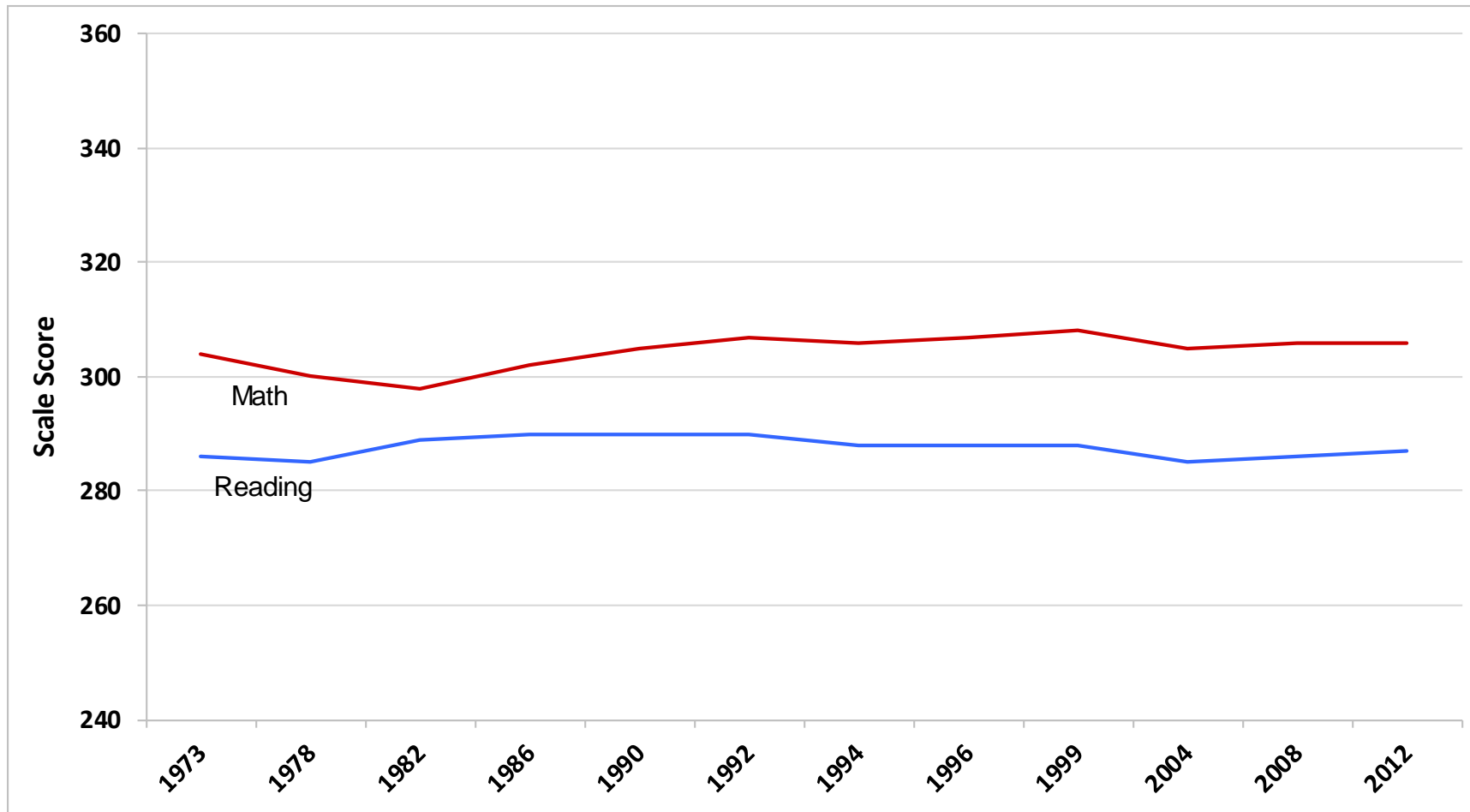


Mean income of bottom 40% of families, vs upper 60% of families, 1976-2016



Source: U.S. Census Bureau
Income amounts are inflation-adjusted (2016 dollars).

Reading and Math Scores of 17-year-olds 1973-2012



Source: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), various years, 1973–2012 Long-Term Trend Reading and Math Assessments.