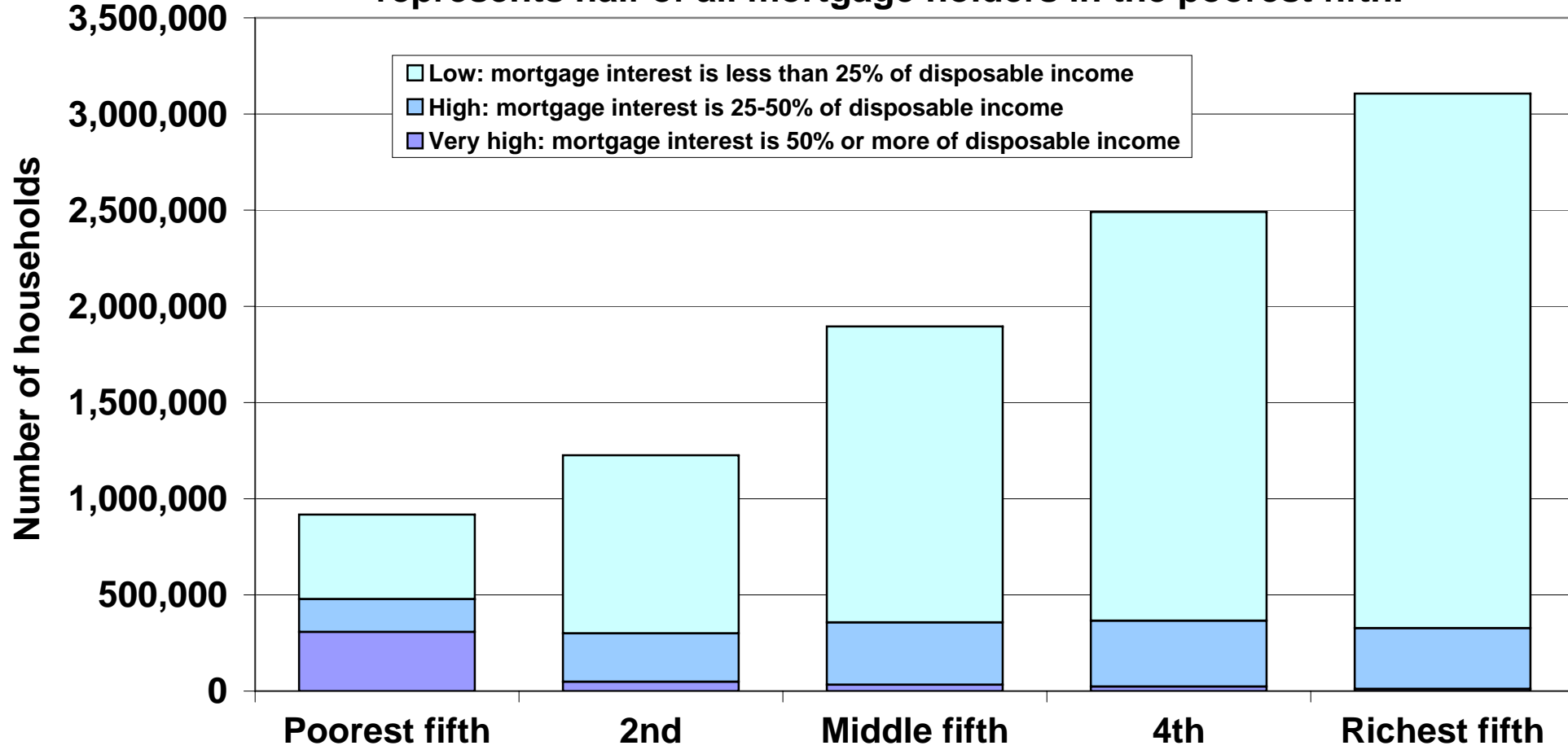


**500,000 homeowners in the poorest fifth expend more than a quarter of their after tax income on mortgage interest repayments. This represents half of all mortgage holders in the poorest fifth.**



Source: Household Below Average Income, DWP; the data is the average for 2006/07 to 2008/09; UK; updated Aug 2010