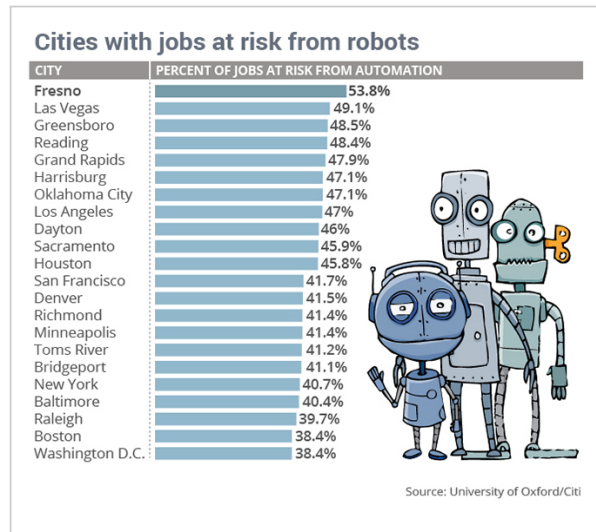


Boston, D.C. are cities with jobs least likely to be taken away by robots

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Boston and Washington D.C. are the cities that have the least percentage of their jobs at risk of being taken away by automation, according to a new study.

The research, done by Citi with the University of Oxford, went further into its research that found 47% of U.S. jobs are at risk of being replaced by automation.

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The report says the common denominator for low-risk jobs is that they are intensive in social and creative skills. “Most management, business and finance occupations, which are intensive in work requiring social skills, are largely confined to the low-risk category,” the report says. “This is also true of most occupations in arts and media, as well as jobs in education and healthcare.”

By contrast, lower-skilled jobs are the most susceptible to automation.

The report doesn’t delve specifically into every city on the list but notes that two of the cities most susceptible, Fresno and Las Vegas, suffered some of the steepest drops in housing prices during the Great Recession.

Manufacturing cities remain more susceptible to automation, the report points out,. though Rust Belt cities including Buffalo, Cleveland and Detroit are not on the list.

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