# AARP'S BANKSAFE INITIATIVE

**Empowering Financial Institutions to Protect Consumers** 

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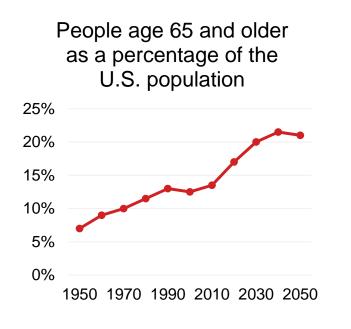


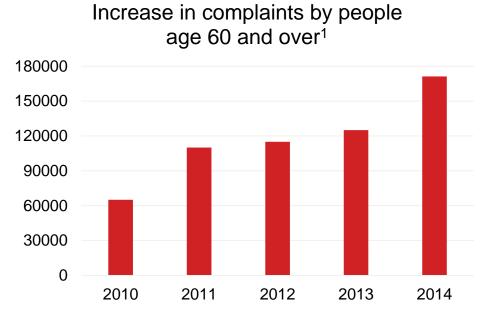


inancial exploitation is a growing problem that affects financial institutions' most valuable customers—older Americans and their families. Financial institutions can take small steps to prevent exploitation and protect customers' savings. Fighting exploitation is a smart business decision that saves money, increases brand

distinction, strengthens customer trust, and improves employee morale.

## WHAT ARE THE TRENDS?







## **Retirement Savings Stolen**

Average Victim **\$120,000**<sup>1</sup>

Average Retirement Savings at 50

\$108,000





1. Author's tabulation based on METLIFE data

Based on reported cases, financial institutions lose \$1 billion a year in bank deposits.

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## **EXPLOITATION** THE \$1 BILLION PROBLEM

### **Overall Costs**

## **\$47 Billion**



## So... Why target older people?

## Why do you rob banks?

## "I **rob banks** because that's where the money is." – Willie Sutton



Older Americans **own** two-thirds of all bank deposits. An estimated 1 in 5 older Americans are victims of financial exploitation.





In the United Kingdom, residents age 60 and older already own the majority of the country's wealth, and that population continues to grow





## AARP 1, 2 Punch Approach





AARP has the expertise and ability to influence 38 million Americans. We are tackling the threat of financial exploitation head on. But we can't do it alone. AARP's BankSafe Initiative protects older Americans by educating financial institutions how to fight exploitation in three key areas.

#### **Training:**



AARP is creating a national online training program that will help employees in financial institutions to detect and prevent exploitation



#### **Blueprint to Success:**

AARP will spotlight promising practices financial institutions use to protect their customers from exploitation.



#### **Partnering in Innovation:**

AARP will partner with financial institutions to create innovative solutions to fight exploitation.

### **Notable Pioneers**

First Financial of Texas Suncoast Credit Union **Barclays UK Lloyds of London** Bank of American Fork



## **Appeals to Customers**

