

Portrait of Nevada's Seniors

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Self-Reported Crime Statistics of Nevada's Over 50 Population

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Portrait of Nevada's Seniors - UNLV

- Conducted by the Cannon Survey Center
- 116,835 phone calls to generate 2,437 completed surveys statewide
- Each respondent was asked 105 questions (245 data points)
- Only interviewed Nevada residents over the age of 50
- Statistically accurate to +/- 2% statewide

Older Nevadan Factoids

- Nevada's population growth (00-07)
 - 40% for all ages under 50
 - 70% for ages 50+
- There are @ 771,000 Nevada citizens aged 50 and older (28% of our 2.7 million)

Older Nevadan Factoids

CRIME

- 89% of Nevadans over age 50 feel safe in their neighborhood (83%, 2006)
 - 11% feel only “slightly safe” or “not at all safe” (N = 82,479)
 - Of these there are 8,413 Nevadan’s who feel “not at all safe in their neighborhoods.”
 - 26% of those who feel “not at all safe” are 80 years of age or older (N = 2247)
 - 81% of those who feel “not at all safe” live in Clark County, 12% in Reno/Carson City, 7% rural counties.

Older Nevadan Factoids

CRIME: Location

- 11% of Nevadan's over the age of 50 were attacked, threatened or had something stolen from them in past year
 - 84,800 self reported crime victims!
 - 7% victimized at their home or the home of a friend or relative (N = 53,970)
 - Those in the youngest age strata (50 – 59) are 6 times more likely to be victimized at home than those in the oldest strata (80+)
 - 1% victimized at work (N = 7,710)

Older Nevadan Factoids

CRIME: Location

- Of the 11% who were attacked, threatened or had something stolen in the past year -
 - 1% victimized at a public place like a mall, restaurant or casino (N = 7,710)
 - 1% victimized while riding in a vehicle or in the street or parking lot
 - 1% victimized at some other location
 - Open-ended info
 - 2 respondents from Clark County indicated they were almost murdered, one by a stepson
 - 1 from Carson/Reno was robbed by movers
 - 1 from Reno/Carson was victimized at a rest stop

Older Nevadan Factoids

CRIME: Who

- Of the 84,810 instances where a Nevadan over the age of 50 was attacked, threatened or had something stolen in the past year 70% of the instances were committed by someone known by the victim.
 - 59,541 incidents by a known victim

Older Nevadan Factoids

CRIME: Who

- Known assailant was:
 - Someone from work – 17% (N =10,148)
 - Friend or neighbor – 27% (N = 16,346)
 - Relative/family member – 22% (N = 12,897)
 - Other known individual – 34% (N = 20,150)

Older Nevadan Factoids

CRIME: Unreported Crime

- 8% were victims of crime and did NOT report it to authorities
 - 61,000 unreported crimes
 - 65% (N = 39,910) – 50 – 59 years of age
 - 18% (N = 11,256) – 60 – 69 years of age
 - 10% (N = 5,830) – 70 – 79 years of age
 - 7% (N = 4040) – 80+ years of age

Older Nevadan Factoids

CRIME: Consumer Fraud

- 11% were victims of consumer fraud or had their identity stolen in the past 12 months.
 - 81,936 incidents of consumer or identity theft!
 - 47% male, 53% female
 - 55% between the ages of 50 – 59 (N = 45,243)

Older Nevadan Factoids

CRIME: Consumer Fraud

- Of the 11% who were victims of consumer fraud or had their identity stolen in the past 12 months!
 - 80% have access to the use of a PC
 - 96% have access to the Internet
 - 67% use the Internet daily or several times daily

We Need to be Prepared for the Boomers – they will impact our society once again as senior citizens....

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