



NEW GILLIBRAND REPORT: OVER HALF A MILLION NEW YORK SENIORS HIT BY FRAUD

New York Seniors Victimized By Fraud Lose an Estimated Total of Over \$180 Million

1 in 5 Seniors Nationally Fall Victim to Fraud, According to the FTC

A new report from U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand estimates that more than half a million New York seniors have fallen victim to consumer fraud – losing a total of over \$180 million. 1 in 5 seniors nationwide gets hit by fraud, according to estimates from the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). Each senior loses an average estimate of \$350 as a result of being victimized by fraud – with many losing much more.

County Statistics for New York City:

In New York City, an estimate of over 200,000 seniors have been hit by fraud – losing an estimate of over \$70 million.

COUNTY	TOTAL # OF SENIORS	EST. SENIOR FRAUD VICTIMS	TOTAL EST. AMOUNT LOST
Bronx	148,116	29,623	\$10,249,627
Kings	314,368	62,874	\$21,754,266
New York	210,296	42,059	\$14,552,483
Queens	305,926	61,185	\$21,170,079
Richmond	59,168	11,834	\$4,094,426

County Statistics for Western New York:

In Western New York, an estimate of nearly 40,000 seniors have been hit by fraud – losing an estimate of over \$15 million.

COUNTY	TOTAL # OF SENIORS	EST. SENIOR FRAUD VICTIMS	TOTAL EST. AMOUNT LOST
Allegany	7,531	1,506	\$521,145
Cattaraugus	12,129	2,426	\$839,327
Chautauqua	21,351	4,270	\$1,477,489
Erie	141,691	28,338	\$9,805,017
Niagara	33,035	6,607	\$2,286,022
Wyoming	5,540	1,108	\$383,368

County Statistics for the Rochester-Finger Lakes Region:

In the Rochester-Finger Lakes Region, an estimate of over 30,000 seniors have been hit by fraud – losing an estimate of over \$11 million.

COUNTY	TOTAL # OF SENIORS	EST. SENIOR FRAUD VICTIMS	TOTAL EST. AMOUNT LOST
Genesee	9,079	1,816	\$628,267
Livingston	8,146	1,629	\$563,703
Monroe	99,525	19,905	\$6,887,130
Ontario	15,156	3,031	\$1,048,795
Orleans	5,721	1,144	\$395,893
Seneca	4,989	998	\$345,239
Tompkins	9,911	1,982	\$685,841
Wayne	12,372	2,474	\$856,142
Yates	4,105	821	\$284,066

County Statistics for Central New York:

In Central New York, an estimate of nearly 30,000 seniors have been hit by fraud – losing an estimate of over \$10 million.

COUNTY	TOTAL # OF SENIORS	EST. SENIOR FRAUD VICTIMS	TOTAL EST. AMOUNT LOST
Cayuga	11,802	2,360	\$816,698
Cortland	6,226	1,245	\$430,839
Herkimer	10,065	2,013	\$696,498
Madison	9,277	1,855	\$641,968
Oneida	37,349	7,470	\$2,584,551
Onondaga	62,222	12,444	\$4,305,762
Otsego	9,615	1,923	\$665,358

County Statistics for the Southern Tier:

In the Southern Tier, an estimate of over 20,000 seniors have been hit by fraud – losing an estimate of over \$7 million.

COUNTY	TOTAL # OF SENIORS	EST. SENIOR FRAUD VICTIMS	TOTAL EST. AMOUNT LOST
Broome	32,609	6,522	\$2,256,543
Chemung	13,467	2,693	\$931,916
Chenango	8,099	1,620	\$560,451
Delaware	8,898	1,780	\$615,742
Oswego	14,579	2,916	\$1,008,867
Schuyler	3,027	605	\$209,468
Steuben	15,010	3,002	\$1,038,692
Tioga	7,291	1,458	\$504,537

County Statistics for the Capital Region:

In the Capital Region, an estimate of over 30,000 seniors have been hit by fraud – losing an estimate of over \$11 million.

COUNTY	TOTAL # OF SENIORS	EST. SENIOR FRAUD VICTIMS	TOTAL EST. AMOUNT LOST
Albany	40,881	8,176	\$2,828,965
Columbia	10,529	2,106	\$728,607
Fulton	8,580	1,716	\$593,736
Greene	7,563	1,513	\$523,360
Montgomery	8,371	1,674	\$579,273
Rensselaer	20,328	4,066	\$1,406,698
Saratoga	26,806	5,361	\$1,854,975
Schenectady	23,426	4,685	\$1,621,079
Schoharie	4,877	975	\$337,488
Washington	9,431	1,886	\$652,625

County Statistics for the North Country:

In the North Country, an estimate of nearly 14,000 seniors have been hit by fraud – losing an estimate of over \$4.5 million.

COUNTY	TOTAL # OF SENIORS	EST. SENIOR FRAUD VICTIMS	TOTAL EST. AMOUNT LOST
Clinton	11,101	2,220	\$768,189
Essex	6,435	1,287	\$445,302
Franklin	6,792	1,358	\$470,006
Hamilton	1,110	222	\$76,812
Jefferson	13,506	2,701	\$934,615
Lewis	3,899	780	\$269,811
St. Lawrence	15,011	3,002	\$1,038,761
Warren	11,094	2,219	\$767,705

County Statistics for the Hudson Valley:

In the Hudson Valley, an estimate of nearly 60,000 seniors have been hit by fraud – losing an estimate of over \$20 million.

COUNTY	TOTAL # OF SENIORS	EST. SENIOR FRAUD VICTIMS	TOTAL EST. AMOUNT LOST
Dutchess	37,654	7,531	\$2,605,657
Orange	38,266	7,653	\$2,648,007
Putnam	11,520	2,304	\$797,184
Rockland	40,258	8,052	\$2,785,854
Sullivan	11,105	2,221	\$768,466
Ulster	25,327	5,065	\$1,752,628
Westchester	135,833	27,167	\$9,399,644

County Statistics for Long Island:

On Long Island, an estimate of over 80,000 seniors have been hit by fraud – losing an estimate of nearly \$28 million.

COUNTY	TOTAL # OF SENIORS	EST. SENIOR FRAUD VICTIMS	TOTAL EST. AMOUNT LOST
Nassau	202,778	40,556	\$14,032,238
Suffolk	197,500	39,500	\$13,667,000

**All data was calculated using figures from the 2008 U.S. Census, data from the Federal Trade Commission and Senator Gillibrand Staff calculations.*