Social Security Is Vital to All Americans

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Social Security is responsible for keeping many people out of poverty
Social Security Keeps Americans of All Ages Out of Poverty

Social Security Is The Ultimate Poverty Tool

Note: uses Special Poverty Measure

Social Security Keeps More People Out of Poverty Than All Other Programs Combined

Social Security is an important source of income to many families
Nearly A Quarter of Older Americans Depend on Social Security for 90% or More of Their Family’s Income

Social Security Makes Up a Larger Share of Family Income for Older Americans

Minorities Rely More on Social Security for A Larger Portion of Their Family’s Income