

Social Security Action: When and How

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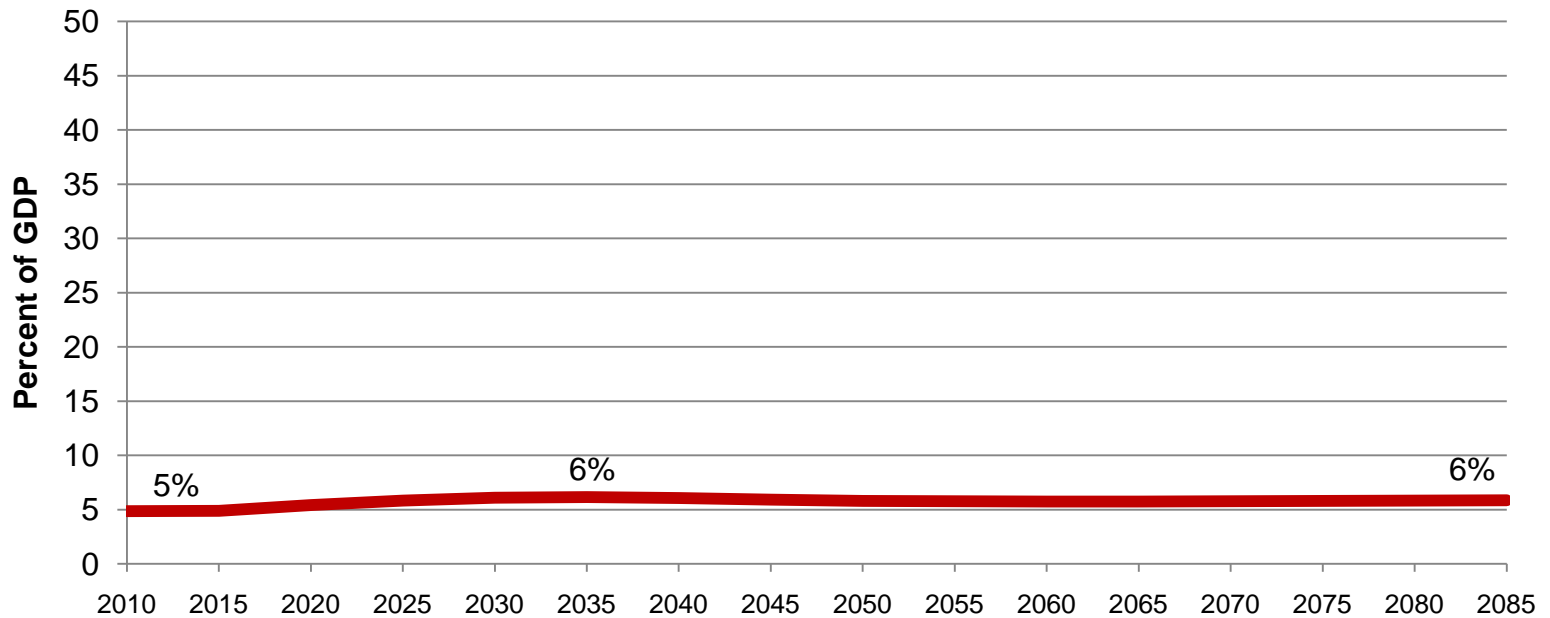
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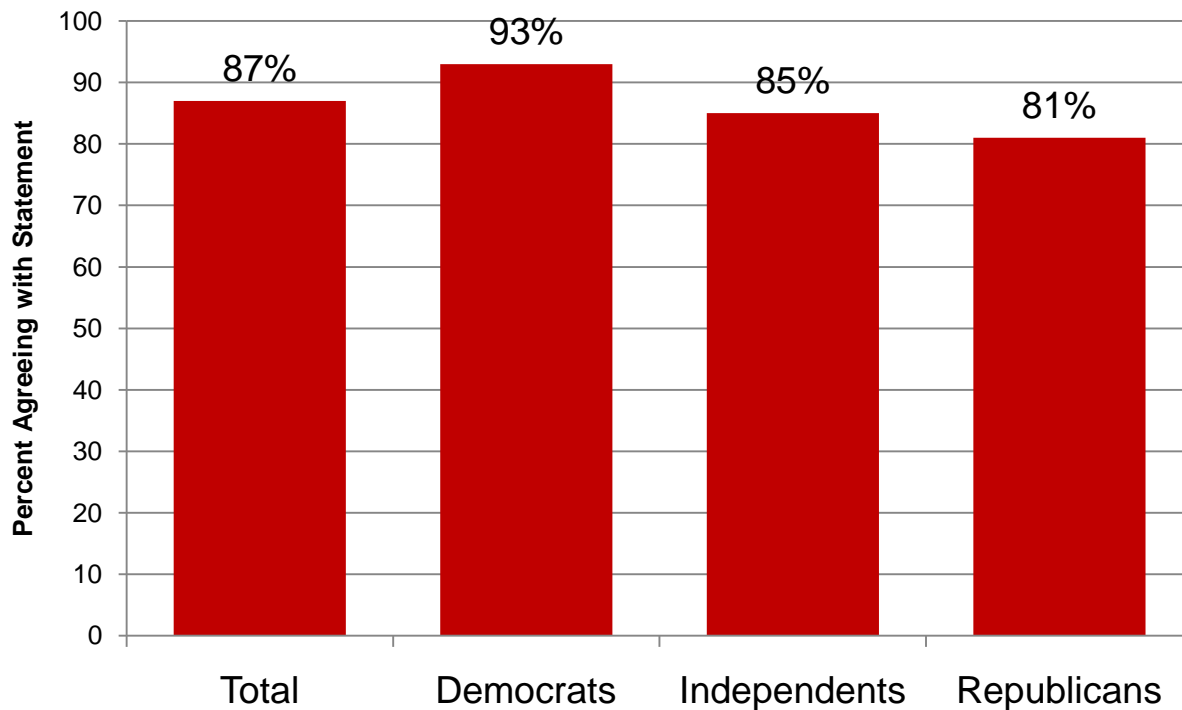
With the 1983 Cuts, Social Security Is Clearly Affordable

Social Security as a Percent of the Economy (GDP), 2010-2085



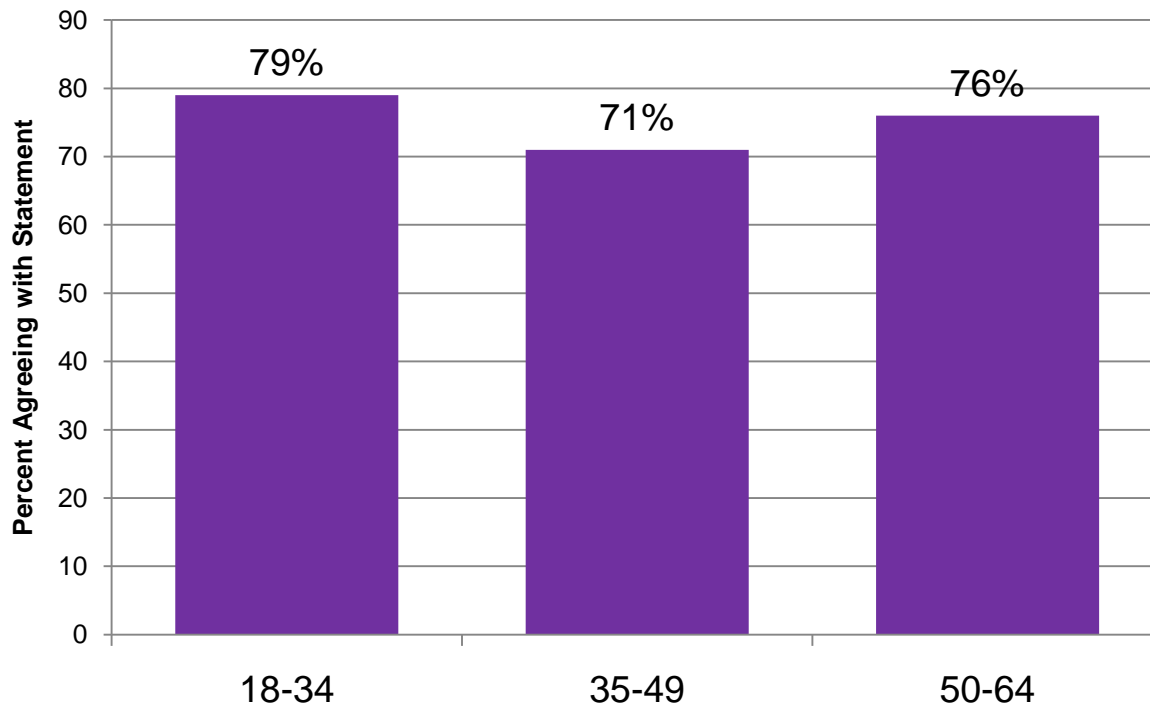
Across party lines, Americans don't mind paying for Social Security

Percent agreeing: *I don't mind paying Social Security taxes because it provides security and stability to millions of retired Americans, the disabled, and children and widowed spouses of deceased workers.*

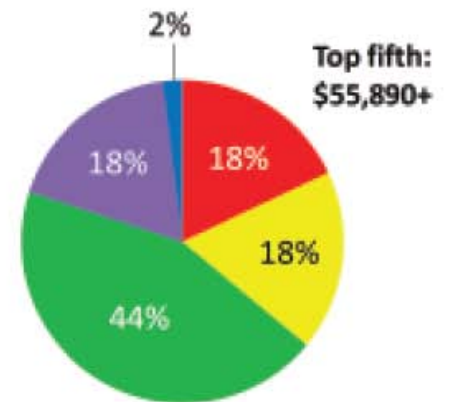
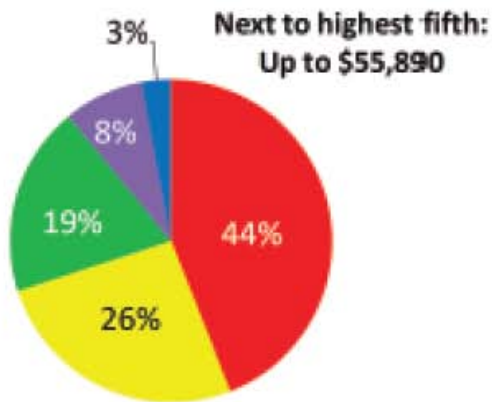
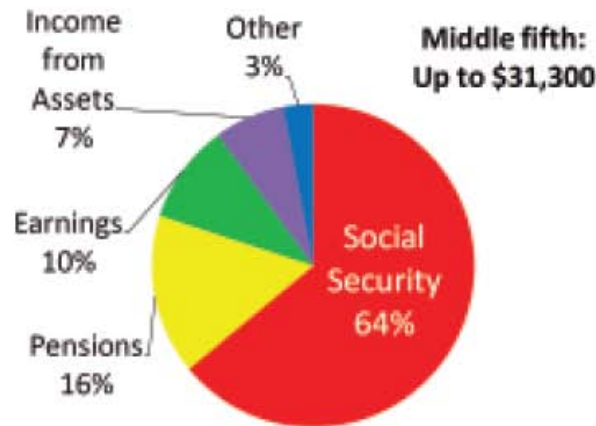
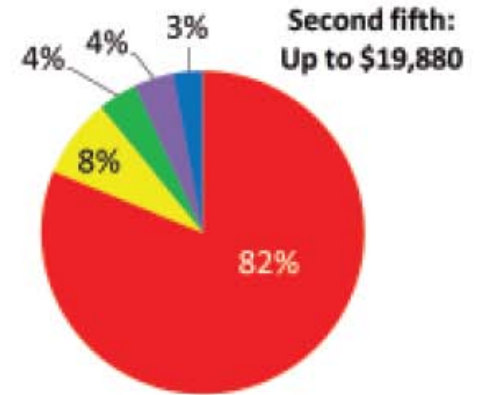
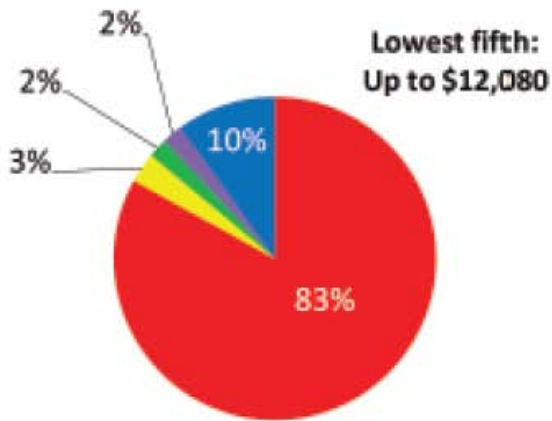


Across age groups, Americans want to preserve Social Security even if we have to pay more

Percent agreeing: *It is critical that we preserve Social Security for future generations, even if it means increasing working Americans' contributions to Social Security taxes.*



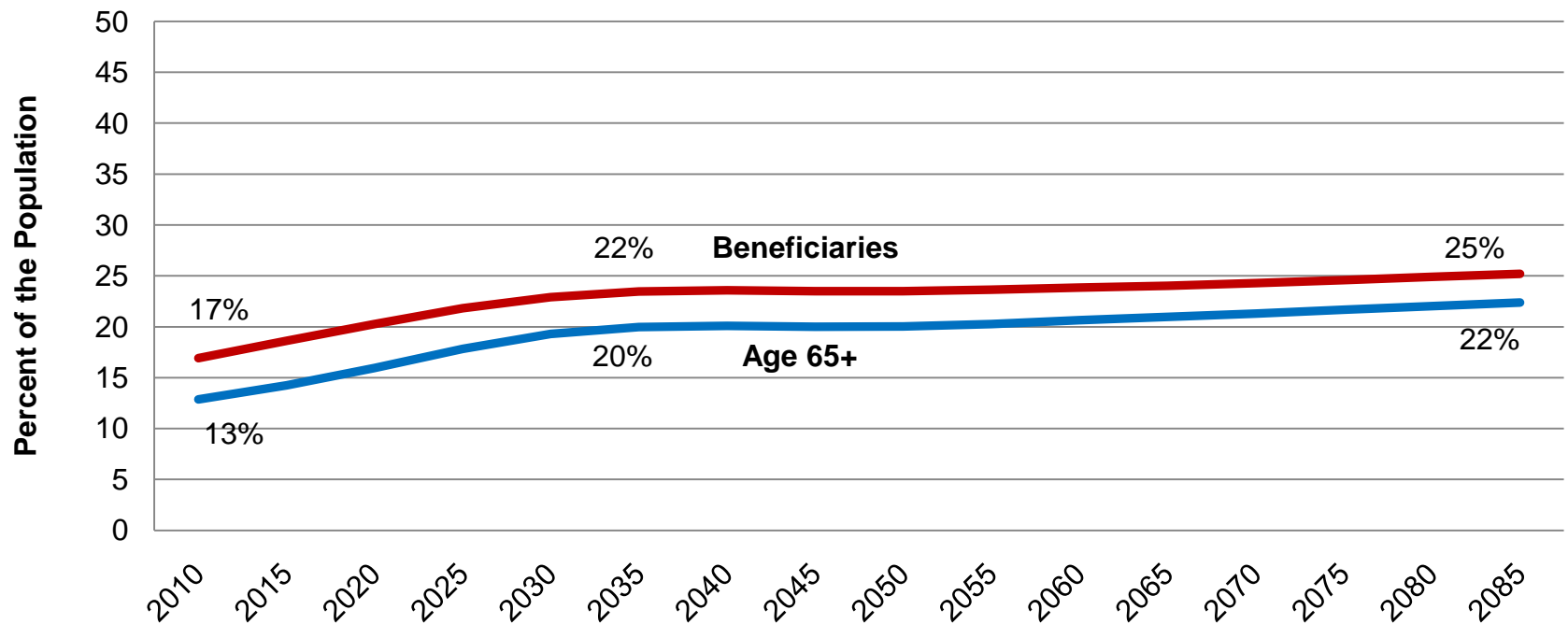
Shares of Income from Specified Sources by Income Level, 2008 Married Couples and Unmarried Persons Age 65 and Older



Source: Social Security Administration: Income of the Population 55 and Over, 2008 (forthcoming in 2010)

Even as more of us will be over 65 and more will depend on it

Percent of the Population Receiving Social Security and Percent Age 65+, 2010-2085



Social Security replacement rates are declining

Medium Earner's Replacement Rate at 65
After Medicare Part B and D Premiums

