The Impostors: Stealing Money, Damaging Lives
An AARP Vermont Survey of Adults 18+

More than **TWO IN FIVE (46%)** Vermont adults have been targets of an impostor scam.

Nearly **ONE IN SIX (17%)** Vermont adults who were targeted and/or victimized by an impostor scam have experienced health problems and/or emotional distress resulting from the encounter.

**FOUR IN FIVE (80%) VERMONT** adults who were targeted and/or victimized by an impostor scam were contacted by phone.

Over a **A THIRD (37%)** of Vermont adults use the Internet to meet potential dates and/or romantic partners — and more than **HALF (54%)** have experienced at least one red flag from a love interest they met online (e.g., being asked to send money).

**SEVENTY PERCENT** of Vermont adults are not familiar with Census scams. This makes them particularly vulnerable, as Census scams are expected to rise substantially given that the Decennial Census is this year.