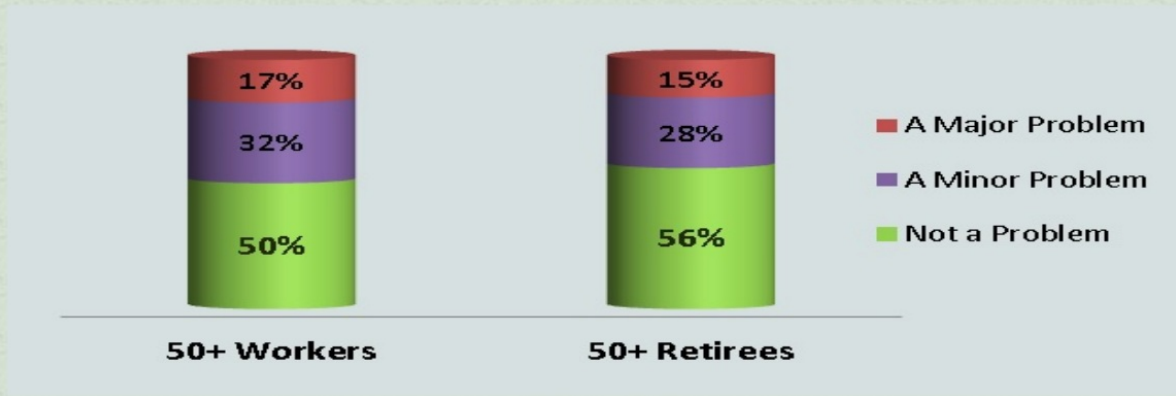


LEVELS OF DEBT

Among 50+ Workers and Retirees

Half of 50+ workers and over two in five 50+ retirees report having a problem with debt; but just 1 in 6 overall describe their level of debt as being a major problem



The percentage of 50+ describing their level of debt as a major or minor problem increased significantly from 2005 to 2011 – likely a result of the Great Recession

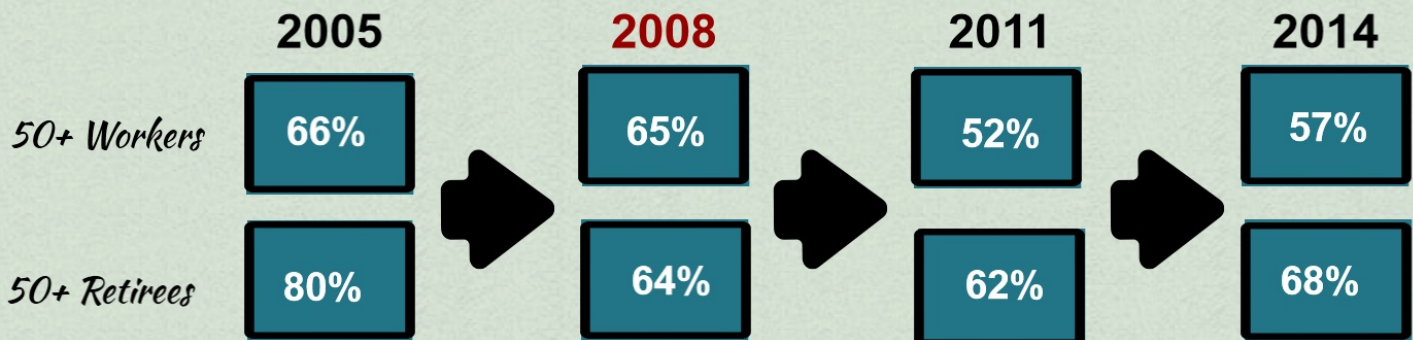


The percentage of 50+ describing their level of debt as a MAJOR or MINOR problem

*NOTE: Respondents were not asked about their perceptions of their level of debt from 2006 through 2010.

**The sum of the separate percentages of 50+ workers describing their level of debt as a major or minor problem do not sum to the total percentage displayed, due to rounding.

Similarly, retirement confidence declined sharply following the Great Recession; and it has not yet fully rebounded to pre-Recession levels



The percentage of 50+ who feel SOMEWHAT or VERY CONFIDENT they will have enough money to live comfortably throughout their retirement

SOURCES:

2014 Retirement Confidence Survey, Employee Benefit Research Institute and Greenwald & Associates.

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