

# PROTECT SENIORS Online<sup>SM</sup>

Survey results\* uncover a risk to seniors online

Older Canadian adults could be leaving themselves open to cyber attacks.

## WHY?



### They lack confidence

Those surveyed who describe themselves as “very confident” about their ability to safely engage in different online activities **never rose above 32%.**



### Their computers aren't protected

Approximately **1 in 5** surveyed seniors is going without anti-virus software.



### They take chances with their password

68% of surveyed seniors use a single password or re-use passwords on multiple sites. **Half of seniors interviewed do not use a password on at least one of their internet-enabled devices.**



### They're targeted on social media

The majority of surveyed seniors uses social media and **11% have had negative experiences**, including being asked for money and having to block someone.



### They may be vulnerable

**More than a third (38%) of surveyed seniors say someone has tried to scam them,** and 64% have been the victim or target of one of 11 different scams or hacks mentioned in the survey.

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Seniors can learn more about how to help protect themselves online at [ProtectSeniorsOnline.ca](http://ProtectSeniorsOnline.ca).

For ways that family caregivers can help support their older adults online, visit [CaregiverStress.com](http://CaregiverStress.com)<sup>®</sup>.