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THE EXPERIENCES AND ATTITUDES OF LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL  
AND TRANSGENDER OLDER ADULTS, AGES 45-75 BY THE NUMBERS

1,857

LGBT OLDER PEOPLE, AGES 45-75,  
TOOK PART IN THIS NEW STUDY,  
AS WELL AS 519 NON-LGBT PEOPLE.

10,000

PEOPLE WILL TURN 65 EVERY DAY  
BETWEEN NOW AND 2030.

3 MILLION

LGBT PEOPLE IN THE U.S. ARE AGE 55 AND OLDER,  
A RAPIDLY GROWING POPULATION.



**50%** OF SINGLE LGBT  
OLDER PEOPLE BELIEVE THEY WILL  
HAVE TO WORK WELL BEYOND  
RETIREMENT AGE, AS COMPARED TO  
**27%** OF SINGLE NON-LGBT PEOPLE.



**42%** OF LGBT OLDER  
PEOPLE FEAR THEY WILL OUTLIVE  
THE MONEY THEY HAVE SAVED FOR  
RETIREMENT, AS COMPARED TO  
**25%** OF NON-LGBT OLDER PEOPLE.



**40%** OF LGBT OLDER  
PEOPLE, AGES 60-75, SAY  
THEIR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS  
DON'T KNOW THEIR SEXUAL  
ORIENTATIONS.



**40%** OF LGBT OLDER  
PEOPLE SAY THEIR SUPPORT  
NETWORKS HAVE BECOME SMALLER  
OVER TIME, AS COMPARED TO  
**27%** OF NON-LGBT PEOPLE.



LGBT OLDER PEOPLE ARE  
**TWICE AS LIKELY  
(14% VS. 7%)**  
AS NON-LGBT OLDER PEOPLE  
TO SEE THEMSELVES AS MENTORS.



**1 IN 3 (34%)**  
LGBT OLDER PEOPLE LIVES  
ALONE, AS COMPARED TO **21%**  
OF NON-LGBT PEOPLE.



**1 IN 3 (32%)**  
LGBT OLDER PEOPLE IS CONCERNED  
ABOUT "BEING LONELY AND  
GROWING OLD ALONE," AS COMPARED  
TO **19%** OF NON-LGBT PEOPLE.



**1 IN 4 (25%)**  
TRANSGENDER OLDER ADULTS  
REPORTS DISCRIMINATION  
WHEN SEEKING HOUSING.

VISIT [SAGEUSA.ORG](https://www.sageusa.org) for more information on this national study, including the full report, an executive summary and frequently asked questions (FAQ). Also, if you're interested in partnering with SAGE to understand key areas of this report, or to explore how SAGE can support your organizational and business strategies related to LGBT older people, please contact us at **212-741-2247** or email us at [outandvisible@sageusa.org](mailto:outandvisible@sageusa.org).

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