

are but the tip of the iceberg of that yet to come.

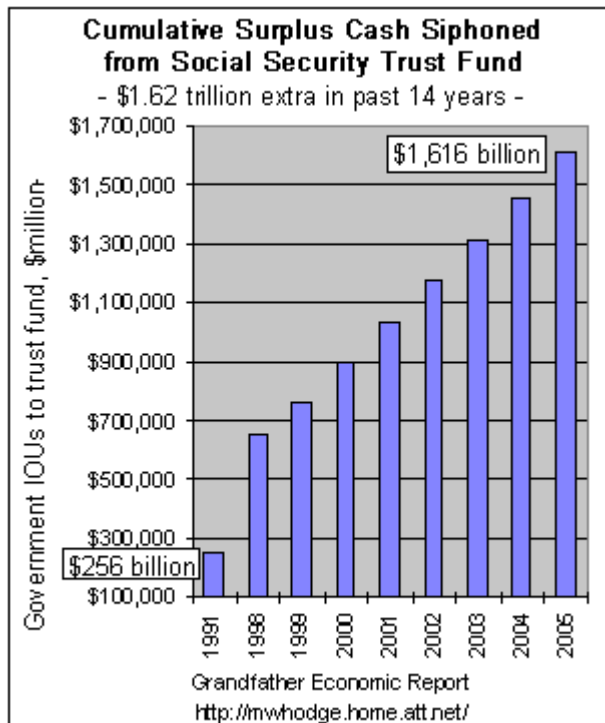
Were you born after 1945? If so, this chart is for you.

Approaching Time-Bomb Note the rising trend line starting 2005. That steep slope means a higher and higher percentage of the total national population will be age 65 or older (those 'baby boomers') - - meaning the pressure on workers during any part of that period may have even higher increased demands on their living standards to fund the explosion of the senior population - - and there are not enough workers to even do it without pushing many to poverty. And, the surplus paid into the 'trust fund' by working people with their FICA to help cover that time bomb is not there, as it was 100% spent on non-pension programs - a shell game, a scam.

Find your own retirement period on the chart. The higher up the curve, the greater the threat to meaningful benefits. And, if you are a working person during that rise, watch out. There can be little doubt from this chart that **social security & Medicare as we know it is nearing DEATH.**

To hit home, hard: The President's Economic Report to Congress of 2/03 shows in 1999 there were 1 million fewer citizens under age 5 than 40 years ago (1959), yet there were 19 million more citizens aged 65 and over in 1999 than 1959. **What a burden those children now under 5 face for the next 60 years - - unless we completely reconstruct government's role regarding social security and medical care.**

HOW CAN THEY SAY THEY WANT TO SAVE SOCIAL SECURITY WHEN THEY ARE RAIDING IT?



At the left is a chart from the [Trust Fund and Deficit Report](#) (and its [in-depth companion](#)) showing the growing amount the general federal government owes the Social Security trust fund from 1991 to date - the increase being that additional amount (above needed to cover retirees) of new paid-in surpluses (that came in from such payroll deductions as FICA) that was siphoned-off by the general government and spent on non-pension things. Every penny is gone, never to be available for its intended purpose - - senior social security pensions. **Workers and their employers were hood-winked, for sure!!**

As of the end of fiscal year 2005, **\$1,616 billion (\$1.6 Trillion) of in-coming surpluses from workers had been siphoned-off to-date from the Social Security trust fund** - a 532% increase of \$1.4 trillion since year-end 1991 - every penny spent on non-pension stuff. (**\$164 billion of that was extracted last year**).

Non-marketable IOUs were put in the trust in exchange for the cash taken out - - with zero plan budgeted by either political party to redeem those IOUs and repay the trust fund in cash or marketable assets in exchange for the prior cash surpluses removed for other purposes. Same goes for interest due, it's paid with more IOUs instead of cash.

A budget should amortize-out (redeem) those IOUs with marketable assets like cash, or workers should have