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## The Four Pillars of the New Retirement

An Edward Jones and Age Wave thought leadership study













#### A **new definition** of retirement

Reinvention, discovering new purpose and the beginning of a whole new chapter in life

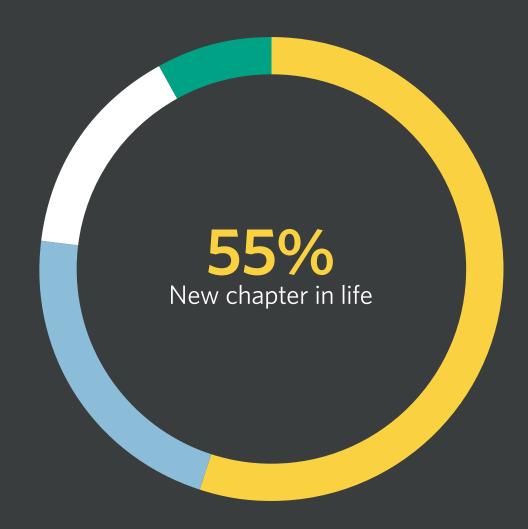
22%

Time for rest and relaxation

15%
Continuation of what life was

8%

Beginning of the end

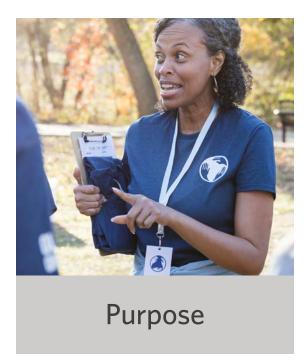


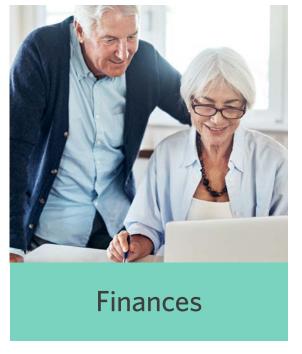
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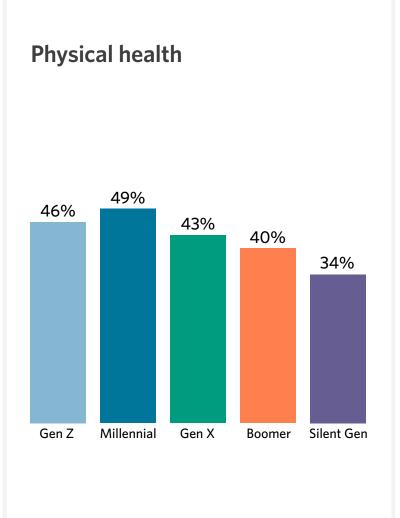


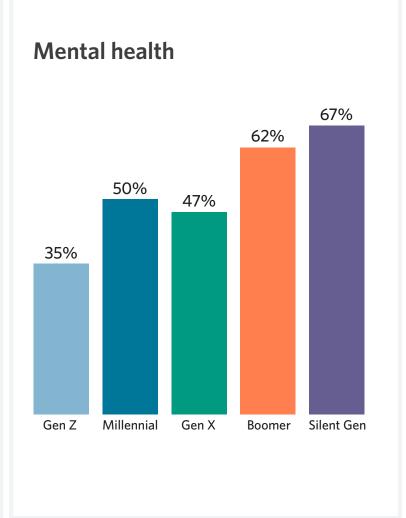






Physical health usually declines with age, but for many, mental health rises

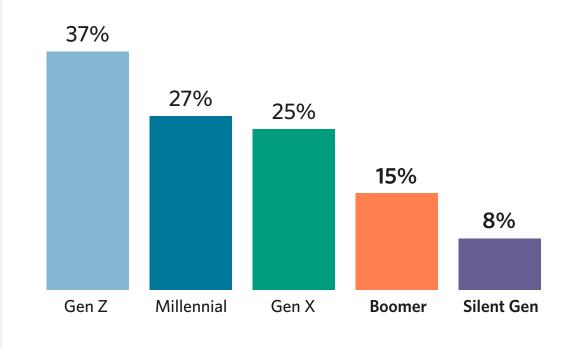




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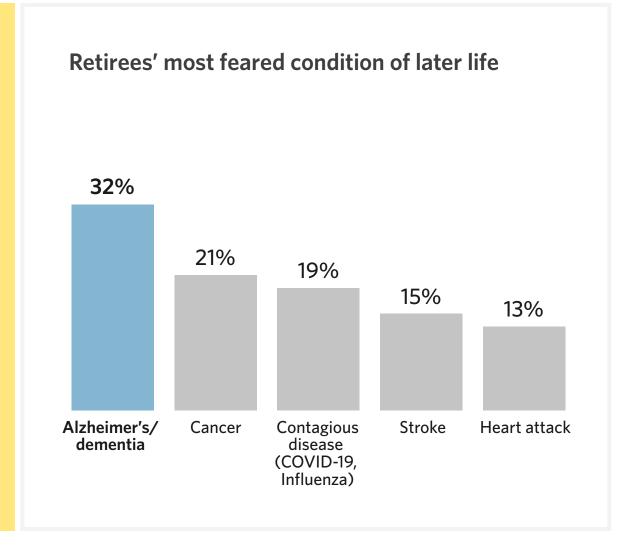
# Older generations have suffered far fewer mental health declines because of COVID-19

#### Percent who have suffered mental health declines since COVID-19 pandemic



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Even during the pandemic, Alzheimer's is more feared than COVID-19 and other life-threatening diseases



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Our health spans do not match our life spans

10 years: the average number of years most Americans live in poor health



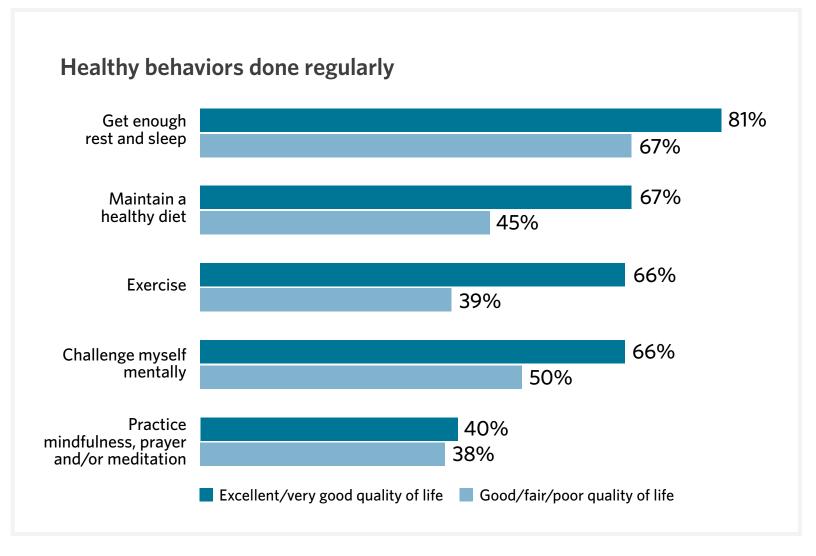
Source: The US Burden of Disease Collaborators. The State of US Health, 1990-2016: Burden of Diseases, Injuries, and Risk Factors Among US States. JAMA. 2018

93% of retirees say it's never too late to improve your health



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# Retirees with high quality of life more actively maintain their health



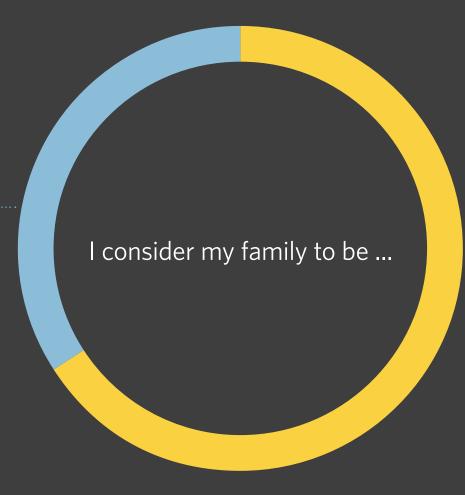
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#### Who is **family**?

34%

Only the people who are related to me by blood, marriage or legal adoption



66%

Anyone I love and care for whether or not I am related to them by blood, marriage or legal adoption

Source: The Edward Jones and Age Wave Thought Leadership Study The Four Pillars of the New Retirement, 2020 (Base: U.S. adults)

"Positive, meaningful and supportive relationships with family and friends are critical to quality of life and health in retirement."

Linda Fried, M.D., MPH, Dean Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University



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## Retirees may put **family first** at the expense of their future security

No **29%** 

Are you willing to offer financial support to your family, even if it could jeopardize your own financial future?

Yes **71%** 

Source: The Edward Jones and Age Wave Thought Leadership Study, The Four Pillars of the New Retirement, 2020 (Base: U.S. retirees ages 50+)

72% of retirees say
that one of their biggest
fears is becoming a
burden on their families



Source: The Edward Jones and Age Wave Thought Leadership Study, The Four Pillars of the New Retirement, 2020 (Base: U.S. retirees)

67% of Americans say the pandemic brought their families closer together



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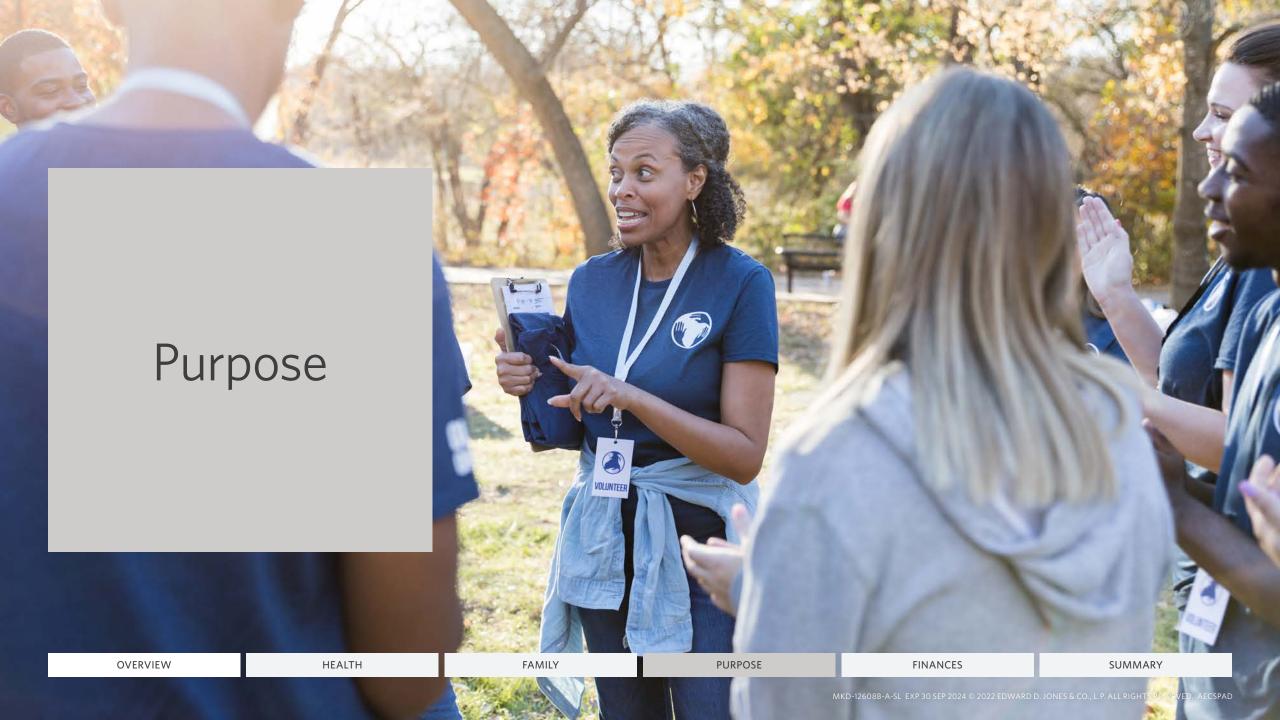
COVID-19 prompted almost 30 million Americans to have end-of-life discussions for the first time



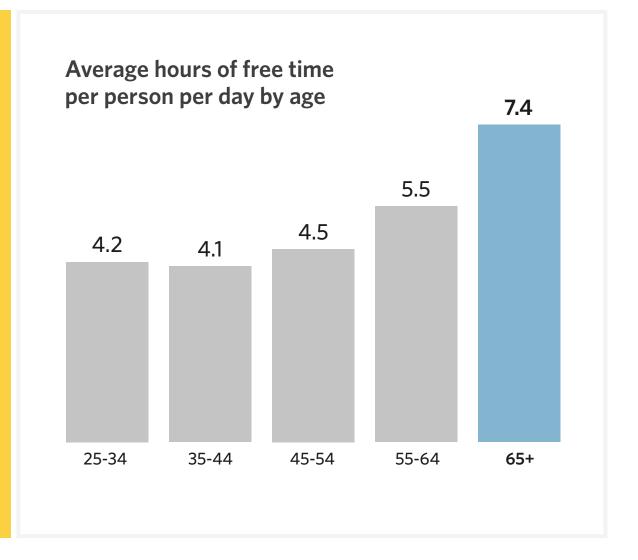
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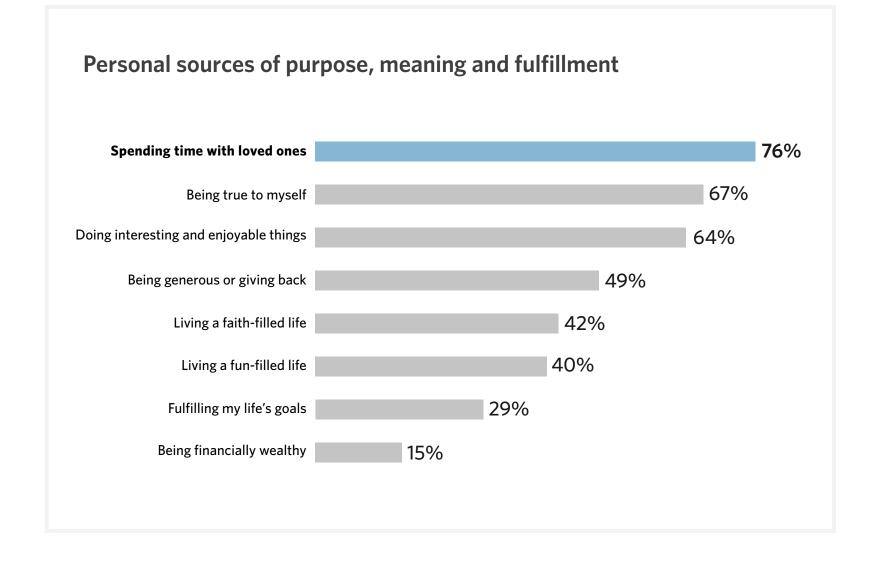


Retirees are faced with a new challenge/opportunity: time affluence



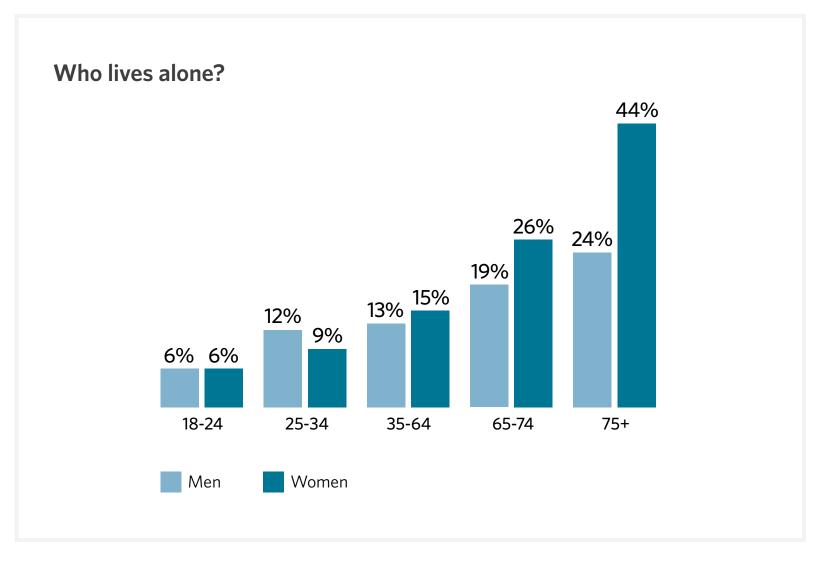
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#### Retirees derive the greatest sense of purpose from **time with loved ones**



Source: The Edward Jones and Age Wave Thought Leadership Study, The Four Pillars of the New Retirement, 2020 (Base: U.S. retirees)

As we age, the health threat of isolation becomes a greater risk, particularly for women



Source: The Edward Jones and Age Wave Thought Leadership Study, *The Four Pillars of the New Retirement*, 2020 (Base: U.S. retirees by self-graded quality of life)

Many retirees say they are struggling to **find a sense of purpose** post-work



Source: The Edward Jones and Age Wave Thought Leadership Study, *The Four Pillars of the New Retirement*, 2020 (Base: U.S. retirees retired less than 5 years)

89% of Americans feel there should be more ways for retirees to use their talents and knowledge for the benefit of their communities and society



Source: The Edward Jones and Age Wave Thought Leadership Study, The Four Pillars of the New Retirement, 2020 (Base: U.S. adults)



#### In retirement, money means freedom and security

46%
Provide security
for the unexpected



45% Give me the freedom to live how I want

**6%**Allow me to buy or experience nice things

3% Other

Source: Edward Jones/Age Wave. The Four Pillars of the New Retirement. 2020 (Base: U.S. retirees

#### **Before COVID-19:**

A quarter of working Americans were on track with retirement savings

#### **During COVID-19:**

20 million Americans stopped contributing to retirement savings



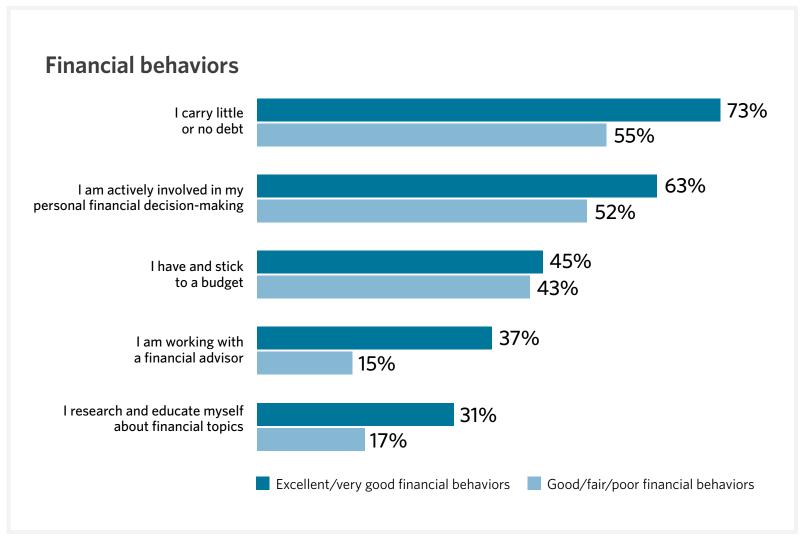
Source: Federal Reserve, Report on the Economic Well-Being of U.S. Households in 2018 - May 2019

84% of those with a financial advisor say their financial advisor gave them a greater sense of comfort about their finances during the pandemic



Source: The Edward Jones and Age Wave Thought Leadership Study, *The Four Pillars of the New Retirement*, 2020 (Base: U.S. adults with a financial advisor)

# Retirees with high quality of life are more actively involved with finances



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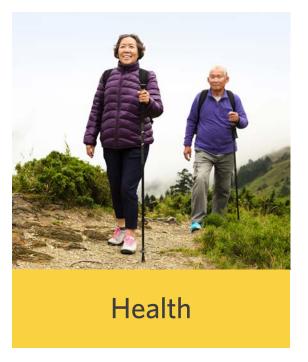
Sage guidance for living well in retirement



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#### The **Four Pillars** of the New Retirement









#### How to live your **best years in retirement**

#### 1st

Work to strengthen each of the Four Pillars in unison

#### 2nd

Check your action/inaction gap

#### 3rd

Ask for help and advice



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