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Social Security Fact of the Day

Social Security cannot afford to pay all of the benefits it has promised. Beginning in 2017, it will run cash deficits that get bigger every year.

Social Security is headed toward financial collapse. The youngest workers in America will be the hardest-hit. Yet, these are precisely the workers who have the least access to workplace retirement plans such as 401(k)s. According to a new study, more than 4 in 10 workers in their twenties do not have access to a workplace retirement plan. That is a far higher rate than workers in their 30s, 40s, and 50s. Without early access to workplace retirement plans, younger workers need personal accounts in Social Security even more urgently. Without the ability to grow savings and use the power of compound interest, younger workers will find themselves playing catch-up to ensure a safe and secure retirement.

The system has a problem, and we need to fix it. Personal accounts are the solution.

Youngest Workers Least Likely to Have Workplace Retirement Plans