

How Victims' Information Is Misused¹

Total Number of Identity Theft Victims = 161,819

January 1 – December 31, 2002

Credit Card Fraud: 42%

Theft Subtypes Percent of All Victims New Accounts 24.4%

Existing Accounts 12.1 Unspecified 5.4

Phone or Utilities Fraud: 22%

Theft Subtypes	Percent of All Victims
Wireless - New	10.5%
Telephone - New	5.2
Utilities - New	3.0
Unauthorized Charges	
to Existing Accounts	s 0.7
Unspecified	2.2

Bank Fraud: 17%

Theft Subtypes	Percent of All Victims
Existing Accounts	8.1%
New Accounts	3.7
Electronic Fund Transf	Fer 3.1
Unspecified	2.0

Employment-Related Fraud: 9%

Theft Subtypes	Percent	t of All V	ictims.
Employment-Related	d Fraud	9.3%	

Government Documents or Benefits Fraud: 8%

Theft Subtypes	Percent of All Victims
Driver's License Issued / For	ged 3.0%
Fraudulent Tax Return	1.9
Social Security Card Issued /	Forged 1.7
Gov't Benefits Applied / Rec'	d 0.8
Other Gov't Docs Issued / For	rged 0.3
Unspecified	0.1

Loan Fraud: 6%

Theft Subtypes	Percent of All Victims
Personal / Business Loan	2.6%
Auto Loan / Lease	2.1
Real Estate Loan	0.9
Unspecified	0.5

Other Identity Theft Fraud: 16%

Theft Subtypes	Percent of All Victims
Other	9.1%
Illegal / Criminal	2.0
Medical	1.7
Internet / E-mail	1.4
Apartment / House Rented	1.0
Bankruptcy	0.4
Securities / Other Investments	0.2

Attempted Identity Theft: 8%

<u>Theft Subtypes</u> <u>Percent of All Victims</u>
Attempted Identity Theft 8.3%

Percentages are based on the 161,819 total victims reporting. Percentages add to more than 100 because approximately 22% of victims reported experiencing more than one type of identity theft. All victims reported experiencing at least one type of identity theft.