

# Millennials: Finances, Risk and the Future

When asked about their single, biggest financial concern, Millennials say



**22%**  
paying monthly bills



**12%**  
burdening dependents  
if I die prematurely



**12%**  
money for a  
comfortable retirement



**9%**  
paying off/reducing  
credit card debt

The fear of meeting monthly expenses is real, as **half of Millennials** say they would have **immediate trouble covering living expenses** if the primary wage earner died.



## But what are they doing to protect against this financial fallout?

Life insurance is there to support your loved ones financially if something happens to you, yet only **half of Millennials own life insurance**, and **23% who have it get it through their job**, which disappears when the job does.

### Plus ...

- **1 in 4 Millennials** admit they **do not have enough life insurance**, and
- 1 in 10 don't even know if they have coverage.

**41%** wish their spouse or partner had more coverage, while 14% aren't even sure if their loved one has coverage or not.

### Smart!

Those who own life insurance, do so to:

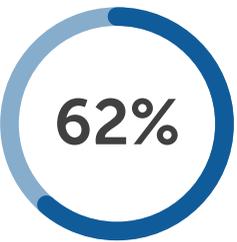


**53%**  
cover burial expenses

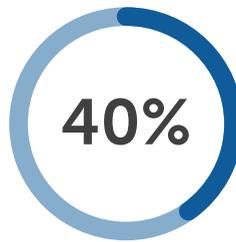


**35%**  
replace lost income

Millennials are also open to **solving future financial problems**:



said they were worried about paying for long-term care services.



said they'd be interested in products that **combine life insurance with long-term care insurance**, if they were looking into buying life insurance.

**A key reason for considering combo products is that it wouldn't be "use it or lose it."**



### #1 reason they don't buy life insurance:

They think it's too expensive, but **8 in 10 people overestimate the cost of life insurance.**

**Those under 30 think it's 3X its true cost.**

### Some may just need more info

**Half of Millennials** say other financial priorities such as mortgage and bills are keeping them from buying life insurance, but how would those costs be covered if they were to die prematurely?



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