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New Data Shows FTC Received 22,113 Fraud Reports from Alabama Consumers in 2022 Alabama consumers reported losing \$53,864,805 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 22,113 fraud reports from consumers in Alabama in 2022, according to newly released data.

Alabama consumers reported losing a total of \$53,864,805 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 70,916 reports from consumers in Alabama in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Alabama was Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; followed by Identity Theft; Imposter Scams; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

Nationally, consumers reported losing nearly \$8.8 billion to fraud in 2022, up from \$5.8 billion in 2021. Consumers reported losing more money to investment scams—more than \$3.8 billion—than any other category in 2022. That amount more than doubles the amount reported lost in 2021. The second highest reported loss amount came from imposter scams, with losses of \$2.6 billion reported, up from \$2.3 billion in 2021.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 4,409 Fraud Reports from Alaska Consumers in 2022 Alaska consumers reported losing \$16,691,422 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 4,409 fraud reports from consumers in Alaska in 2022, according to newly released data.

Alaska consumers reported losing a total of \$16,691,422 to fraud, with a median loss of \$950.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 6,986 reports from consumers in Alaska in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Alaska was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Prizes, Sweepstakes and Lotteries; and Credit Bureaus, Info Furnishers and Report Users.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 43,960 Fraud Reports from Arizona Consumers in 2022 Arizona consumers reported losing \$173,944,111 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 43,960 fraud reports from consumers in Arizona in 2022, according to newly released data.

Arizona consumers reported losing a total of \$173,944,111 to fraud, with a median loss of \$804.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 94,425 reports from consumers in Arizona in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Arizona was Identity Theft; followed by Imposter Scams; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 12,917 Fraud Reports from Arkansas Consumers in 2022 Arkansas consumers reported losing \$34,563,485 to scams last year

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Arkansas consumers reported losing a total of \$34,563,485 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 28,975 reports from consumers in Arkansas in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Arkansas was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 213,223 Fraud Reports from California Consumers in 2022 California consumers reported losing \$1,348,767,079 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 213,223 fraud reports from consumers in California in 2022, according to newly released data.

California consumers reported losing a total of \$1,348,767,079 to fraud, with a median loss of \$900.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 498,397 reports from consumers in California in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in California was Identity Theft; followed by Imposter Scams; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 39,926 Fraud Reports from Colorado Consumers in 2022 Colorado consumers reported losing \$138,154,434 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 39,926 fraud reports from consumers in Colorado in 2022, according to newly released data.

Colorado consumers reported losing a total of \$138,154,434 to fraud, with a median loss of \$600.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 70,417 reports from consumers in Colorado in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Colorado was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 18,340 Fraud Reports from Connecticut Consumers in 2022 Connecticut consumers reported losing \$57,488,024 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 18,340 fraud reports from consumers in Connecticut in 2022, according to newly released data.

Connecticut consumers reported losing a total of \$57,488,024 to fraud, with a median loss of \$670.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 40,269 reports from consumers in Connecticut in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Connecticut was Identity Theft; followed by Imposter Scams; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 6,742 Fraud Reports from Delaware Consumers in 2022 Delaware consumers reported losing \$19,035,794 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 6,742 fraud reports from consumers in Delaware in 2022, according to newly released data.

Delaware consumers reported losing a total of \$19,035,794 to fraud, with a median loss of \$700.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 19,252 reports from consumers in Delaware in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Delaware was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 6,285 Fraud Reports from District of Columbia Consumers in 2022

D.C. consumers reported losing \$19,009,213 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 6,285 fraud reports from consumers in the District of Columbia in 2022, according to newly released data.

District consumers reported losing a total of \$19,009,213 to fraud, with a median loss of \$623.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 15,193 reports from consumers in D.C. in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in the District was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Banks and Lenders; and Online Shopping and Negative Reviews.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 138,515 Fraud Reports from Florida Consumers in 2022 Florida consumers reported losing \$556,817,240 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 138,515 fraud reports from consumers in Florida in 2022, according to newly released data.

Florida consumers reported losing a total of \$556,817,240 to fraud, with a median loss of \$800.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 417,956 reports from consumers in Florida in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Florida was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Banks and Lenders; and Online Shopping and Negative Reviews.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 61,187 Fraud Reports from Georgia Consumers in 2022 Georgia consumers reported losing \$158,447,633 to scams last year

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Georgia consumers reported losing a total of \$158,447,633 to fraud, with a median loss of \$600.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 223,305 reports from consumers in Georgia in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Georgia was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Banks and Lenders; and Online Shopping and Negative Reviews.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 7,885 Fraud Reports from Hawaii Consumers in 2022 Hawaii consumers reported losing \$37,902,730 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 7,885 fraud reports from consumers in Hawaii in 2022, according to newly released data.

Hawaii consumers reported losing a total of \$37,902,730 to fraud, with a median loss of \$845.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 13,064 reports from consumers in Hawaii in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Hawaii was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 9,094 Fraud Reports from Idaho Consumers in 2022

Idaho consumers reported losing \$29,231,804 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 9,094 fraud reports from consumers in Idaho in 2022, according to newly released data.

Idaho consumers reported losing a total of \$29,231,804 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 15,252 reports from consumers in Idaho in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Idaho was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Banks and Lenders; and Prizes, Sweepstakes and Lotteries.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

Nationally, consumers reported losing nearly \$8.8 billion to fraud in 2022, up from \$5.8 billion in 2021. Consumers reported losing more money to investment scams—more than \$3.8 billion—than any other category in 2022. That amount more than doubles the amount reported lost in 2021. The second highest reported loss amount came from imposter scams, with losses of \$2.6 billion reported, up from \$2.3 billion in 2021.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 63,992 Fraud Reports from Illinois Consumers in 2022 Illinois consumers reported losing \$199,135,728 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 63,992 fraud reports from consumers in Illinois in 2022, according to newly released data.

Illinois consumers reported losing a total of \$199,135,728 to fraud, with a median loss of \$600.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 171,883 reports from consumers in Illinois in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Illinois was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Banks and Lenders; and Online Shopping and Negative Reviews.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 31,484 Fraud Reports from Indiana Consumers in 2022 Indiana consumers reported losing \$61,860,100 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 31,484 fraud reports from consumers in Indiana in 2022, according to newly released data.

Indiana consumers reported losing a total of \$61,860,100 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 65,756 reports from consumers in Indiana in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Indiana was Identity Theft; followed by Imposter Scams; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 12,063 Fraud Reports from Iowa Consumers in 2022

Iowa consumers reported losing \$29,944,600 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 12,063 fraud reports from consumers in Iowa in 2022, according to newly released data.

Iowa consumers reported losing a total of \$29,944,600 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 21,551 reports from consumers in Iowa in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Iowa was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 13,858 Fraud Reports from Kansas Consumers in 2022 Kansas consumers reported losing \$40,799,748 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 13,858 fraud reports from consumers in Kansas in 2022, according to newly released data.

Kansas consumers reported losing a total of \$40,799,748 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 26,893 reports from consumers in Kansas in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Kansas was Identity Theft; followed by Imposter Scams; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Credit Bureaus, Info Furnishers and Report Users; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 20,935 Fraud Reports from Kentucky Consumers in 2022 Kentucky consumers reported losing \$47,977,240 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 20,935 fraud reports from consumers in Kentucky in 2022, according to newly released data.

Kentucky consumers reported losing a total of \$47,977,240 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 38,674 reports from consumers in Kentucky in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Kentucky was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 19,522 Fraud Reports from Louisiana Consumers in 2022 Louisiana consumers reported losing \$43,179,357 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 19,522 fraud reports from consumers in Louisiana in 2022, according to newly released data.

Louisiana consumers reported losing a total of \$43,179,357 to fraud, with a median loss of \$534.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 69,035 reports from consumers in Louisiana in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Louisiana was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Banks and Lenders; and Online Shopping and Negative Reviews.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 6,873 Fraud Reports from Maine Consumers in 2022 Maine consumers reported losing \$21,714,301 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 6,873 fraud reports from consumers in Maine in 2022, according to newly released data.

Maine consumers reported losing a total of \$21,714,301 to fraud, with a median loss of \$600.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 11,728 reports from consumers in Maine in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Maine was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Banks and Lenders; and Prizes, Sweepstakes and Lotteries.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 40,460 Fraud Reports from Maryland Consumers in 2022 Maryland consumers reported losing \$132,975,026 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 40,460 fraud reports from consumers in Maryland in 2022, according to newly released data.

Maryland consumers reported losing a total of \$132,975,026 to fraud, with a median loss of \$742.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 103,023 reports from consumers in Maryland in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Maryland was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Banks and Lenders; and Online Shopping and Negative Reviews.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 37,925 Fraud Reports from Massachusetts Consumers in 2022 Massachusetts consumers reported losing \$136,182,935 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 37,925 fraud reports from consumers in Massachusetts in 2022, according to newly released data.

Massachusetts consumers reported losing a total of \$136,182,935 to fraud, with a median loss of \$700.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 75,843 reports from consumers in Massachusetts in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Massachusetts was Identity Theft; followed by Imposter Scams; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 49,372 Fraud Reports from Michigan Consumers in 2022 Michigan consumers reported losing \$133,908,860 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 49,372 fraud reports from consumers in Michigan in 2022, according to newly released data.

Michigan consumers reported losing a total of \$133,908,860 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 110,793 reports from consumers in Michigan in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Michigan was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 27,508 Fraud Reports from Minnesota Consumers in 2022 Minnesota consumers reported losing \$80,431,719 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 27,508 fraud reports from consumers in Minnesota in 2022, according to newly released data.

Minnesota consumers reported losing a total of \$80,431,719 to fraud, with a median loss of \$600.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 49,419 reports from consumers in Minnesota in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Minnesota was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 11,121 Fraud Reports from Mississippi Consumers in 2022 Mississippi consumers reported losing \$22,929,665 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 11,121 fraud reports from consumers in Mississippi in 2022, according to newly released data.

Mississippi consumers reported losing a total of \$22,929,665 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 36,244 reports from consumers in Mississippi in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Mississippi was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Banks and Lenders; and Online Shopping and Negative Reviews.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 31,873 Fraud Reports from Missouri Consumers in 2022

Missouri consumers reported losing \$83,673,092 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 31,873 fraud reports from consumers in Missouri in 2022, according to newly released data.

Missouri consumers reported losing a total of \$83,673,092 to fraud, with a median loss of \$563.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 68,624 reports from consumers in Missouri in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Missouri was Identity Theft; followed by Imposter Scams; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 5,683 Fraud Reports from Montana Consumers in 2022 Montana consumers reported losing \$17,004,601 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 5,683 fraud reports from consumers in Montana in 2022, according to newly released data.

Montana consumers reported losing a total of \$17,004,601 to fraud, with a median loss of \$575.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 9,197 reports from consumers in Montana in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Montana was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Prizes, Sweepstakes and Lotteries; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 9,172 Fraud Reports from Nebraska Consumers in 2022 Nebraska consumers reported losing \$23,932,566 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 9,172 fraud reports from consumers in Nebraska in 2022, according to newly released data.

Nebraska consumers reported losing a total of \$23,932,566 to fraud, with a median loss of \$550.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 15,325 reports from consumers in Nebraska in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Nebraska was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Credit Bureaus, Info Furnishers and Report Users; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 21,852 Fraud Reports from Nevada Consumers in 2022 Nevada consumers reported losing \$108,430,340 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 21,852 fraud reports from consumers in Nevada in 2022, according to newly released data.

Nevada consumers reported losing a total of \$108,430,340 to fraud, with a median loss of \$800.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 56,753 reports from consumers in Nevada in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Nevada was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 7,894 Fraud Reports from New Hampshire Consumers in 2022

New Hampshire consumers reported losing \$18,313,546 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 7,894 fraud reports from consumers in New Hampshire in 2022, according to newly released data.

New Hampshire consumers reported losing a total of \$18,313,546 to fraud, with a median loss of \$540.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 13,547 reports from consumers in New Hampshire in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in New Hampshire was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Banks and Lenders; and Auto Related.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 48,226 Fraud Reports from New Jersey Consumers in 2022 New Jersey consumers reported losing \$231,108,158 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 48,226 fraud reports from consumers in New Jersey in 2022, according to newly released data.

New Jersey consumers reported losing a total of \$231,108,158 to fraud, with a median loss of \$800.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 123,785 reports from consumers in New Jersey in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in New Jersey was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Banks and Lenders; and Online Shopping and Negative Reviews.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 11,607 Fraud Reports from New Mexico Consumers in 2022 New Mexico consumers reported losing \$38,157,630 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 11,607 fraud reports from consumers in New Mexico in 2022, according to newly released data.

New Mexico consumers reported losing a total of \$38,157,630 to fraud, with a median loss of \$700.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 20,342 reports from consumers in New Mexico in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in New Mexico was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Credit Bureaus, Info Furnishers and Report Users; and Prizes, Sweepstakes and Lotteries.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 100,476 Fraud Reports from New York Consumers in 2022 New York consumers reported losing \$397,753,483 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 100,476 fraud reports from consumers in New York in 2022, according to newly released data.

New York consumers reported losing a total of \$397,753,483 to fraud, with a median loss of \$700.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 250,936 reports from consumers in New York in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in New York was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 54,867 Fraud Reports from North Carolina Consumers in 2022

North Carolina consumers reported losing \$148,931,452 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 54,867 fraud reports from consumers in North Carolina in 2022, according to newly released data.

North Carolina consumers reported losing a total of \$148,931,452 to fraud, with a median loss of \$549.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 141,699 reports from consumers in North Carolina in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in North Carolina was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 2,725 Fraud Reports from North Dakota Consumers in 2022 North Dakota consumers reported losing \$11,190,341 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 2,725 fraud reports from consumers in North Dakota in 2022, according to newly released data.

North Dakota consumers reported losing a total of \$11,190,341 to fraud, with a median loss of \$800.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 4,923 reports from consumers in North Dakota in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in North Dakota was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; and Prizes, Sweepstakes and Lotteries.

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Ohio consumers reported losing \$135,283,585 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 57,534 fraud reports from consumers in Ohio in 2022, according to newly released data.

Ohio consumers reported losing a total of \$135,283,585 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 134,369 reports from consumers in Ohio in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Ohio was Identity Theft; followed by Imposter Scams; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 17,072 Fraud Reports from Oklahoma Consumers in 2022 Oklahoma consumers reported losing \$54,561,217 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 17,072 fraud reports from consumers in Oklahoma in 2022, according to newly released data.

Oklahoma consumers reported losing a total of \$54,561,217 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 34,503 reports from consumers in Oklahoma in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Oklahoma was Identity Theft; followed by Imposter Scams; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 27,120 Fraud Reports from Oregon Consumers in 2022 Oregon consumers reported losing \$85,399,463 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 27,120 fraud reports from consumers in Oregon in 2022, according to newly released data.

Oregon consumers reported losing a total of \$85,399,463 to fraud, with a median loss of \$600.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 44,996 reports from consumers in Oregon in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Oregon was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Banks and Lenders; and Prizes, Sweepstakes and Lotteries.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 69,735 Fraud Reports from Pennsylvania Consumers in 2022 Pennsylvania consumers reported losing \$169,166,342 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 69,735 fraud reports from consumers in Pennsylvania in 2022, according to newly released data.

Pennsylvania consumers reported losing a total of \$169,166,342 to fraud, with a median loss of \$509.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 194,453 reports from consumers in Pennsylvania in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Pennsylvania was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 3,351 Fraud Reports from Puerto Rico Consumers in 2022 Puerto Rico consumers reported losing \$7,383,819 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 3,351 fraud reports from consumers in Puerto Rico in 2022, according to newly released data.

Puerto Rico consumers reported losing a total of \$7,383,819 to fraud, with a median loss of \$508.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 7,468 reports from consumers in Puerto Rico in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Puerto Rico was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Banks and Lenders; and Online Shopping and Negative Reviews.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 5,448 Fraud Reports from Rhode Island Consumers in 2022 Rhode Island consumers reported losing \$14,916,470 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 5,448 fraud reports from consumers in Rhode Island in 2022, according to newly released data.

Rhode Island consumers reported losing a total of \$14,916,470 to fraud, with a median loss of \$600.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 11,584 reports from consumers in Rhode Island in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Rhode Island was Identity Theft; followed by Imposter Scams; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 27,155 Fraud Reports from South Carolina Consumers in 2022

South Carolina consumers reported losing \$75,905,349 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 27,155 fraud reports from consumers in South Carolina in 2022, according to newly released data.

South Carolina consumers reported losing a total of \$75,905,349 to fraud, with a median loss of \$560.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 75,355 reports from consumers in South Carolina in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in South Carolina was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Banks and Lenders; and Online Shopping and Negative Reviews.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 3,237 Fraud Reports from South Dakota Consumers in 2022 South Dakota consumers reported losing \$10,599,419 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 3,237 fraud reports from consumers in South Dakota in 2022, according to newly released data.

South Dakota consumers reported losing a total of \$10,599,419 to fraud, with a median loss of \$600.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 5,499 reports from consumers in South Dakota in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in South Dakota was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Banks and Lenders; and Prizes, Sweepstakes and Lotteries.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 36,802 Fraud Reports from Tennessee Consumers in 2022 Tennessee consumers reported losing \$108,513,499 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 36,802 fraud reports from consumers in Tennessee in 2022, according to newly released data.

Tennessee consumers reported losing a total of \$108,513,499 to fraud, with a median loss of \$525.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 88,135 reports from consumers in Tennessee in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Tennessee was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 137,897 Fraud Reports from Texas Consumers in 2022

Texas consumers reported losing \$555,844,875 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 137,897 fraud reports from consumers in Texas in 2022, according to newly released data.

Texas consumers reported losing a total of \$555,844,875 to fraud, with a median loss of \$660.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 408,186 reports from consumers in Texas in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Texas was Identity Theft; followed by Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Imposter Scams; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 17,208 Fraud Reports from Utah Consumers in 2022

Utah consumers reported losing \$62,270,305 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 17,208 fraud reports from consumers in Utah in 2022, according to newly released data.

Utah consumers reported losing a total of \$62,270,305 to fraud, with a median loss of \$700.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 30,259 reports from consumers in Utah in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Utah was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 3,596 Fraud Reports from Vermont Consumers in 2022 Vermont consumers reported losing \$7,885,771 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 3,596 fraud reports from consumers in Vermont in 2022, according to newly released data.

Vermont consumers reported losing a total of \$7,885,771 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 5,549 reports from consumers in Vermont in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Vermont was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Banks and Lenders; and Prizes, Sweepstakes and Lotteries.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 52,349 Fraud Reports from Virginia Consumers in 2022

Virginia consumers reported losing \$179,169,999 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 52,349 fraud reports from consumers in Virginia in 2022, according to newly released data.

Virginia consumers reported losing a total of \$179,169,999 to fraud, with a median loss of \$650.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 116,465 reports from consumers in Virginia in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Virginia was Identity Theft; followed by Imposter Scams; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

Nationally, consumers reported losing nearly \$8.8 billion to fraud in 2022, up from \$5.8 billion in 2021. Consumers reported losing more money to investment scams—more than \$3.8 billion—than any other category in 2022. That amount more than doubles the amount reported lost in 2021. The second highest reported loss amount came from imposter scams, with losses of \$2.6 billion reported, up from \$2.3 billion in 2021.

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New Data Shows FTC Received 48,468 Fraud Reports from Washington Consumers in 2022 Washington consumers reported losing \$215,496,044 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 48,468 fraud reports from consumers in Washington in 2022, according to newly released data.

Washington consumers reported losing a total of \$215,496,044 to fraud, with a median loss of \$750.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 82,174 reports from consumers in Washington in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Washington was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Banks and Lenders; and Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 8,578 Fraud Reports from West Virginia Consumers in 2022 West Virginia consumers reported losing \$19,381,378 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 8,578 fraud reports from consumers in West Virginia in 2022, according to newly released data.

West Virginia consumers reported losing a total of \$19,381,378 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 15,624 reports from consumers in West Virginia in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in West Virginia was Identity Theft; followed by Imposter Scams; Prizes, Sweepstakes and Lotteries; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 28,157 Fraud Reports from Wisconsin Consumers in 2022

Wisconsin consumers reported losing \$88,248,309 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 28,157 fraud reports from consumers in Wisconsin in 2022, according to newly released data.

Wisconsin consumers reported losing a total of \$88,248,309 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 52,439 reports from consumers in Wisconsin in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Wisconsin was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Credit Bureaus, Information Furnishers and Report Users; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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New Data Shows FTC Received 2,942 Fraud Reports from Wyoming Consumers in 2022 Wyoming consumers reported losing \$11,293,782 to scams last year

The Federal Trade Commission received 2,942 fraud reports from consumers in Wyoming in 2022, according to newly released data.

Wyoming consumers reported losing a total of \$11,293,782 to fraud, with a median loss of \$500.

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Across all types of reports, the FTC received a total of 4,620 reports from consumers in Wyoming in 2022.

The top category of reports received from consumers in Wyoming was Imposter Scams; followed by Identity Theft; Online Shopping and Negative Reviews; Prizes, Sweepstakes and Lotteries; and Banks and Lenders.

Fraud Losses Up Nationwide

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