

# RX EYEWEAR USE IS RISING

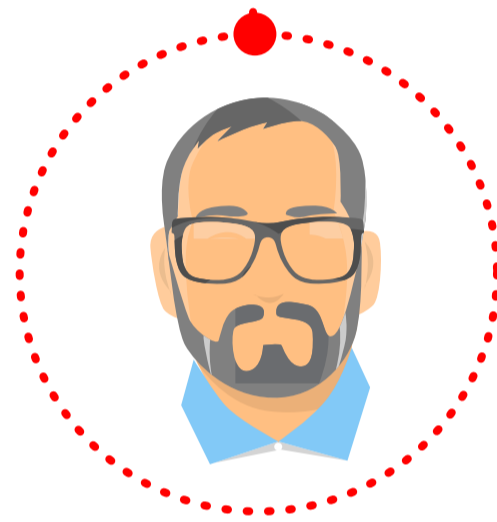
We rely on our eyes to experience the world – and to make a living. Clear vision is also vital to avoiding injury at work.

Rx eyeglass use is on the rise<sup>1</sup>, and workers' vision must remain corrected – even when safety eyewear is worn.

**159.2 MILLION** | 2 OUT OF 3 ADULTS WEAR RX EYEGLASSES

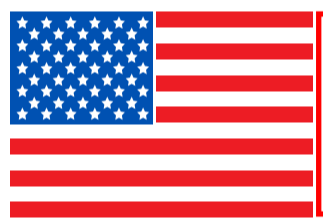
**13 MILLION** ADDITIONAL ADULTS SAY THEY NEED VISION CORRECTION BUT DON'T USE IT

**FACTORS FUELING THE RISE IN CORRECTIVE EYEWEAR USE:**

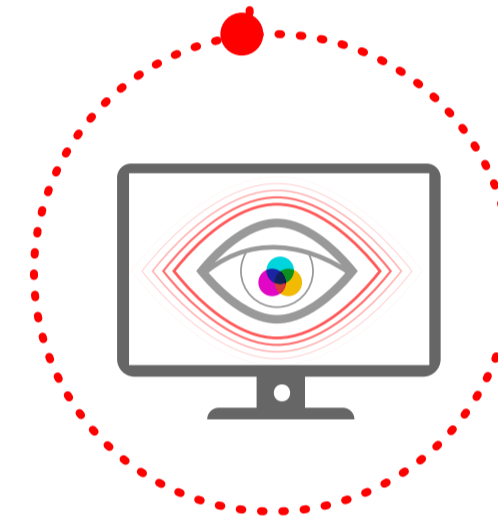
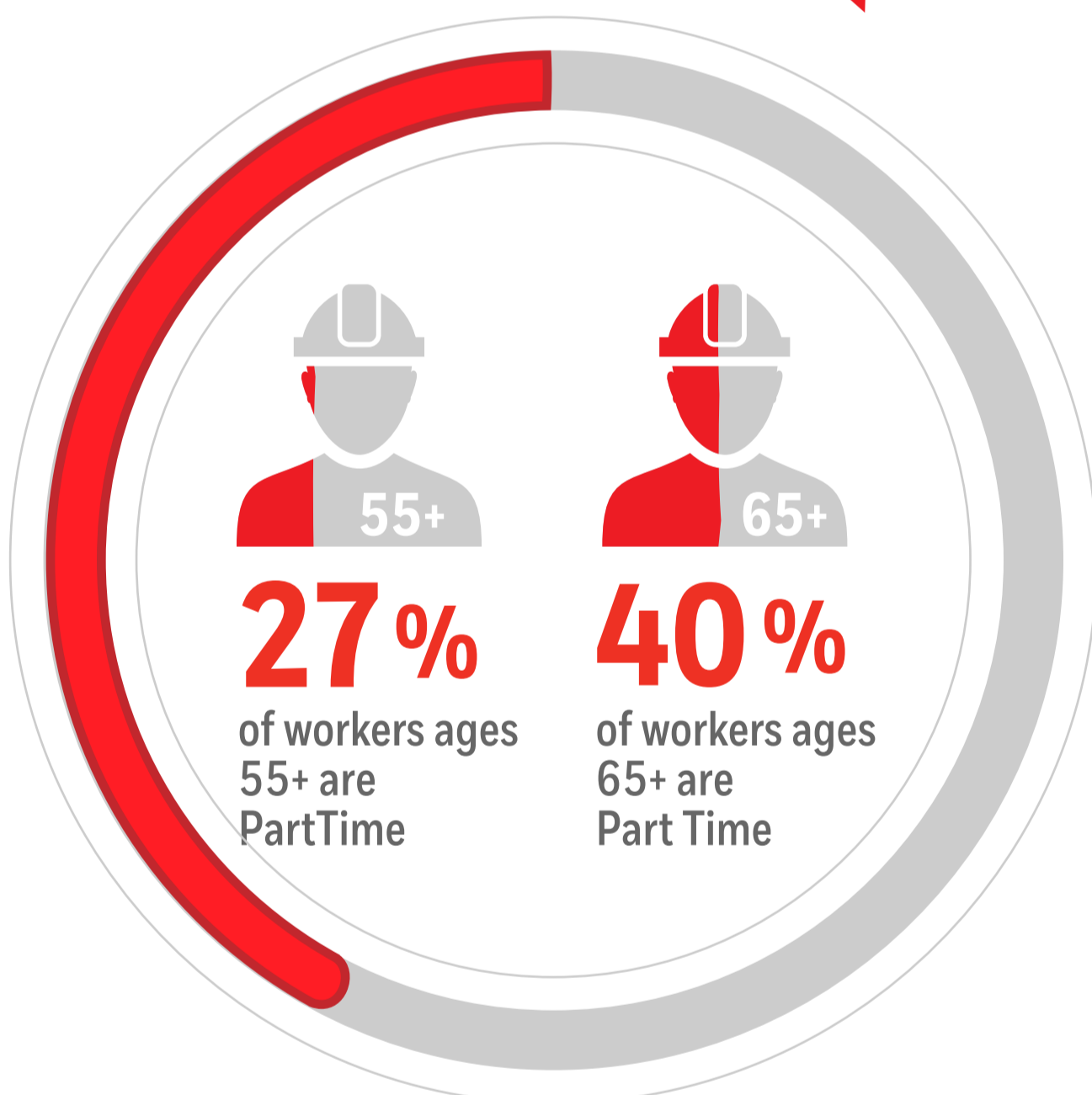


**AGING WORKFORCE**

Rx eyeglass usage has increased most among this generation and many work part-time



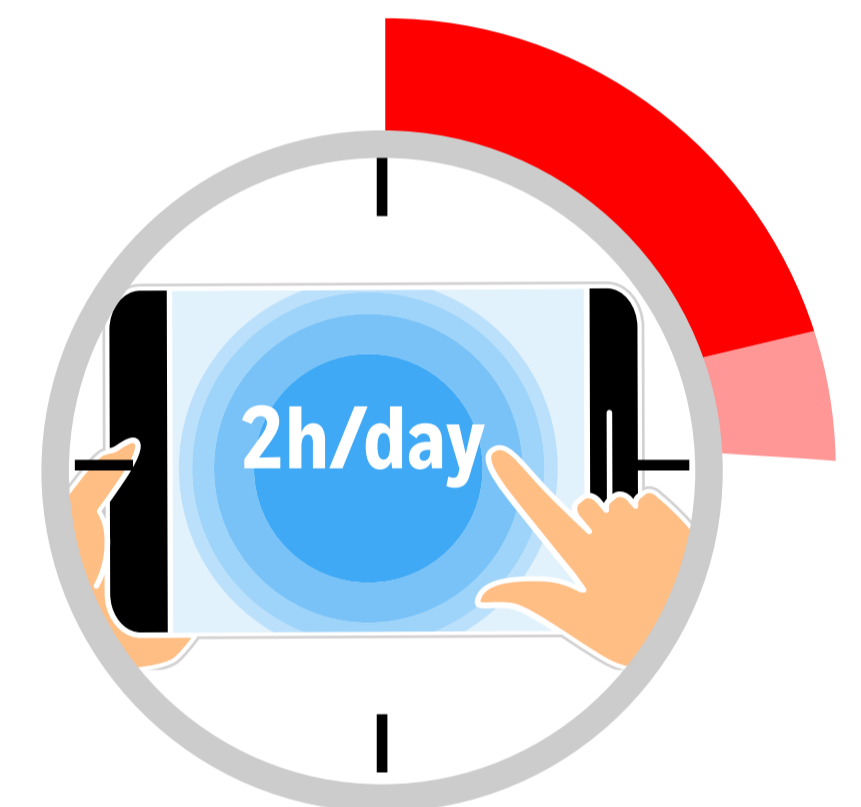
**BABY BOOMERS (55+)**  
make up one quarter of the U.S. workforce



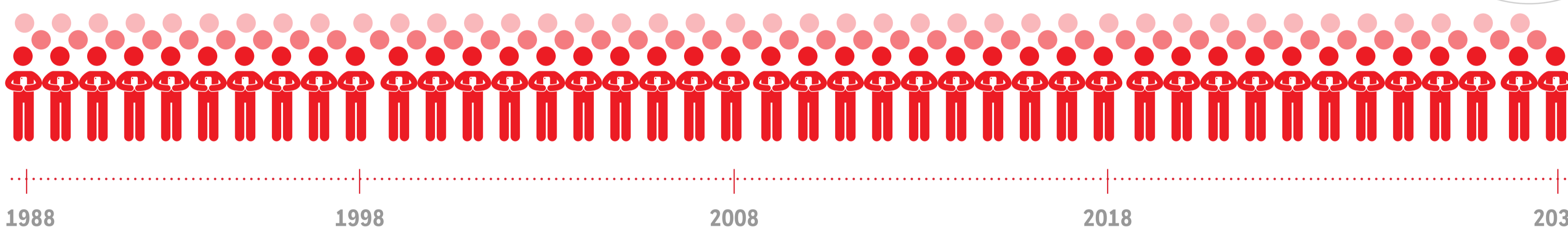
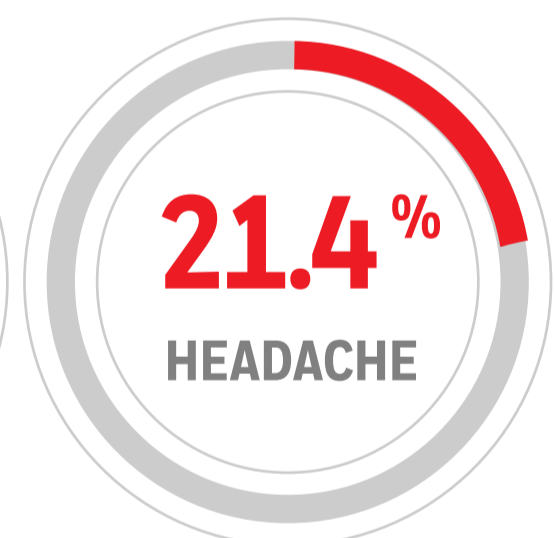
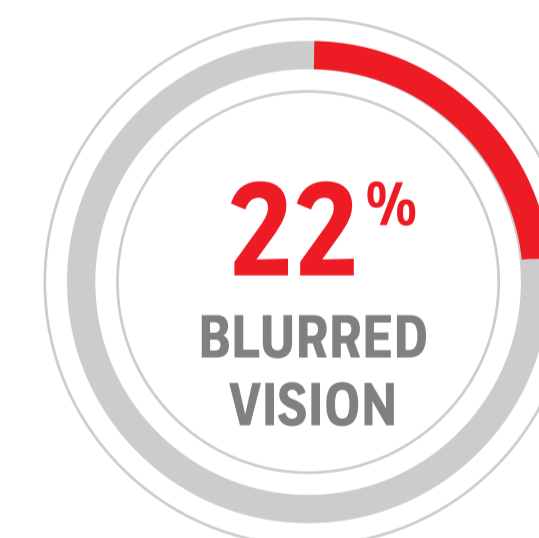
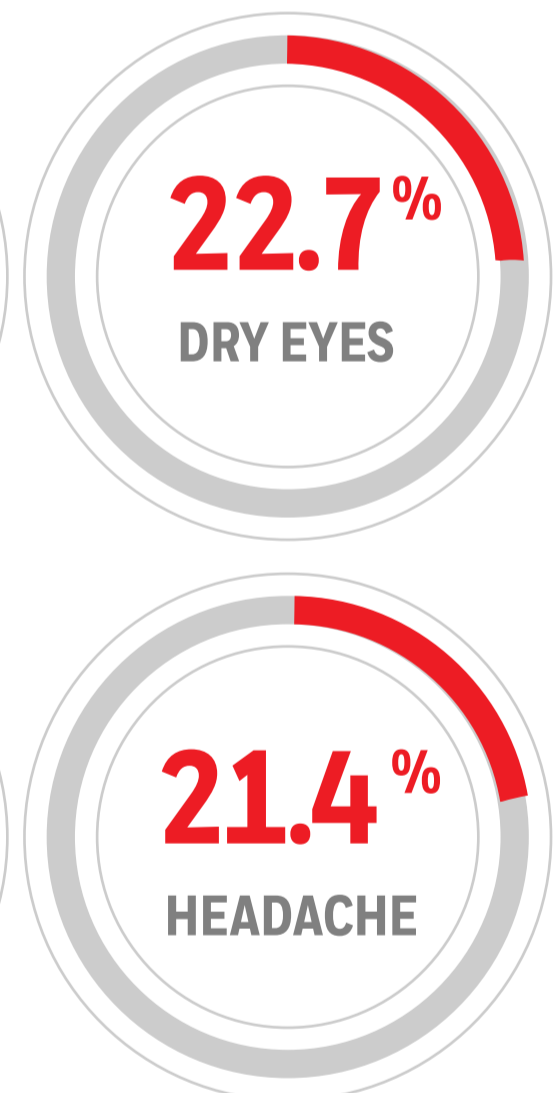
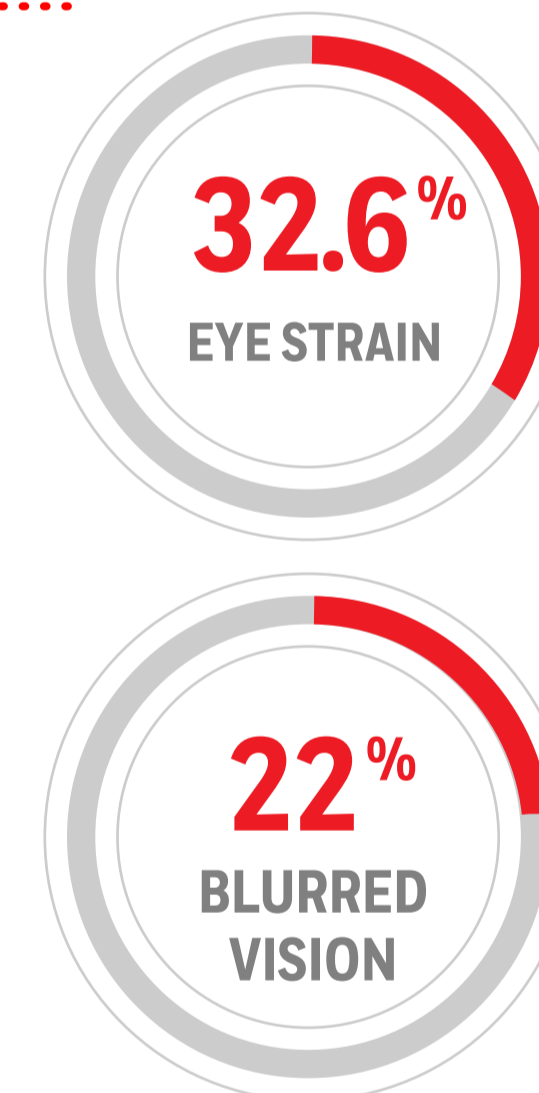
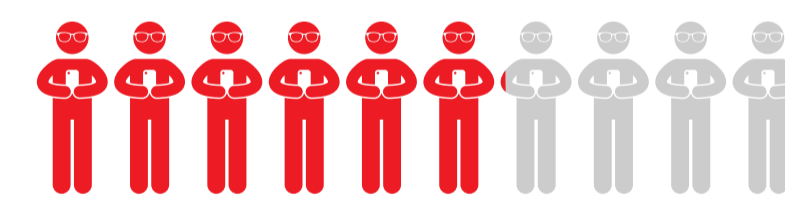
**DIGITAL EYESTRAIN**

Digital eyestrain is causing a rapid increase in myopia (nearsightedness)

**>83%** of Americans report using digital devices more than 2 hours/day



**60.5%** report experiencing symptoms of digital eye strain including:



By 2030, **40 million** will be affected

**> 66% increase** in myopia over the past 30 years

**RISKS:**

**WHEN VISION LOSS GOES UNCORRECTED, EMPLOYERS AND WORKERS FACE SERIOUS RISKS**

- ⚠ WORKERS MAY EXPERIENCE IRREPARABLE EYE INJURY OR CATASTROPHIC BODILY INJURY
- ⚠ EMPLOYERS SEE DECREASED PRODUCTIVITY
- ⚠ EMPLOYERS MAY PAY THOUSANDS (EVEN MILLIONS) IN INJURY-RELATED COSTS

**Protecting Workers' Eyes – Maintaining Vision Correction is More Important than Ever**

OVER-THE-GLASS (OTG) styles are an ideal solution for workers who wear corrective lenses; they're simply worn over RX eyewear.

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<sup>1</sup><https://www.thevisioncouncil.org/sites/default/files/Q415-Topline-Overview-Presentation-Stats-with-Notes-FINAL.PDF>