

# Committee on Ways and Means

## Social Security Number and Identity Theft *Information Resources*

### Social Security Administration's History of Social Security Numbers

<http://www.socialsecurity.gov/history/ssn/ssnchron.html>

### Federal Trade Commission Identity Theft Statistics

<http://www.consumer.gov/idtheft/stats.html>

### General Accounting Office's Reports on Identity Theft and Social Security Number Misuse

<http://www.gao.gov/>

- *Social Security Numbers: Private Sector Entities Routinely Obtain and Use SSNs, and Laws Limit the Disclosure of This Information.* January 22, 2004. **GAO-04-11.**
- *Social Security Numbers: Ensuring the Integrity of the SSN.* July 10, 2003. **GAO-03-941T.**
- *Identity Theft: Greater Awareness and Use of Existing Data are Needed.* June 28, 2002. **GAO-02-766.**
- *Identity Fraud: Prevalence and Links to Alien Illegal Activities.* June 25, 2002. **GAO-02-830T.**
- *Social Security Numbers: Government Benefits from SSN Use but Could Provide Better Safeguards.* May 31, 2002. **GAO-02-352.**
- *Social Security Numbers: SSNs are Widely Used by Government and Could Be Better Protected.* April 29, 2002. **GAO-02-691T.**
- *Identity Theft: Prevalence and Cost Appear to be Growing.* March 1, 2002. **GAO-02-363.**
- *Identity Theft: Available Data Indicate Growth in Prevalence and Cost.* February 14, 2002. **GAO-02-424T.**
- *Responses to Questions From May 18<sup>th</sup> Hearing on Uses of Social Security Numbers.* August 21, 2000. **HEHS/AIMD-00-289R.**
- *Social Security Numbers: Subcommittee Questions Concerning the Use of the Number for Purposes Not Related to Social Security.* July 7, 2000. **HEHS/AIMD-00-253R.**
- *Social Security: Government and Other Uses of the Social Security Number are Widespread.* May 18, 2000. **T-HEHS-00-120.**
- *Social Security: Use of the Social Security Number is Widespread.* May 9, 2000. **T-HEHS-00-111.**
- *Social Security: Government and Commercial Use of the Social Security Number is Widespread.* February 16, 1999. **HEHS-99-28.**