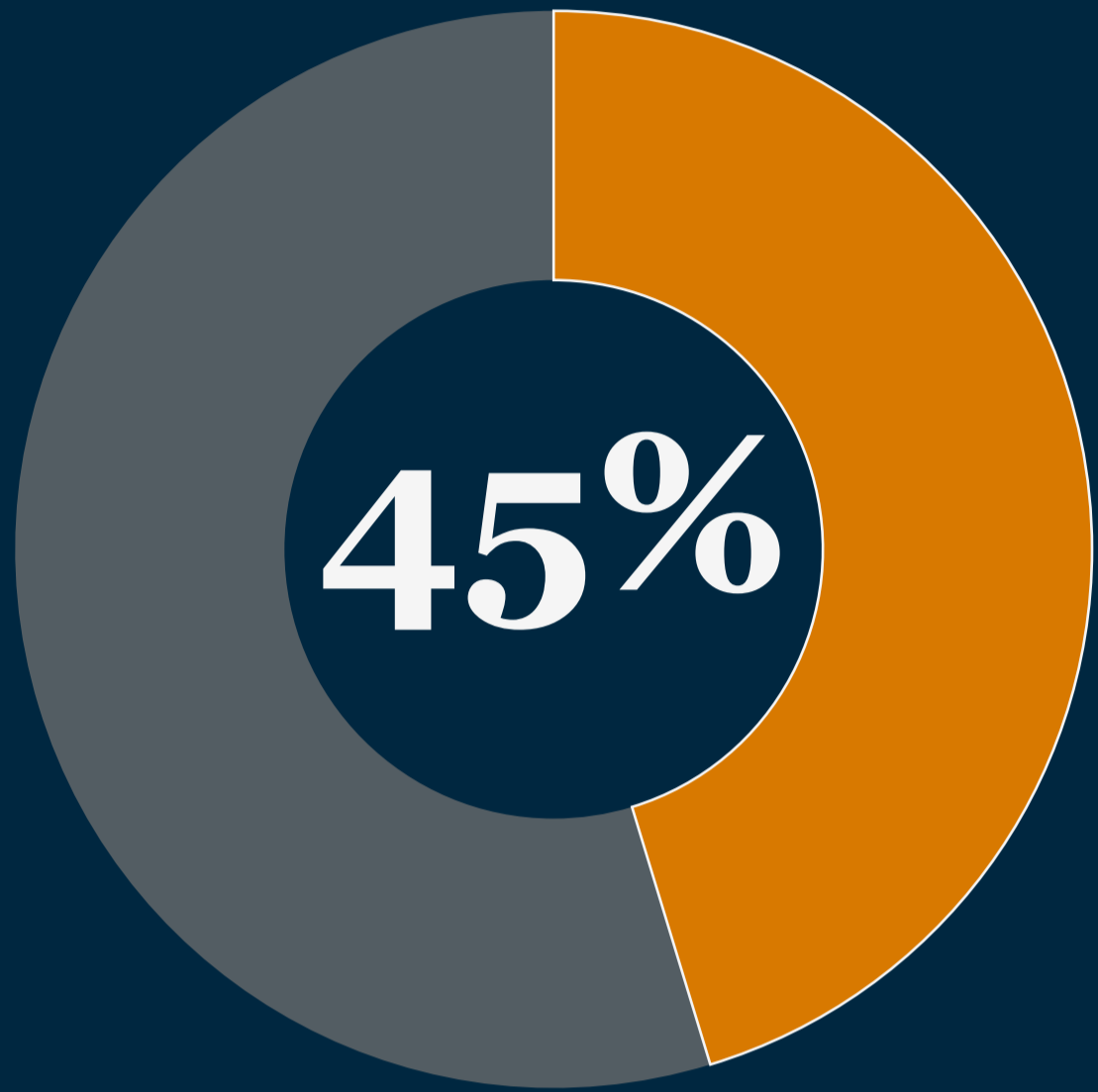
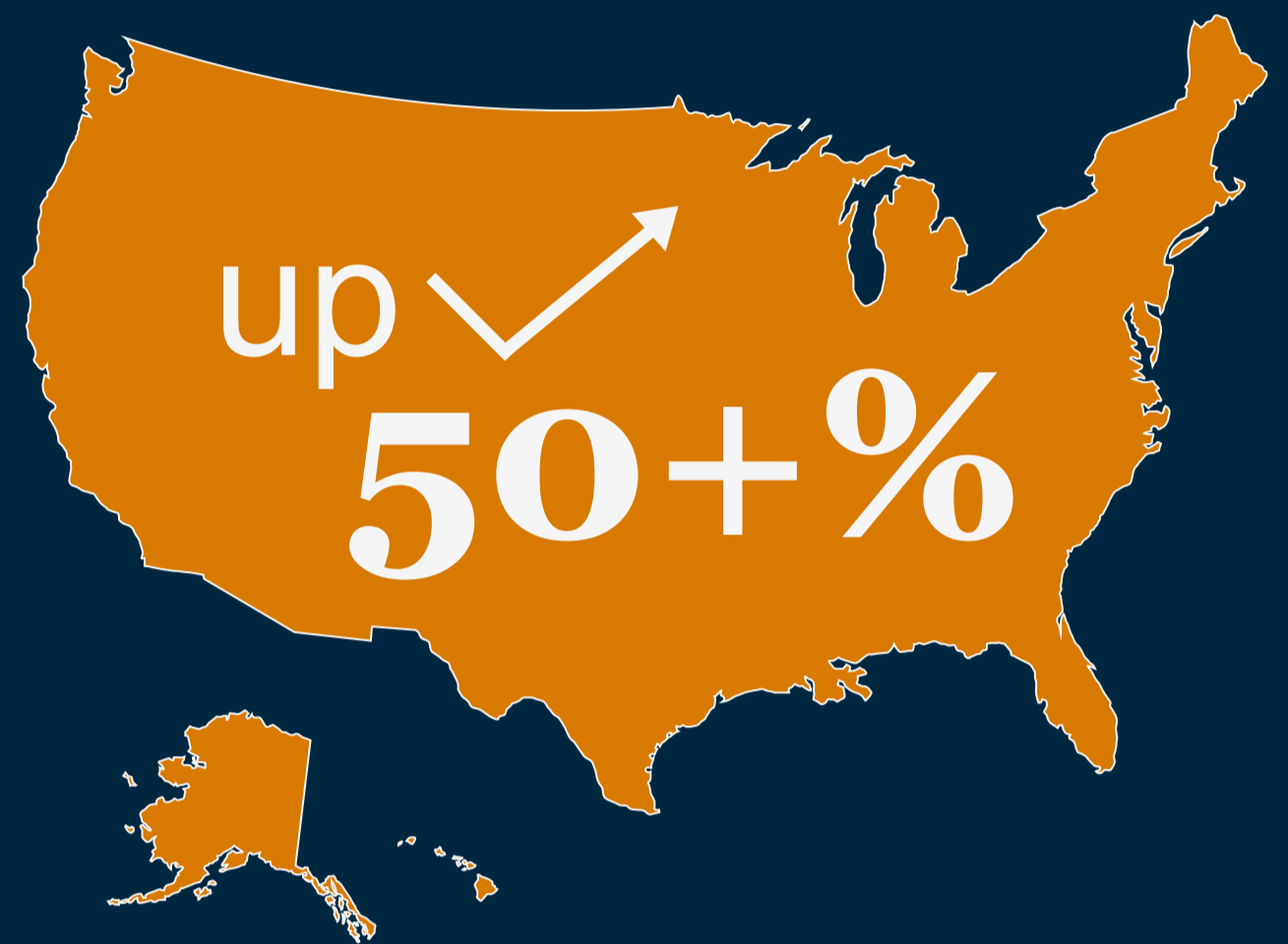


334,000

Tax Refund Victims
Last Year¹



Of All
ID Theft
Complaints
Filed with
the FTC
Were Tax or
Wage-Related²



Increase in Number of ID Theft
Complaints in the Past Two Years

What is the cause of more tax refund identity fraud?³

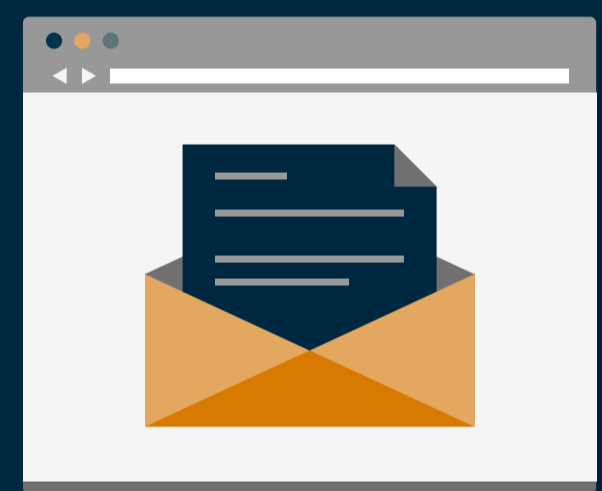


816
million
records

Have Been
Breached Since
2015



Once Small Time Individual Thieves
are Now Often Large
Sophisticated Criminal Groups



Increase in Number
of e-Filings in
Recent Years

How will the IRS Contact Taxpayers?⁴

phone



email



US mail



The IRS will never contact you
by phone or email



Report phone scams to:
tigta.gov or **800.366.4484**



Alert your friends, family and
coworks to these types of scams

¹ <http://www.bankrate.com/financing/taxes/irs-tax-id-theft-hack-victims-reach-334000/>

² <https://www.ftc.gov/system/files/documents/reports/consumer-sentinel-network-data-book-january-december-2015/160229csn-2015databook.pdf>

³ LexisNexis: Privacy Rights Clearinghouse, Chronology of Data Breaches

⁴ <https://www.ftc.gov/system/files/attachments/press-releases/tax-id-theft-tops-ftc-complaints-2014-irs-imposter-complaints-more-2300-percent/0519-irs-imposter-scams-infographic.jpg>