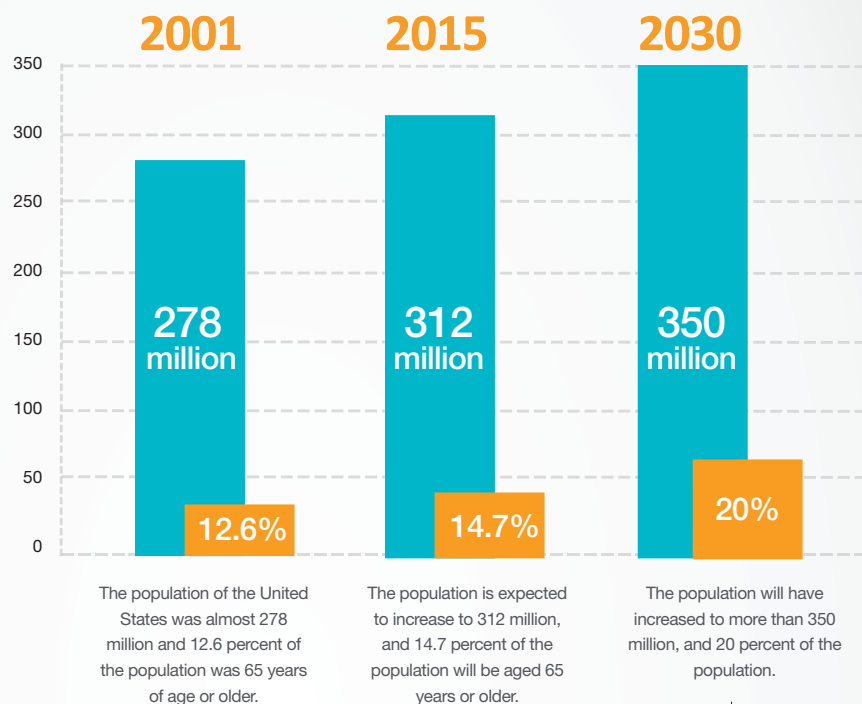




# The Senior Dental Crisis

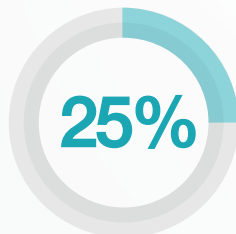
## Senior Population Growth Rate

According to the U.S. Census Department



**1 of every 5 members** of U.S. society will be 65 years of age or older.

## Senior Dental Care



### Did You Know?

One-fourth of U.S. adults over 65 have lost all of their teeth. Routine dental care is not provided under Medicare, and less than 20 percent of older Americans have private dental insurance.

## Current Solution to Senior Dental Pains



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Emergency room visits for dental problems doubled from a reported 1 million cases of adults over 65 in 1999-2000 to 2.3 million cases in 2009-2010.



The report noted that emergency rooms typically treat dental issues with extractions and/or painkillers: "a temporary fix that wastes millions of taxpayer dollars annually."

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