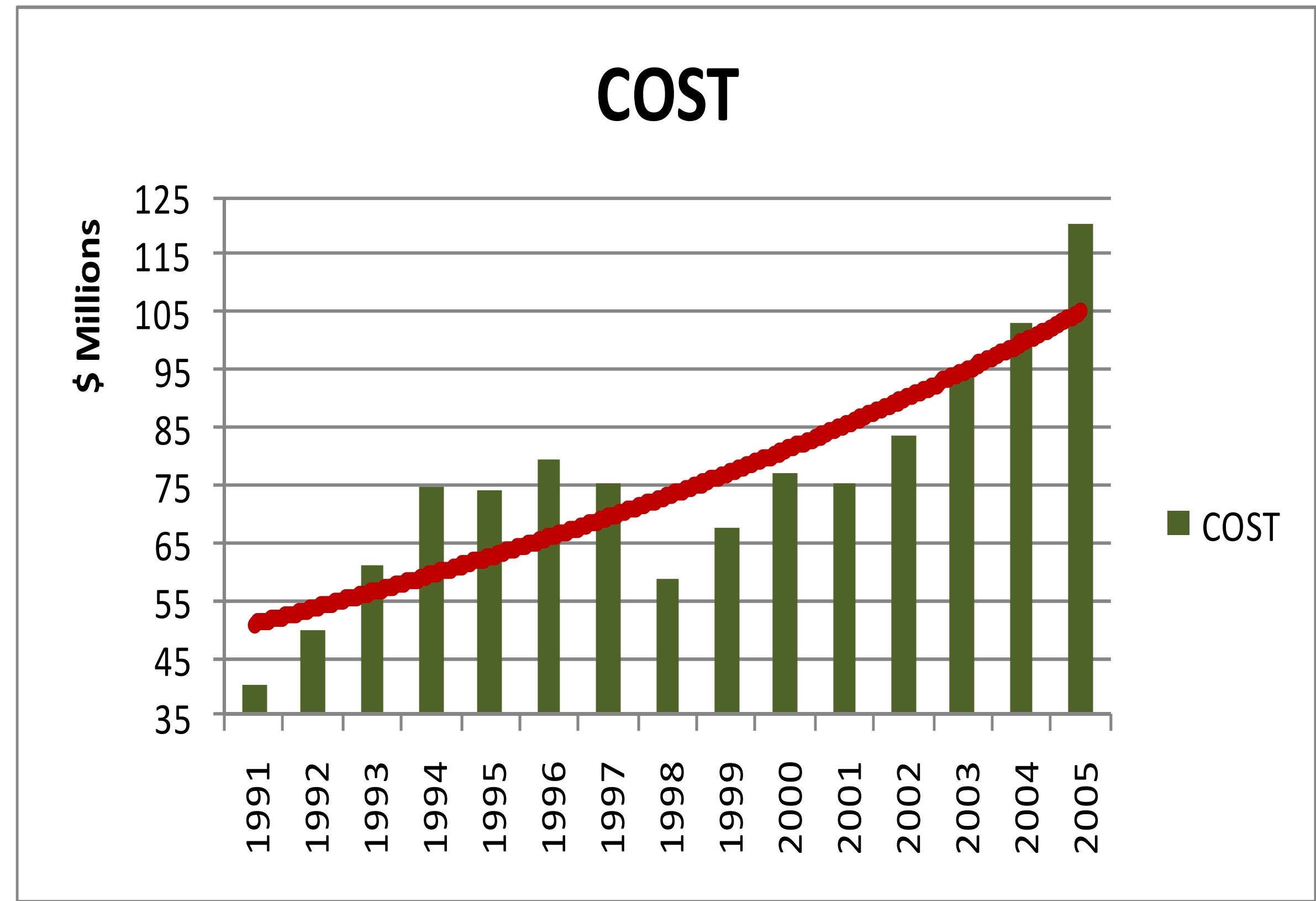


COLD IS DANGEROUS



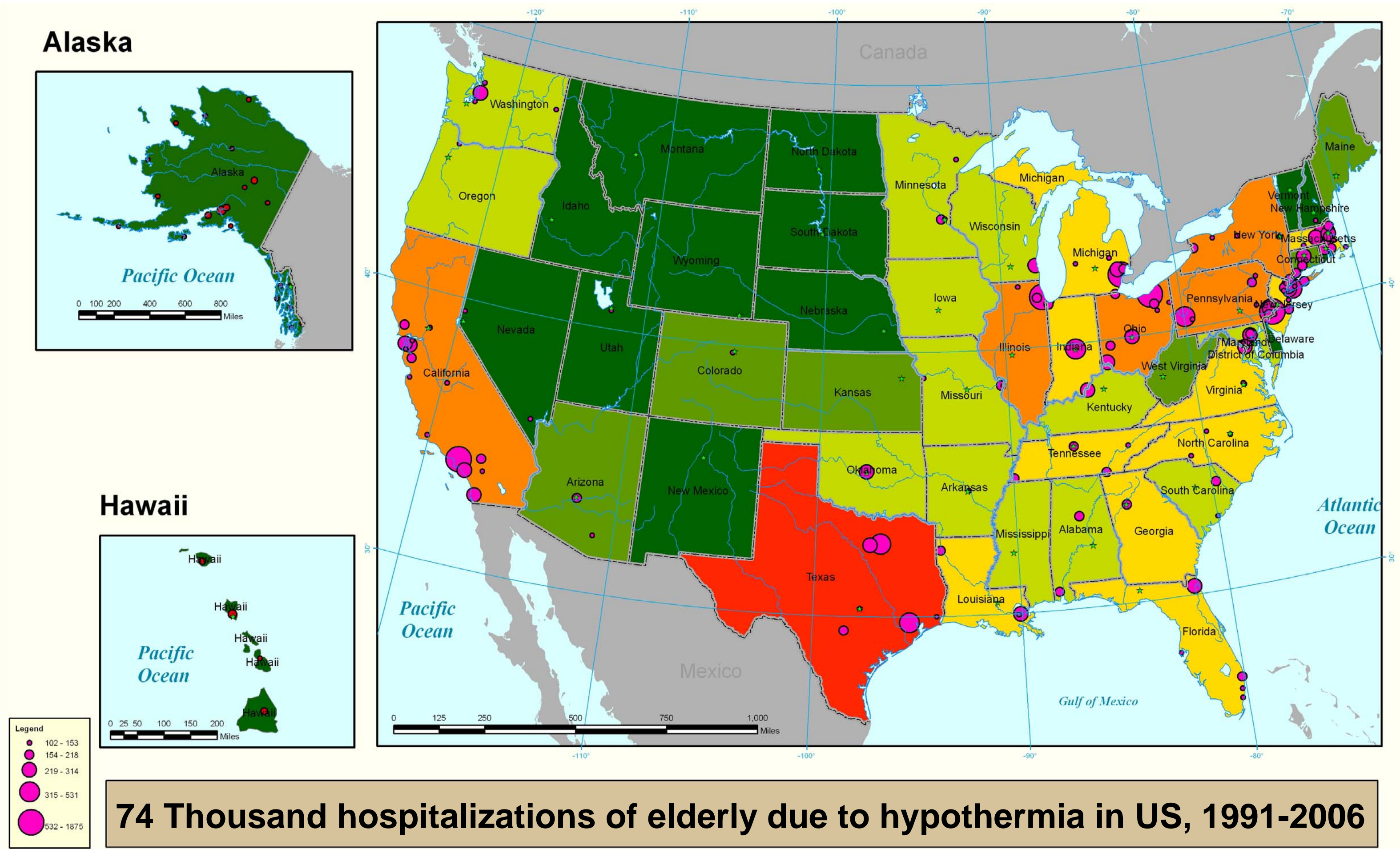
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Annual Cost
of hospitalizations
due to hypothermia and
frostbites for elderly in USA
between 1991 and 2005

\$71,670,188

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