

Vulnerable Seniors

SPOTLIGHT ON RICHMOND

POPULATION

HOUSING & INCOME

HEALTH & WELLNESS

LANGUAGE

MIGRATION

35%
increase
in the
number
of seniors

Seniors Population



Between 2001 - 2011, the seniors population increased from 19,325 to **26,005** seniors.

Unaffordable Housing

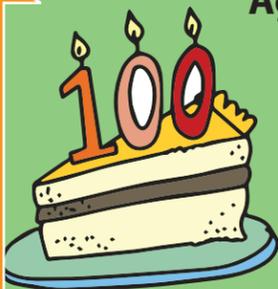


1/4 senior households spend 30% or more of their income on housing. Between 2006 - 2011, this number increased from 3,085 to **3,375** seniors.

9%
increase in
seniors at
risk of losing
their homes

67%
increase in
number of
seniors over
100 years of
age

Aging Seniors



Between 2001 - 2011, the number of people over the age of 100 increased from 15 to **25** seniors.

Housing Waitlists



Between 2009 - 2012, the number of seniors and persons with disabilities (PWD) on BC Housing's social housing waitlist increased from 184 to **300** people.

63%
increase in
seniors &
PWD on
social
housing
wait lists

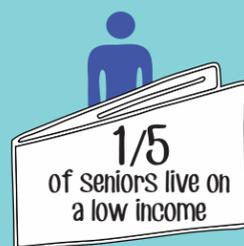
19%
increase in
seniors
who lived
alone

Lone Seniors



Between 2001-2011, the number of seniors living alone increased from 3,960 to **4,700** seniors.

Low Income



In 2011, **4,855** seniors lived on a low income. Seniors living alone had after-tax incomes of approximately \$19,500 or less. Seniors living in couples had after-tax incomes of approximately \$27,250 or less.

Health Concerns



In 2011, the Richmond Health Service Delivery Area found that **25%** of seniors had perceived their health as fair to poor.

Non-English Speaking

1/4
of seniors
cannot speak
English



Between 2001- 2011, the number of seniors who could not speak English increased from 3,925 to **6,205** seniors.

58%
increase in
seniors who
could not
speak
English

Senior Newcomers



Between 2000 - 2010, **1,390** new immigrant seniors settled in Richmond.

First Languages Other Than English

62% of seniors
do not speak
English as
their first language



In 2011, **Cantonese (4,125)** and **Chinese (3,645)** were the most commonly spoken languages among seniors other than English.

For data source information, see data source sheet.

