

Vulnerable Seniors

SPOTLIGHT ON BURNABY

POPULATION

HOUSING & INCOME

HEALTH & WELLNESS

LANGUAGE

MIGRATION

19%
increase
in the
number
of seniors

Seniors Population



Between 2001 - 2011, the seniors population increased from 25,950 to **30,900** seniors.

80%
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 25 to **45** seniors.

6%
increase
in seniors
who lived
alone

Lone Seniors

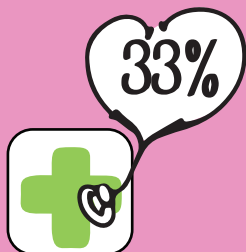


1/4
seniors
live alone



Between 2001-2011, the number of seniors living alone increased from 6,610 to **7,015** seniors.

Health Concerns



In 2011, the Fraser North Health Service Delivery Area found that **33%** of seniors had perceived their health as fair to poor.

Unaffordable Housing



1/4 senior households spend 30% or more of their income on housing. Between 2006 - 2011, this number rose from 4,460 to **5,035** seniors.

13%
increase in
seniors at
risk of losing
their homes

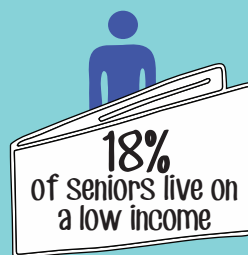
Housing Waitlists



Between 2009 - 2012, the number of seniors and persons with disabilities (PWD) on BC Housing's social housing waitlist increased from 319 to **482** people.

51%
increase in
seniors &
PWD on
social
housing
wait lists

Low Income



In 2011, **5,250** 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.

Non-English Speaking

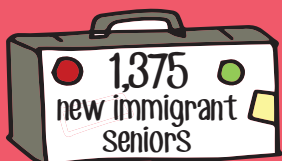
17%
of seniors
cannot speak
English



Between 2001- 2011, the number of seniors who could not speak English increased from 3,135 to **5,140** seniors.

64%
increase in
seniors who
could not
speak
English

Senior Newcomers



Between 2000 - 2010, **1,375** new immigrant seniors settled in Burnaby.

First Languages other than English

60% of seniors
do not speak English as
their first language



In 2011, Chinese (**2,710**) and Cantonese (**2,695**) were the most commonly spoken languages among seniors other than English.

