

Vulnerable Seniors

SPOTLIGHT ON SURREY

POPULATION

HOUSING & INCOME

HEALTH & WELLNESS

LANGUAGE

MIGRATION

Seniors Population



Between 2001 - 2011, the seniors population increased from 37,690 to **56,570** seniors.

50%
increase in the number of seniors

Aging Seniors



Between 2001-2011, the number of people over the age of 100 increased from 20 to **60** seniors.

200%
increase in number of seniors over 100 years of age

Lone Seniors



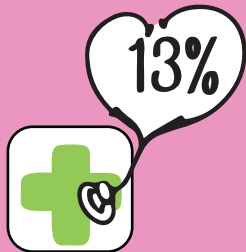
1/5
seniors live alone



Between 2001-2011, the number of seniors living alone increased from 8,050 to **9,680** seniors.

20%
increase in seniors who lived alone

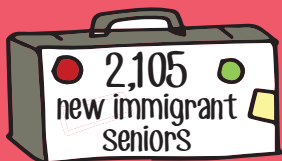
Health Concerns



In 2011, the Fraser South Health Service Delivery Area found that **13%** of seniors had perceived their health as fair to poor.

For data source information, see data source sheet.

Senior Newcomers



Between 2000 - 2010, **2,105** new immigrant seniors settled in Surrey.



Unaffordable Housing



1/4 senior households spend 30% or more of their income on housing. Between 2006-2011, this number increased from 5,835 to 6,660 seniors.

14%
increase in seniors at risk of losing their homes

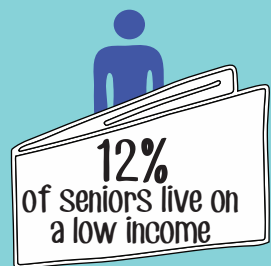
Housing Waitlists



Between 2009 - 2012, the number of seniors and persons with disabilities (PWD) on BC Housing's social housing waitlist increased from 329 to **481** people.

46%
increase in seniors & PWD on social housing wait lists

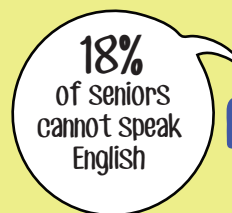
Low Income



In 2011, **6,505** 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.

12%
of seniors live on a low income

Non-English Speaking

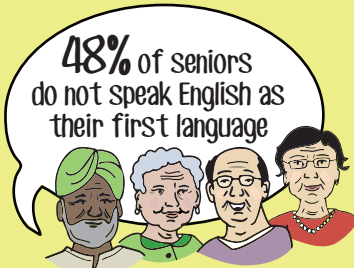


18%
of seniors cannot speak English

Between 2001- 2011, the number of seniors who could not speak English increased from 4,055 to **9,630** seniors.

138%
increase in seniors who could not speak English

First Languages Other Than English



48% of seniors do not speak English as their first language

In 2011, **Punjabi (11,075)** and **German (2,580)** were the most commonly spoken languages among seniors other than English.