FACT SHEET Older Adult Demographics



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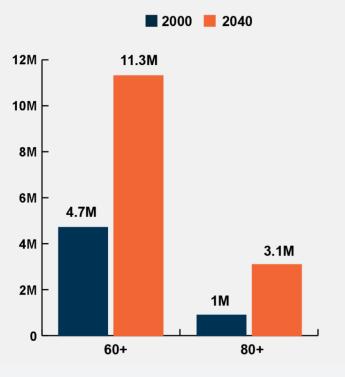
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60+ Population Growth by Region, 2000-2040

More than 9 million Californians are currently over the age of 60, and this number is rapidly growing. By 2030, for the first time in California's history, older adults will outnumber those under 18.

Looking further ahead, by 2040, California's older adult population is projected to reach 11.4 million—about 28% of the total population. Many regions will see their older adult populations more than double.

In 2000, 1-in-7 Californians were older adults. By 2040, 1-in-4 Californians will be over age 60. That means the overall older adult population in California will grow by 142% from 2000-2040. At the same time, the "oldest old" population, Californians aged 80 and older will grow by 238%.



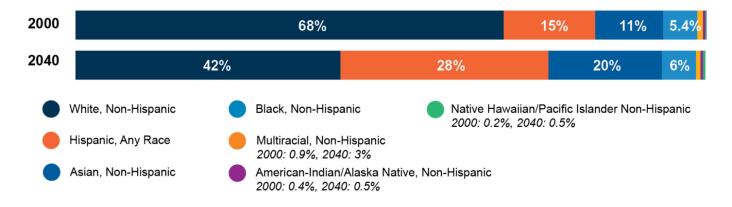
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Older Adult Population by Race/Ethnicity, 2000-2040

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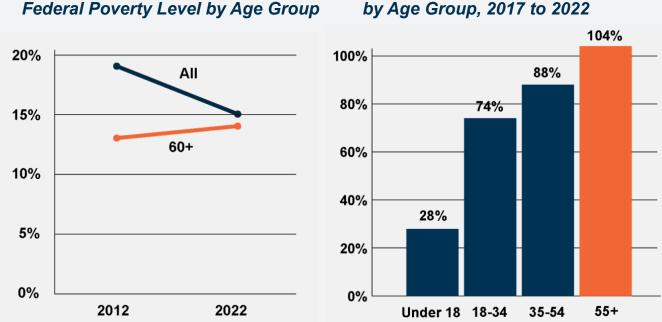
In addition to a marked increase in size, California's older adult population will experience a dramatic demographic shift by 2040. Most notably, the second-largest racial/ethnic group – Hispanic, Any Race – will comprise a larger proportion of both the older adult and overall state populations. By 2040, non-White groups combined will outnumber White older adults, marking a historic change in the racial and ethnic composition of California's aging population.



Poverty and Homelessness

Population Living Below the

While poverty has decreased for the general population since 2012, it has increased slightly for older adults. The number of people experiencing homelessness has increased substantially overall since 2017, with the largest increase among adults over age 55.



Percent Increase in Homelessness by Age Group, 2017 to 2022

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