

QUICK FACTS

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QUICK FACTS ON THE ELDERLY IN NEW YORK CITY

(1) TOTAL & ELDERLY POPULATION, 1990, 2000 AND 2005 CENSUS^a

	1990		2000		2005*	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
a. Total N.Y.C. Population	7,323,564	100.0	8,008,278	100.0	7,956,113	100.0
Pop. 60+	1,278,105	17.5	1,252,206	15.6	1,284,946	16.1
Pop. 65+	953,317	13.0	937,857	11.7	943,257	11.9
b. Total N.Y.S. Population	17,990,955	100.0	18,976,457	100.0	18,655,275	100.0
Pop. 60+	3,188,832	17.7	3,204,331	16.9	3,233,790	17.3
Pop. 65+	2,363,722	13.1	2,448,352	12.9	2,370,873	12.7
c. Total U.S. Population	248,709,873	100.0	281,421,906	100.0	288,378,137	100.0
Pop. 60+	41,857,998	16.8	45,797,200	16.3	47,759,967	16.6
Pop. 65+	31,241,831	12.6	34,991,753	12.4	34,760,527	12.1
d. N.Y.C. as Percent of N.Y.S. 60+		40.1		39.1		39.7
e. N.Y.C. as Percent of N.Y.S. 65+		40.3		38.3		39.8
f. N.Y.C. as Percent of U.S. 60+		3.1		2.7		2.7
g. N.Y.C. as Percent of U.S. 65+		3.1		2.7		2.7
h. Borough Distribution of Population 60+						
New York City	1,278,105	100.0	1,252,206	100.0	1,284,946	100.0
Bronx	187,066	14.6	180,321	14.4	175,478	13.7
Brooklyn	382,307	29.9	378,172	30.2	389,014	30.3
Manhattan	264,789	20.7	250,463	20.0	266,646	20.7
Queens	385,772	30.2	374,562	29.9	381,035	29.6
Staten Island	58,171	4.6	68,688	5.5	72,773	5.7

a. The following data are taken from the 1990, 2000 and 2005 Census.

* Data are limited to the household population and exclude the population living in institutions, college dormitories, and other group quarters.

Note: Information in the document prepared by the Department for the Aging Research Unit is the most recent available as of

Nov. 2006.

(2) SELECTED DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF N.Y.C.

a. Age Distribution of Population 60+

	2000		2005		% Change 2000 - 2005
	No.	%	No.	%	
New York City	1,252,206	100.0	1,284,946	100.0	2.6
60 - 64	314,349	25.1	341,689	26.6	8.7
65 - 69	259,167	20.7	269,020	20.9	3.8
70 - 74	235,627	18.8	210,868	16.4	- 10.5
75 - 79	193,221	15.4	197,346	15.4	2.1
80 - 84	128,139	10.2	144,313	11.2	12.6
85+	121,703	9.7	121,710	9.5	-----

b. Age and Sex Distribution, 2000 & 2005

Age	Total		2000 Male		Female		Total		2005 Male		Female	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
60+	1,252,206	100.0	499,891	100.0	752,315	100.0	1,284,946	100.0	518,163	100.0	766,783	100.0
60 - 64	314,349	25.1	139,938	28.0	174,411	23.2	341,689	26.6	149,911	28.9	191,778	25.0
65 - 74	494,794	39.5	208,073	41.6	286,721	38.1	479,888	37.3	201,484	38.9	278,404	36.3
75 - 84	321,360	25.7	117,285	23.5	204,075	27.1	341,659	26.6	129,281	25.0	212,378	27.7
85+	121,703	9.7	34,595	6.9	87,108	11.6	121,710	9.5	37,487	7.2	84,223	11.0

c. Race and Ethnic Distribution of Population 65+, 2000 and 2005

	2000		2005		% Change 2000 - 2005
	No.	%	No.	%	
Total	937,857	100.0	943,257	100.0	
White (non-Hispanic)	533,982	56.9	488,146	51.8	- 8.6
Black/African American (non-Hispanic)	185,088	19.7	203,967	21.6	10.2
Hispanic origin	138,840	14.8	169,759	18.0	22.3
Asian/Pacific Islander (non-Hispanic)	59,056	6.2	80,299	8.5	36.0
American Indian & Alaska Native (non-Hispanic)	1,343	0.1	3,733	0.4	178.0

d. Persons 65+ Living Alone, 2000 and 2005

	2000		2005	
	No.	%	No.	%
Total	305,400	32.0 ^b	329,984	35.0 ^b
Male	78,279	21.7 ^c	90,636	24.6 ^c
Female	227,121	39.3 ^d	239,348	41.6 ^d

b. % of all persons 65+ living alone

c. % of all men 65+ living alone

d. % of all women 65+ living alone

n.a. - not available

e. Size of Household, 1990, 2000, and 2005

	1990		2000		2005		% Change 2000 - 2005
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Total Householders 65+^e	627,906	100.0	600,818	100.0	642,467	100.0	6.9
One-person	319,491	50.9	299,920	49.9	329,984	51.4	10.0
Two-or-more persons	308,415	49.1	300,898	50.1	312,483	48.6	3.8

f. Living Arrangements of Persons 65+, 1990, 2000 and 2005

	1990		2000*		2005		% Change 2000 - 2005
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
Total Persons 65+	953,317	100.0	937,857	100.0	943,257	100.0	0.6
In family households	563,427	59.1	564,162	60.0	584,938	62.0	4.2
Householder ^e	294,585	30.9	288,169	30.7	296,340	31.4	2.8
Spouse of householder	162,440	17.0	154,641	16.5	161,082	17.1	4.2
Other relatives	98,090	10.3	113,281	4.9	120,664	12.8	6.5
Nonrelatives	8,312	0.9	8,071	0.8	6,752	0.7	-16.3
In nonfamily households	343,772	36.1	331,550	35.3	358,419	38.0	8.1
Householder ^e	333,321	35.0	320,391	34.1	346,127	36.7	8.0
Living alone	319,491	33.5	305,400	32.5	329,984	35.0	8.0
Sharing	13,830	1.5	14,991	1.6	16,143	1.7	7.7
Nonrelatives	10,451	1.1	11,159	1.2	12,292	1.3	10.2
In group quarters	46,118	4.8	43,658	4.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Institutionalized	42,877	4.5	37,444	4.0	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Noninstitutionalized	3,241	0.3	6,214	0.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

* Data in the above table is based on 10 percent sample, therefore, the total householders 65+ figure may be slightly different from the figure shown in (e) above which is 100 percent of the census data.

g. Disability (With Mobility and Self-Care Limitations) Status of Population 65+ by Borough: 1990, 2000, and 2005

	1990**		2000		2005		% Change 2000 - 2005
	No.	% ^f	No.	% ^f	No.	% ^f	
New York City	227,672	25.0	353,335	39.2	345,191	36.6	- 2.3
Bronx	37,018	8.6	53,581	42.9	47,466	37.4	- 4.4
Brooklyn	75,339	27.2	122,983	44.8	127,034	44.0	3.3
Manhattan	45,650	23.8	63,994	35.3	61,613	31.5	- 3.7
Queens	61,535	22.4	96,431	35.3	94,624	33.6	- 1.9
Staten Island	8,130	20.9	16,346	33.6	14,454	28.5	- 11.6

e. The term "householder" refers to the person in whose name the dwelling unit is owned or rented.

f. % of the 65+ population for whom the disability status was determined.

n.a. = not available

** 1990 data is not comparable with 2000 and 2005 data because of the major differences between the disability questions asked in the censuses.

h. Persons with Disabilities Age 65 and Over by Sex, 2005

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	Both Sexes	%	Male	%	Female	%
With a disability	405,334	100.0	137,735	100.0	267,599	100.0
Percent of total population 65+ with disability		43.0		37.4		46.5
With Specified disability						
Sensory	154,938	38.2	58,457	42.4	96,481	36.1
Physical	321,131	79.2	104,844	76.1	219,287	81.9
Mental	141,405	34.9	47,202	34.3	94,203	35.2
Self-care	133,850	33.0	41,889	30.4	91,961	34.4
Mobility	211,341	52.1	63,369	46.0	147,972	55.3

(3) CHARACTERISTICS OF HOUSING OCCUPIED BY HOUSEHOLDS HEADED BY PERSONS 65+

a. Owner - Renter Occupancy and Control Status, 2005

	No. of 65+	%
Total^g	578,490	100.0
Owner	268,083	46.3
Renter	310,407	53.7

b. Renter Control Status, 2005

	No. of 65+	%
1. Total	310,407	100.0
Controlled	27,704	8.9
Stabilized	141,830	45.7
Public Housing	43,334	14.0
State/City assisted (chiefly Mitchell-Lam)	14,030	4.5
Other regulated & Unregulated ^h	83,509	26.9
2. Section 202 (Age 62+)	16,524*	100.0

c. Monthly Cost of Rental Housing, 1999 and 2005

	1999			2005
	Household Type			
	All	Two or More	One Person	
Median gross rent paid by households 65+ ⁱ	\$565/mo.	\$619/mo.	\$535/mo.	N.A.
Median percentage of income spent for gross rent	44.4	33.8	53.5	N.A.

g. This figure is based on a sample generated by the 1999 Housing Survey and is therefore different from the total derived from the 2000 Census.

h. In Rem, Article 4 and Loft Board Units.

i. Gross rent includes the cost of utilities.

* This figure represents the number of households in all Section 202 buildings in the city.

N.A. - Not available

d. Utilization of Housing Entitlements

Owner households receiving Real Property Tax Exemption (Aug. 2006) ^j	<u>32,389</u>
Households receiving Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption (SCRIE) Aug. 2006	<u>44,643</u>

(4) SELECTED INCOME CHARACTERISTICS**a. 2003 & 2005 Poverty Guidelines for Persons Aged 65+**

	2003		2005	
	Single	Couple	Single	Couple
Poverty level	\$8,990	\$12,120	\$9,570	\$12,830
125% of Poverty level	\$11,240	\$15,150	\$11,960	\$16,040

b. Poverty Rates in Populations 65+, 1990, 2000 and 2005

	1990 %	2000 %	% Change	
			in Rate (1990-2000)	in Rate (2000-2005)
New York City	16.5	17.8	+7.9	20.3
United States	12.8	9.9	-22.7	9.9

c (i). 65+ Below Poverty Level by Borough, 1990, 2000^k 2005

	1990		2000		% Change in Rate (1990-2000)	2005 ^l		% Change in Rate (2000-2005)
	Pop. 65+ in Poverty No.	Poverty Rate %	Pop. 65+ in Poverty No.	Poverty Rate %		Pop. 65+ in Poverty No.	Poverty Rate %	
	New York City	150,322	16.5	160,277		17.8	+7.9	
Bronx	26,576	20.5	26,660	21.3	+3.9	33,521	32.5	+52.6
Brooklyn	51,856	18.8	59,068	21.5	+14.4	73,049	25.4	+18.1
Manhattan	36,982	19.3	34,290	18.9	- 2.1	42,504	21.7	+14.8
Queens	31,294	11.4	35,439	13.0	+14.0	33,918	12.2	-6.2
Staten Island	3,614	9.3	4,820	9.9	+6.4	6,546	12.5	+26.3

c (ii). 65+ Population at 150% and 200% Poverty Level by Borough, 2000

	Pop. 65+ in Poverty at 150% level		Pop. 65+ in Poverty at 200% level	
	% of 65+ pop	% of 65+ pop	% of 65+ pop	% of 65+ pop
New York City	280,440	29.9	369,054	39.4
Bronx	44,544	33.3	58,407	43.6
Brooklyn	104,048	36.8	131,635	46.6
Manhattan	57,221	30.6	73,175	39.2
Queens	65,052	23.0	91,769	32.4
Staten Island	9,575	18.6	14,068	27.4

Note: Presently, poverty data at 150% and 200% is only available for the year 2000.

j. Includes all active cases.

k. Poverty figures were based upon 1999 poverty thresholds of \$7,990 (single 65+) and \$10,075 (couple 65+).

l. Poverty figures were based upon 2004 poverty threshold of \$9,060 (single 65+) and \$11,430 (couple 65+).

d. Persons 65+ Below Poverty by Age, Race/Ethnicity and Sex, 2000 & 2005

	2000		2005	
	No.	Poverty Rate %	No.	Poverty Rate %
Age				
65 - 74	85,136	17.3	91,714	19.1
75 - 84	75,141	18.3	99,939	21.6
65+	160,277	17.8	191,653	20.3
Race/Ethnicity				
White	60,458	11.8	69,589	14.3
Black	43,384	23.3	44,667	21.9
Hispanic ^m	40,380	30.0	58,331	34.4
Asian	14,071	24.4	19,998	24.9
Sex				
Male	48,199	13.9	60,731	16.5
Female	112,078	20.2	130,922	22.8

e. Median Household Income, 2000 & 2005

	2000 Annual Income	2005 Annual Income
Householder 65+ living alone	\$13,617	\$14,050
Householders 65+	\$23,388	\$23,415
Householders 65 - 74 years	\$27,271	n.a.
Householders 75 and over	\$19,196	n.a.
Race/Ethnicity		
White householders 65+	\$26,983	\$28,573
Black householders 65+	\$19,534	\$21,030
Hispanic householders 65+	\$14,229	\$13,983
Asian householders 65+	\$18,617	\$20,495
Sex		
Male householders 65+ living alone	\$16,821	\$16,492
Female householders 65+ living alone	\$12,513	\$13,124

f. Persons 65+ Receiving Social Security, Dec. 2005

	Total	Male	Female
New York City	736,975	295,255	441,720
Bronx	104,600	40,360	64,240
Brooklyn	199,090	79,095	119,995
Manhattan	168,150	68,425	99,725
Queens	217,880	88,165	129,715
Staten Island	47,255	19,210	28,045

m. Hispanic can be of any race.

N.A. - Not Available

g. Average U.S. Social Security Benefits, Jan. 2005

	Monthly	Annual
Aged Couple	\$1,574	\$18,888
Single Retired Worker	\$955	\$11,460
Aged Widow/Widower	\$920	\$11,040

h. Supplemental Security Recipients , NYC (Dec. 2005)

Total	400,461
Aged	105,661
Disabled and Blind	294,800

i. Supplemental Security Income Eligibility Monthly Benefits in New York City (2005)

Persons 65+ living alone	\$690
Aged couple in own home	\$1,008

(5) LIFE EXPECTANCY

a. New York City, 2003 (number of years)

	Male	Female
At birth	75.1	80.7
At age 65	17.4	20.5
At age 85	6.2	7.1

b. United States, 2003 (number of years)

At birth	74.8	80.1
At age 65	16.8	19.8
At age 85	6.0	7.2

(6) LEADING CAUSES OF ILLNESS AND DEATHS IN THE ELDERLY POPULATION

a. Five Leading Causes of Death Among Adults 65 and Older, NYC, 2005

	Rank	Number	Rate per 100,000
Heart Diseases	1	19,132	2,028.3
Malignant Neoplasms	2	8,714	923.8
Influenza & Pneumonia	3	2,554	270.8
Diabetes Mellitus	4	1,329	140.9
Chronic Lower Respiratory	5	1,269	134.5

b. Five Leading Cause of Hospitalization Among Adults 65 and Older, NYC, 2000

	Number	Rate per 100,000
Other than Ischemic Heart Diseases	31,653	3,375
Ischemic Heart Diseases	24,375	2,599
Injuries and Poisoning	20,145	2,148
Diabetes	17,144	1,828
Pneumonia & Influenza	7,334	782

(7) MEDICARE/MEDICAID FACTS**a. Persons 65+ enrolled in Medicare, July 2005
Part A and/or Part B**

	Number (Aged & Disabled)	%
New York City	870,891	100.0
Bronx	123,776	14.2
Brooklyn	253,587	29.1
Manhattan	194,649	22.4
Queens	248,447	28.5
Staten Island	50,432	5.8

b. Number of Medicaid Eligibles in NYC, 2006**Number of Persons**

60+	405,874
65+	304,245

**Number of Medicaid Eligibles
(2000 Census)**

60+	146,546
150% of Medicaid Income	288,044
200% of Medicaid Income	384,980

(8) RESIDENTIAL CARE**a. Number of Residential Health Care Facility Beds, 2006**

Existing Certified Beds	45,330
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b. Number of domiciliary Care Facility Beds, 2006

In Adult Homes	8,100
In Enriched Housing	1,259

(9) DEPARTMENT FOR THE AGING COMMUNITY PROGRAMS FOR OLDER PEOPLE, 2006**a. Number of Programs the Department Funds Under Title IIIB
of the Older Americans Act, Community Services for the Elderly
Act, and the Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Act, and
with City Tax Levy Funds Providing Supportive Social Servicesⁿ**

 784
**b. Number of Senior Centers Funded Under Title IIIC-1 and Title IIIC-2
of the Older Americans Act and Community Services for the
Elderly Act, and with City Tax Levy Funds Providing Nutrition
Services^o**

 325

n. Supportive social services include case management, information and referral, case assistance, in-home services, counseling, legal services, advocacy, transportation and other social services.

In addition, all senior centers reported in **8b** deliver some social services, in particular, case assistance.

o. This figure includes main sites and satellite programs.

c. Average Number of Meals Served Daily by Department for the Aging Nutrition Programs, FY 2006

Congregate meals (daily average)	33,337
Home-delivered meals (daily average)	14,803
Sixth meal (Saturday)	11,936
Seventh meals (Sunday)	8,733

d. Department for the Aging Employment/Stipend Programs (Citywide)

Title V, Older Americans Act (authorized number of positions), FY 2006	<u>538</u>
Foster Grandparents - The Corporation for National and Community Service (authorized number of positions), FY 2006	<u>380</u>

e. Number of Elderly (65+) Enrolled in Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC), July 2006

97,425

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