Will A Profile of Bermuda's Senior Citizens

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Age Distribution

Bermuda's civilian non-institutional population aged 65 years and older increased by 29% from 6,722 in 2000 to 8,683 in 2010. The distribution of the elderly population from 2000 to 2010 decreased in the age group 65-74 and increased for persons 75 years and older (see Table 1). The age group that recorded the largest growth, with an increase of 57%, was those 80 to 84 years of age. This age cohort was followed by those 90 years and older and 85-89 years, which rose by 54% and 46%, respectively.

Table 1

	Number		Percentag Change
Age Group	2010	2000	2000-2010
Total	8,683	6,722	+29%
65-69	2,807	2,332	+20%
70-74	2,163	1,845	+17%
75-79	1,768	1,275	+39%
80-84	1,120	713	+57%
85-89	584	401	+46%
90+	241	156	+54%
	Percentage D	istribution	
Total	100	100	
65-69	32	35	
70-74	25	27	
75-79	20	19	
80-84	13	11	
85-89	7	6	
90+	3	2	

Economic Activity

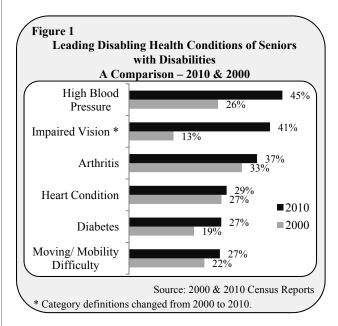
As was the case in 2000, two-thirds (67%) of Bermuda's elderly population were retired in 2010, while 27% were employed (up 3 percentage points from 2000). More than half of employed seniors (59%) worked 35 hours or more per week. Nearly half (48%) of seniors 65-69 years old were working.

Occupation

Twenty-six percent of seniors that worked were employed as service workers and shop and market sales workers (compared with 34% in 2000). There was a 10 percentage point increase in seniors working as senior officials and managers or professionals, increasing from 20% in 2000 to 30% in 2010. The median annual income from main job for seniors who worked at least a 35-hour week was \$46,351, or \$3,863 per month.

Disabling Health Conditions

In 2010, there were 1,213 persons 65 years and older suffering from a long-term health condition that affected some aspect of their daily lives. This was 173 more seniors than the 1,040 reported in 2000. The six leading disabling health conditions that affected the elderly population were high blood pressure, impaired vision, arthritis, heart conditions, diabetes and moving/ mobility difficulties (see Figure 1), unchanged from 2000.



Health Insurance Coverage

In 2010, 96% of Bermuda's elderly population had health insurance coverage, of which 62% had major medical coverage and 23% had FutureCare.

Pension Income

Ninety-two percent of seniors were pension recipients. The median annual pension income was \$15,397, or \$1,283 per month, in 2010.