

Older people

Population 2010

	Total		Males		Females	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
65-74	32,866	53.8	15,710	58.8	17,156	49.9
75-84	20,152	33.0	8,372	31.5	11,780	34.2
85 and over	8,087	13.2	2,598	9.7	5,489	15.9
Total aged 65 and over	61,105	100.0	26,680	100.0	34,425	100.0

Source: ONS Mid Year Estimate Crown Copyright 2011. Rows and/or columns may not sum due to rounding.

2008-based population projections

	Mid-2010	Mid-2017	% Change from Mid-2022	Mid-2022	% Change from Mid-2010
Total					
Ages 65 - 74	32,900	40,500	23	40,700	24
Ages 75+	28,300	32,400	14	38,800	37
Ages 65 and over	61,200	72,900	19	79,500	30
All Ages	409,800	431,700	5	448,300	9
Males					
Ages 65 - 74	15,700	19,400	24	19,500	24
Ages 75+	11,000	13,700	25	17,100	55
Ages 65 and over	26,700	33,100	24	36,600	37
All Ages	201,500	213,900	6	223,000	11
Females					
Ages 65 - 74	17,200	21,100	23	21,300	24
Ages 75+	17,300	18,600	8	21,800	26
Ages 65 and over	34,500	39,700	15	43,100	25
All Ages	208,400	217,800	5	225,300	8

The number of people aged 65 and over in Kirklees is expected to increase by 18,300 (30%) between 2010 and 2022. The number of men aged 65 and over is expected to increase at a faster rate than women with 37% more men in 2022 compared to 25% more women. The overall population increase over the period is expected to be 38,500 (9%), with all age groups (apart from 15 to 24), experiencing some growth. In 2007-2009, women in Kirklees who were aged 65 could expect to live to the age of 84.5, while men could expect to live to the age of 82.

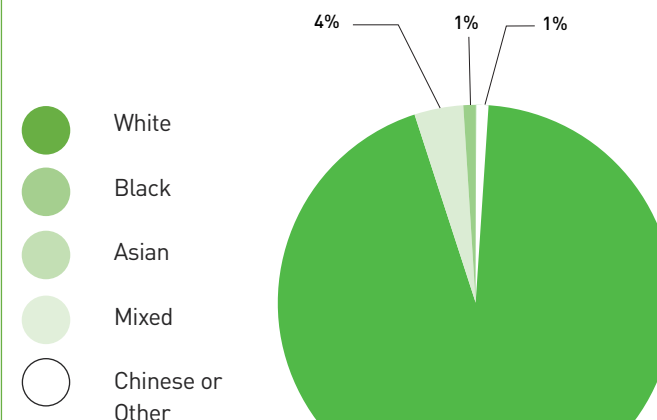
Source: ONS revised 2008 based population projections, ONS Mid Year Estimate Crown Copyright 2010.

Population 2009 aged 60/65* and over by ethnic group

	Kirklees		England
	No.	%	%
White	68,000	94	96
Mixed	100	0	0
Asian or Asian British	3,000	4	2
Black or Black British	1,000	1	1
Chinese or Other	100	1	0

Source: ONS Mid-Year Estimates Crown Copyright 2011.

*Females aged 60 and over, males 65 and over. Columns may not sum due to rounding



Car or van availability (2001 census people aged 65 and over)

	Kirklees		England & Wales
	No.	%	%
No car or van in household	25,024	44.0	37.5
One car or van in household	23,746	41.8	45.2
Two or more cars or vans in household	5,397	9.5	12.8
Living in a Communal Establishment	2,677	4.7	4.5
Total aged 65 and over	56,844	100.0	100.0

Car availability decreases with age, only 18% of people aged 85 and over have a car or van available in the household.

Family type (2001 census people aged 65 and over)

	Kirklees		England & Wales
	No.	%	%
Lone parent family	2,190	3.9	4.4
Married couple family	28,315	49.8	50.6
Cohabiting couple family	827	1.5	1.6
Not living in a family but with others in the household	2,008	3.5	4.6
Living alone	20,827	36.6	34.3
Living in a Communal Establishment	2,677	4.7	4.5

By the age of 85 the majority of people (54%) are living alone, and a further 21% are living in a communal establishment. More men aged 85 and over are likely to be in a 'couple' family (37%) than women (7%).

General-health, limiting long-term illness (2001 census people aged 65 and over)

	Kirklees		England & Wales
	No.	%	%
Good Health	17,406	30.6	34.8
Fairly Good Health	23,984	42.2	41.5
Not Good Health	15,454	27.2	23.7
Has a limiting long-term illness	30,921	54.4	51.5
Does not have a limiting long-term illness	25,923	45.6	48.5

Health declines with age and only 18% of people aged 85 and over said that their health was good. 80% of people aged 85 and over feel that they have a limiting long-term illness.

Provision of unpaid care (2001 census people aged 65 and over)

	Kirklees		England & Wales
	No.	%	%
1 to 19 hours	3,325	5.8	6.0
20 to 49 hours	712	1.3	1.2
50 or more hours	2,418	4.3	4.1
Does not provide care	50,389	88.6	88.6

The amount of unpaid care provided decreases with age; 8% of people aged 75 and over provide unpaid care (3% people aged 85 and over). A slightly higher proportion of people aged 65 (11.4%) and over provide unpaid care compared to those aged under 65 (10.1%).

Attendance Allowance February 2011

Attendance Allowance, introduced in December 1971, is a benefit for people aged 65 or over only who need help with personal care because of illness or disability. For example, a person may qualify for Attendance Allowance if they have difficulty with washing, dressing or similar tasks. The benefit is not income related, is not taxable and is not based on National Insurance Contributions. In general, the benefit has two payment levels. Those requiring help both during the day and night are eligible for a higher rate of (£73.60 per week), otherwise recipients are provided with the lower level of benefit (£49.30 per week). In Kirklees there were 10,060 people claiming the allowance (16.5% of all aged 65 and over, Great Britain 17.6%).

Source: Department for Work and Pensions (DWP).

Pension Credit February 2011

Pension Credit is an entitlement which guarantees everyone aged 60 and over a minimum income. Pension Credit has two parts: the guarantee credit and the savings credit (only paid to people aged 65 and over). The savings credit provides extra money to people who have income from occupational pensions or savings, giving the recipient a higher income than the guarantee credit. In Kirklees there were 18,585 claimants of Pension Credit of which 4,365 were in couples which accounts for 26.8% of all aged 60 and over (Great Britain 24.1%).

Source: Department for Work and Pensions (DWP).