

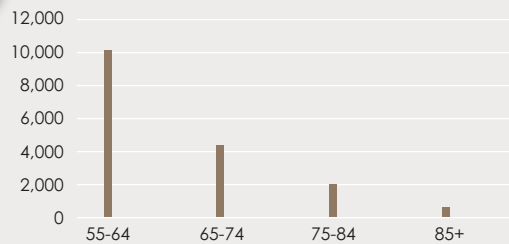
# Older Persons

## City of Melton

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### 55+ Years Old 2011



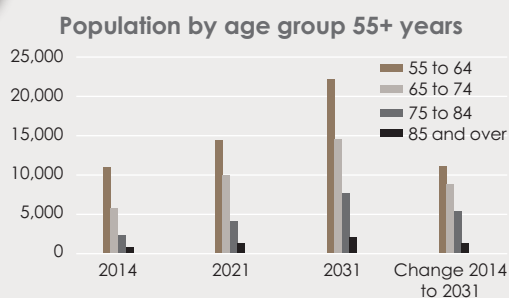
- > While City of Melton has a younger population age structure than Greater Melbourne, the 55+ years old age group is increasing rapidly
- > In 2011, there were 17,578 residents aged 55 years or older, an increase of more than 6,000 people since 2006
- > By 2021, the 55+ years old will increase to 29,728 (59% increase since 2011)
- > By 2031, the 55+ years old will increase to 46,547 (147% increase since 2011)

### Change Between 2006-2011

Age Group	55+ years old			Change 2006-2011
	2011 Number	% of overall population	% Greater Melbourne population	
55 - 64	10,173	9%	11%	3,584
65 - 74	4,463	4%	7%	1,904
75 - 84	2,036	2%	4%	568
85+	651	0.5%	2%	194
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,323</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>6,250</b>

- > Between 2006 and 2011, the 55+ year olds have increased in:
  - Melton Township by 2,861 (21%)
  - Melton East by 3,037 (11%)
- > In 2011, the following suburbs had the largest concentration of 55+ year olds:
  - Melton West (2,766)
  - Caroline Springs (2,460)
  - Melton South (2,435)

### The Aging Population



- > In 2014, there were 21,023 (16.6%) residents aged 55+ years or older, an increase of 3,445 older people since 2011
- > In 2031, there will be 46,547 (19%) or an additional 26,649 of the 55+ years old
- > The 55-64 years old will double in numbers, from 11,433 in 2014 to 22,100 in 2031 (an increase of 10,667 people)
- > Older adults aged 85+ years will increase by almost three fold, from 788 in 2014 to 2,128 in 2031

### Distribution of 55+ Year Old

Age Group	Top three suburbs of 55+ year olds 2014 - 2031		
	2014	2021	2031
55 - 64	Melton West Caroline Springs Hillside	Caroline Springs Melton West Hillside	Caroline Springs Toolern Melton West
65 - 74	Melton Melton West Caroline Springs	Melton West Caroline Springs Melton	Toolern Melton West Caroline Springs
75 - 84	Melton South (existing) Melton Melton West	Melton South (existing) Melton Melton West	Melton South (existing) Melton West Melton
85+	Melton South (existing) Burnside Melton	Melton South (existing) Melton Kurunjang	Melton South (existing) Melton Plumpton Growth Area

- > Between 2014 and 2031, the highest concentration of 55+ years old will be in the following areas:
  - 2014 – Melton West, Melton South, Melton
  - 2021 – Melton West, Melton South, Caroline Springs
  - 2031 – Melton West, Melton South, Caroline Springs



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### Cultural Diversity

#### Top three non-English speaking countries of birth for:

**55 - 64  
Years old**

Malta  
Italy  
Macedonia

**65 - 74  
Years old**

Malta  
Italy  
Croatia

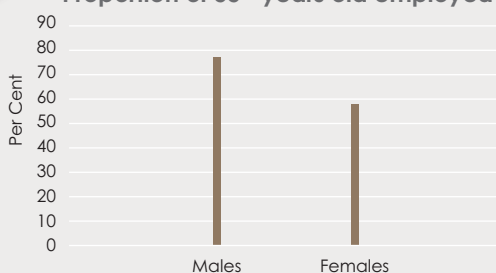
**75+  
Years old**

Italy  
Croatia  
Germany

- > 6,549 of the 55+ year olds were born overseas and have English as a second language
- > The top ten birthplaces are:
  - England
  - Malta
  - Italy
  - Scotland
  - Germany
  - Croatia
  - India
  - Greece
  - former Yugoslavia
  - Philippines

### Education, Income and Employment

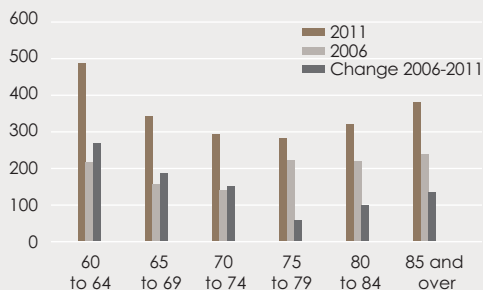
#### Proportion of 55+ years old employed



- > Older people are less likely to have participated in formal education:
  - 36% of residents aged 55 years or older left school before completing year 11
  - 14% of residents are currently in the workforce
  - 77% of males and 58% of females are working
  - The median gross weekly income is \$377
  - 1,885 residents have volunteered in the past twelve months

### Disability

#### Need for assistance with core activities



- > In the City of Melton, 4,488 people or 4% of the population report needing help in their day-to-day lives due to disability (Greater Melbourne, 4.5%)
- > The incidence of disability increases with age. A total of 2,497 residents aged 55+ have a disability
- > 47.1% of those persons that report needing help in their day-to-day lives due to disability are aged 60 years and older
- > There were 2,452 carers aged 55+ who provide unpaid care for a person with a disability, accounting for 28% of all carers

### References

- > ABS Census of Population and Housing 2011
- > id. City of Melton Community Profile
- > id. City of Melton Population Forecasts
- > Population Diversity in Victoria by Local Government Areas 2011

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