

TASMANIA'S AGEING POPULATION – STATISTICS

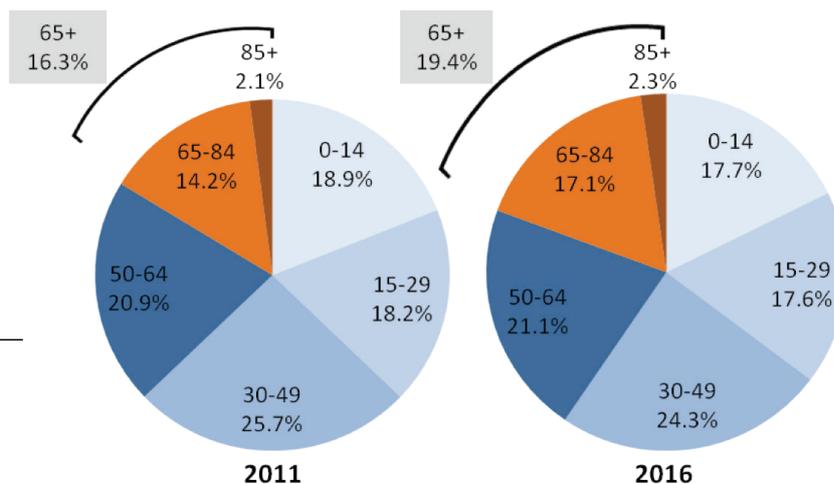
Tasmania has the oldest population in Australia with 19.4% of the population aged 65 years or more and a median age of 42 years¹. The proportion of the population over 65 years and median age has increased in every local government area (LGA) since 2011².

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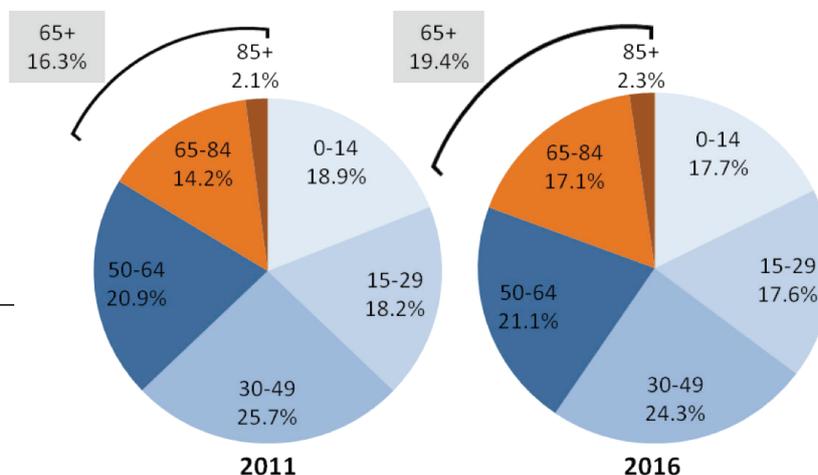
Tasmania's population is ageing faster than the Australian average.

The proportion of Tasmania's population aged over 65 years increased by 3.4% from 2011 to 2016, compared to a 1.7% increase for the whole of Australia (14% in 2011 to 15.7% in 2016).

AGE STRUCTURE OF TASMANIA'S POPULATION



AGE STRUCTURE OF AUSTRALIA'S POPULATION



¹Australian Bureau of Statistics: 2016 Census QuickStats Tasmania

²Australian Bureau of Statistics: 2011 Census QuickStats Tasmania



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Median age

Glamorgan Spring Bay has the highest median age in Tasmania at 56 years, while Brighton has the lowest at 34 years.

Central Highlands had the greatest increase in median age in Tasmania from 2011 to 2016 at 5 years. The median age in Glenorchy was the only LGA that was unchanged.

Proportion of the population aged over 65 years

Glamorgan Spring Bay has the highest proportion of the population aged over 65 years in Tasmania at 32.0%. Brighton has the lowest proportion at 12.0%.

Latrobe had the greatest increase in the proportion of the population aged over 65 years in Tasmania from 2011 to 2016 at 7.8%. Glenorchy had the smallest increase at 0.7%.

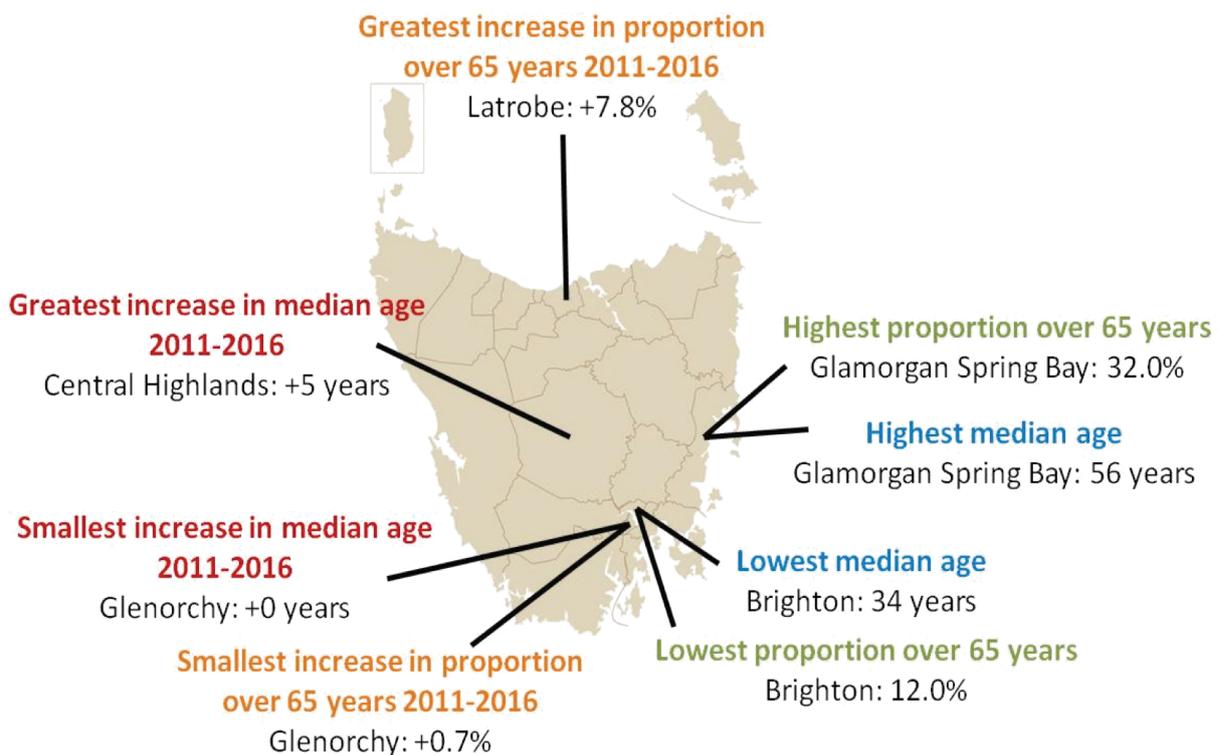


TABLE 1 PERSONS AND PROPORTIONS OF POPULATION AGED OVER 65 YEARS IN EACH TASMANIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA, TASMANIA AND AUSTRALIA FROM 2011 TO 2016

LGA	2011 Persons over 65	2016 Persons over 65	Increase 2011-2016 Persons over 65	2011 % over 65	2016 % over 65	Increase 2011-2016 % over 65
Glamorgan Spring Bay	1,090	1,404	314	26%	32.0%	6.0%
Tasman	524	692	168	22%	29.1%	7.1%
Break O'Day	1,368	1,747	379	22%	28.5%	6.5%
Flinders Island	174	238	64	22%	26.6%	4.6%
Latrobe	1,810	2,544	734	16%	23.8%	7.8%
Central Highlands	395	513	118	17%	23.8%	6.8%
Dorset	1,306	1,569	263	19%	23.7%	4.7%
King Island	292	353	61	19%	22.4%	3.4%
Central Coast	3,958	4,760	802	19%	22.3%	3.3%
Waratah Wynyard	2,496	3,017	521	18%	22.2%	4.2%
George Town	1,077	1,465	388	16%	21.7%	5.7%
Northern Midlands	2,118	2,735	617	17%	21.3%	4.3%
Devonport	4,568	5,264	696	19%	21.3%	2.3%
Meander Valley	3,201	4,032	831	17%	20.9%	3.9%
West Tamar	3,755	4,749	994	17%	20.9%	3.9%
Clarence	8,834	11,010	2,176	17%	20.1%	3.1%
Huon Valley	2,357	3,239	882	16%	20.0%	4.0%
Kentish	915	1,216	301	15%	19.8%	4.8%
Derwent Valley	1,400	1,878	478	14%	18.8%	4.8%
Kingborough	5,140	6,629	1,489	15%	18.5%	3.5%
Burnie	3,080	3,472	392	16%	18.4%	2.4%
Launceston	10,137	11,737	1,600	16%	18.0%	2.0%
Sorell	1,905	2,561	656	14%	17.8%	3.8%
Glenorchy	7,496	8,200	704	17%	17.7%	0.7%
Southern Midlands	861	1,039	178	14%	17.2%	3.2%
West Coast	637	709	72	14%	17.1%	3.1%
Hobart	7,188	8,575	1,387	15%	17.0%	2.0%
Circular Head	1,073	1,314	241	13%	16.6%	3.6%
Brighton	1,437	1,983	546	9%	12.0%	3.0%
Tasmania	80,708	98,753	18,045	16%	19.4%	3.4%
Australia	3,012,289	3,676,763	664,474	14%	15.7%	1.7%

TABLE 2 MEDIAN AGE OF TASMANIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREAS, TASMANIA AND AUSTRALIA IN 2011 AND 2016

LGA	2011 Median age (years)	2016 Median age (years)	Increase 2011–2016 Median age (years)
Glamorgan Spring Bay	53	56	3
Tasman	51	55	4
Break O'Day	50	54	4
Flinders Island	52	53	1
Latrobe	44	47	3
Central Highlands	45	50	5
Dorset	44	48	4
King Island	46	47	1
Central Coast	43	46	3
Waratah Wynyard	43	46	3
George Town	42	46	4
Northern Midlands	43	46	3
Devonport	40	43	3
Meander Valley	42	45	3
West Tamar	42	45	3
Clarence	41	43	2
Huon Valley	42	45	3
Kentish	43	47	4
Derwent Valley	41	43	2
Kingborough	40	42	2
Burnie	38	41	3
Launceston	38	39	1
Sorell	40	42	2
Glenorchy	39	39	0
Southern Midlands	42	44	2
West Coast	39	44	5
Hobart	38	39	1
Circular Head	38	41	3
Brighton	33	34	1
Tasmania	40	42	2
Australia	37	38	1



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FIGURE 1 THE PROPORTION OF POPULATION AGED OVER 65 YEARS FOR EACH TASMANIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA IN 2011 AND 2016

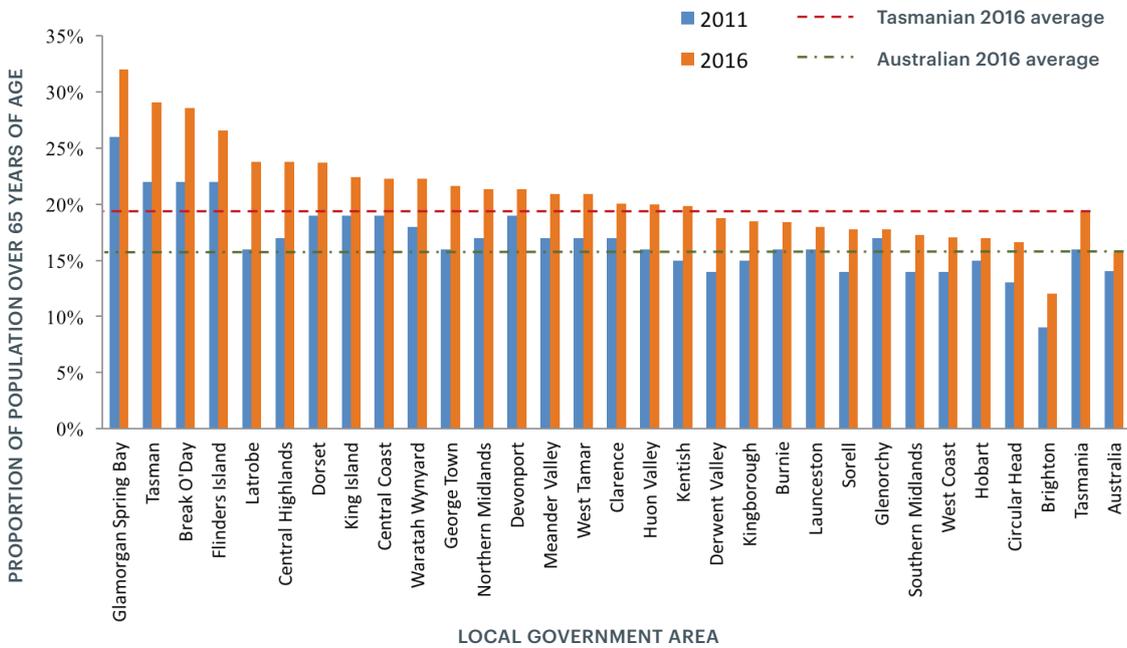


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