Ageing populations: health, care & support, housing

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Ageing of the population

Causes:
• baby-boomer bulge
• markedly reduced fertility
• increased longevity, especially at older ages.

Important:
the end of the baby-boomer bulge does not mean a return to the current population mix.
NZ’s population mix 1951, 2061 (projected)
Enormous regional variation in ageing

Projected median age by region, 2031

Office of the Auditor General 2013
Health provision is a looming issue...

Share of health services used by people aged 65+ (Ministry of Health 2016)
Formal and informal ‘care’ provision

The Healthy Ageing strategy recognises that adequate provision of support and care services is critical to older people ageing well for longer in their communities.

BUT:
Care-workers themselves are an ageing population
Care-work is increasingly physically demanding as the criteria for residential care are tightened
Care-work is low paid or unpaid, gendered, and considered ‘low skill’.

Newsflash!!!
Escalating costs of health-care and NZS

Using MoH estimates of future demographic-based funding for DHBs, plus the Treasury’s projections from 2016, and making no allowance for cost increases for provision,

• the combined 65+ costs for health, residential and in-home care, other services and support ($6,343 billion) and New Zealand Superannuation (NZS) ($12,912 billion),

• in 2017 will exceed $19 billion, and

• by 2020 will approach $22 billion (NZS $14,916 billion + Health $6,719 billion)

The Treasury, 2016, Budget Economic and Fiscal Update
Housing issues:

• Own home
• In-home care (ageing in place)
• Pensioner housing (national/local govt, charitable
• Abbeyfields
• Private rental.....

• Retirement village
• Resthome
• Private hospital
Proportion of older people in households with housing cost outgoings-to-income ratio greater than 30%, 1988 to 2012
Breakdown of tenure for people aged 65 and over – 2013

PRIVATE SECTOR with ACCOMMODATION SUPPLEMENT
23,000 - 3.7%

PRIVATE SECTOR without ACCOMMODATION SUPPLEMENT
39,000 - 6.1%

PRIVATE SECTOR RENTALS
SOCIAL HOUSING
24,000 - 3.8%

61,000 - 9.8%

LIVING IN OWNER-OCCUPIED DWELLINGS
508,000 - 81.2%

LIVING WITH OWNER-OCPPUPIER
42,000 - 6.7%

OWNER-OCPPUPIERS
466,000 - 74.5%

NON-OWNERS
160,000 - 25.5%

RENTING
85,000 - 13.6%

LIVING IN INSTITUTIONS
33,000 - 5.2%

ALL PEOPLE OVER 65 YEARS OLD
626,000

A Johnson, 2015, *Homeless Baby Boomers*
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We've got to either:
(A) Let more people into N.Z.
or (B) Have more babies.

Tick (A).