

Transport poverty

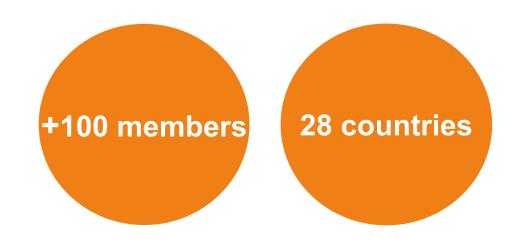
Older people's perspective

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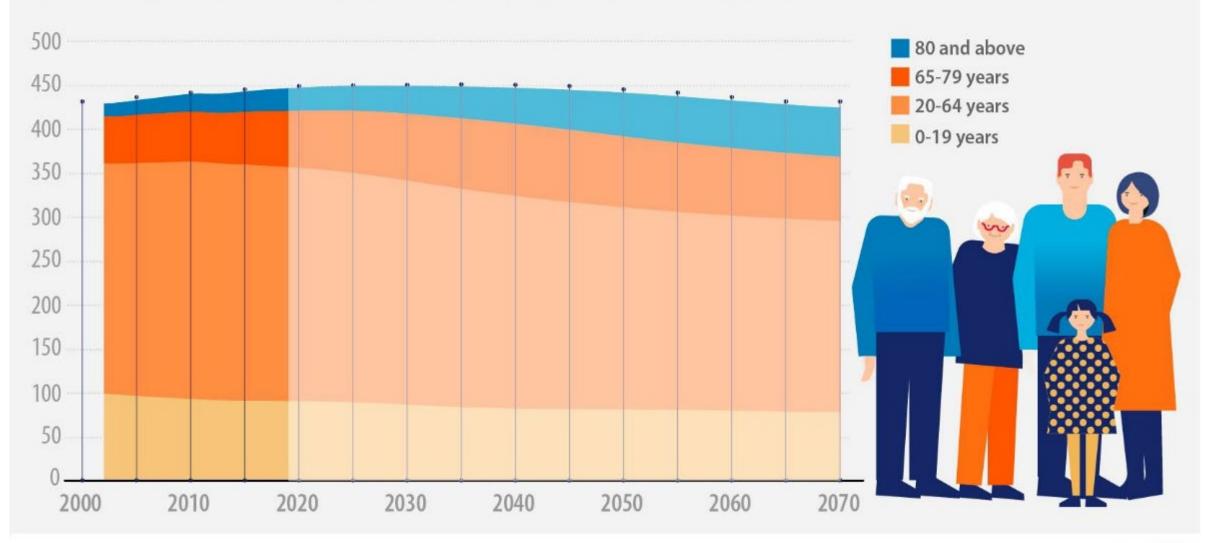
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Population by major age groups

(in millions, EU-27, observed (2001-2019) and projected (2020-2070) data)







Why transport matters?

Table 4.1. Reasons given by adults aged 60 years or older for not accessing health-care services, by countries' income category

Reason for not accessing health-care	Country income category (% of respondents)			
services	High-income	Upper-middle- income	Lower-middle- income	Low-income
Could not afford the visit	15.7	30.9ª	60.9ª	60.2ª
No transport	12.1	19.3ª	20.7ª	29.1ª
Could not afford transport	8.7	12.9ª	28.1ª	33.0^{a}
Health-care provider's equipment inadequate	11.2	10.5	14.1ª	16.7ª
Health-care provider's skills inadequate	19.0	8.3	7.8	13.1ª
Previously treated badly	23.8	8.7	7.9	8.3
Did not know where to go	12.2	9.7	9.8	7.8
Was not sick enough	21.5	31.8	27.3	25.8
Tried but was denied health care	20.0	16.2	8.3	8.5ª
Other	43.8	22.5ª	23.5ª	13.9

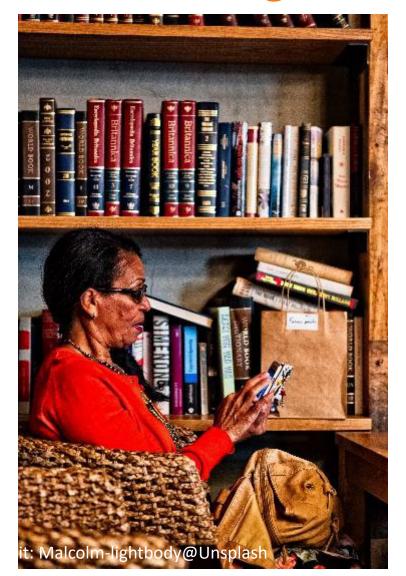
^a Results are significantly different (P < 0.05) from those reported by adults younger than 60 years. *Source*: (1).

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- More than one third of people aged 75 years or more participated in cultural/ sporting events
- Women aged between 55 and 64 years were the most likely providers of informal homecare services
- More than one fifth of people aged 65-74 years participated in formal voluntary activities

Challenges









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