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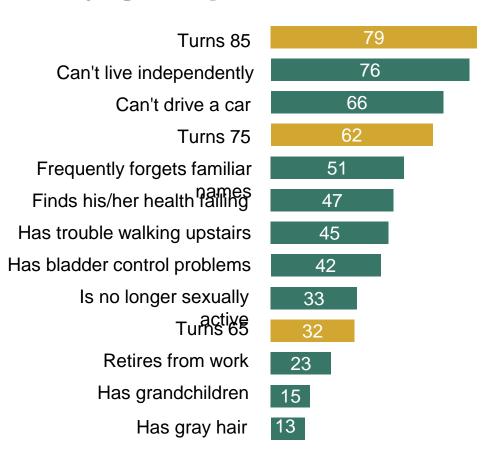
Families, Intergenerational Transfers and Well-being of Older Adults

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The markers of old age

% saying that a person is old when he or she ...



Source: Pew Research Center survey conducted Feb. 23-March 23, 2009, n=2,969 adults ages 18 and older

Work status of older adults

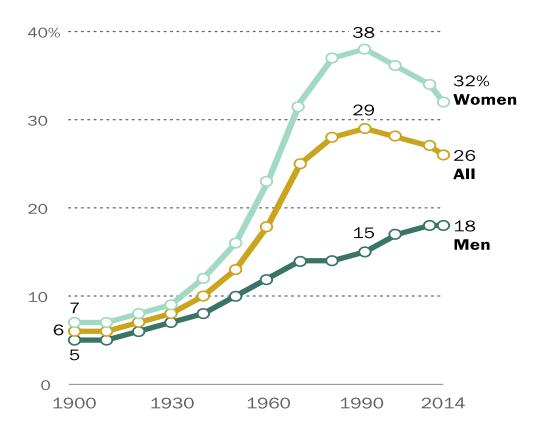
% among adults ages 65 and older

	%
Work full-time	6
Work part-time	11
Look for work	7
Do not work	76

Source: Pew Research Center survey conducted Feb 23-March 23, 2009, n=1,328 U.S. adults ages 65 and older

Fewer older adults living alone

% of adults ages 65 and older living alone...

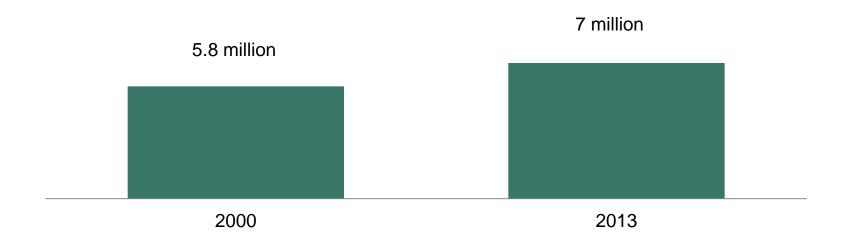


Note: Data labels are for 1900, 1990 and 2014. Older adults living alone reside in a household. The share living alone is based on the total population ages 65 and older.

Source: Pew Research Center analysis of 1900-2000 decennial censuses and 2010 and 2014 American Community Surveys (IPUMS)

More grandparents living with grandchildren

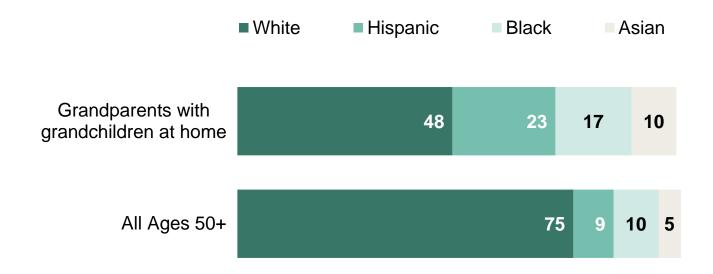
Number of grandparents who live in the same household as their grandchildren



Source: Pew Research Center analysis of 2000 Decennial Census and the 2013 American Community Survey

Grandparents living with grandchildren are more diverse than older adults in general

% by race/ethnicity among ages 50 and older

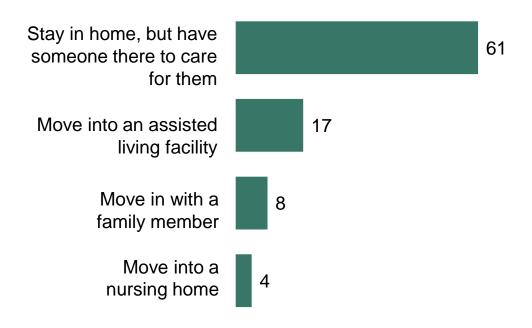


Note: Whites, blacks and Asians are non-Hispanic. Hispanics are of any race.

Source: Pew Research Center analysis of 2013 American Community Survey (IPUMS).

Most older adults want to age in place

% of adults ages 65 and older who say they would___if they could no longer live on their own

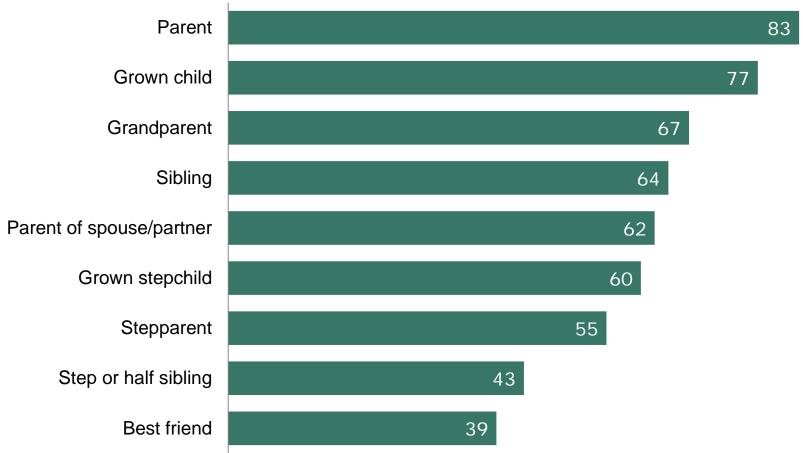


Note: Based on U.S. adults ages 65 and older who live in their own home and do not have someone providing care at home (n=363). "Don't know" and other volunteered responses not shown.

Source: Pew Research Center survey conducted Oct. 27-Nov. 24, 2014.

Providing Help for family members

% saying that they feel 'very obligated' to provide assistance if their ... had a serious problem and need either financial help or caregiving



Source: Pew Research Center survey conducted Oct. 1-21, 2010, n=2,691 adults ages 18 and older

Transfers between adult children and parents

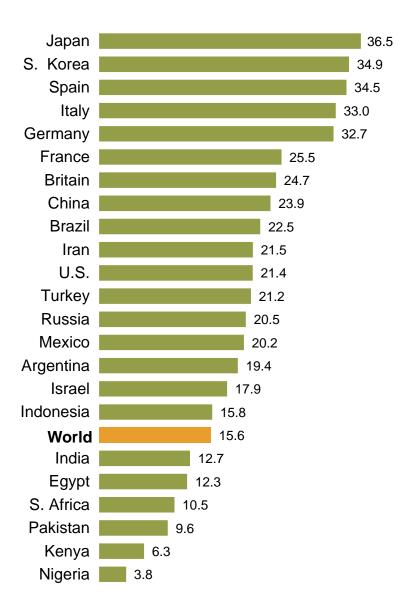
% of ... who have helped their in the past year

% of adult children who have helped their parents with:		
Errands/appointments	46	
Housework/home repairs	46	
Bills, filing out forms, paperwork	25	
Financial assistance	21	
% of parents who have helped their adult children with:		
Financial assistance	51	
Childcare	36	
Errands, housework, home repairs	32	

Source: Pew Research Center survey conducted Feb. 23 -March 23, 2009, n=2,969 adults ages 18 and older

Population aging around the world

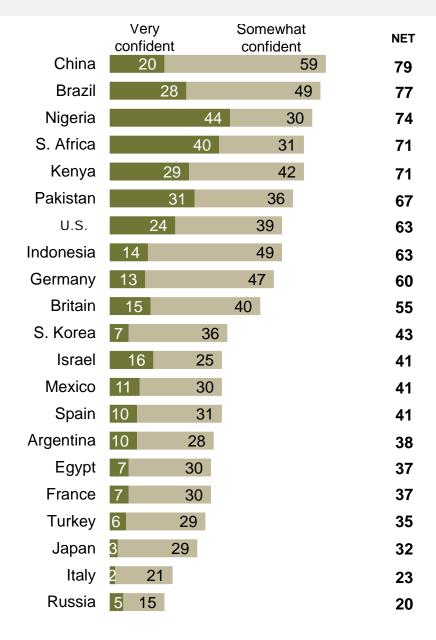
% of people ages 65 and older by country, estimates for 2050



Source: United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, *World Population Prospects: 2012 Revision*, June 2013, http://esa.un.org/unpd/wpp/index.htm

Confidence in standard of living in old age

% saying that they are "very" or "somewhat" confident they will have an adequate standard of living in old age, by country

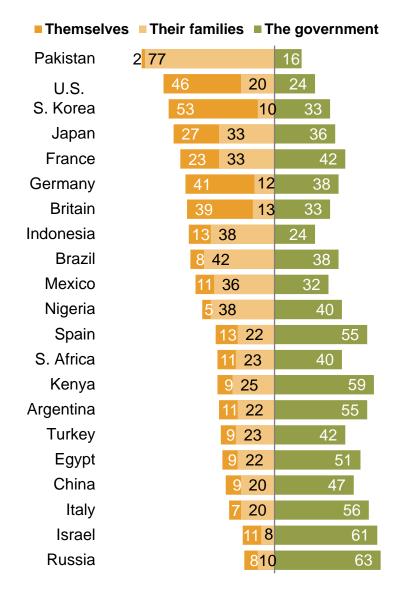


Note: Question asked, "Thinking about yourself, how confident are you that you will have an adequate standard of living in your old age..." Responses of "Not too confident," "Not at all confident" and "Don't know/Refused" are not shown.

Source: Pew Research Center 2013 Global Attitudes survey.

Who should bear the greatest responsibility for economic well-being of the elderly?

% saying___should bear the greatest responsibility for people's economic wellbeing in their old age, by country



Note: Volunteered responses of "All equally," "Other" and "Don't know/Refused" are not shown.

Source: Pew Research Center 2013 Global Attitudes survey

Future directions

- Life expectancy is up, what does it means for retirement age?
- Who should provide care to the elderly?
- The well-being gap among older adults by socioeconomic and demographic factors