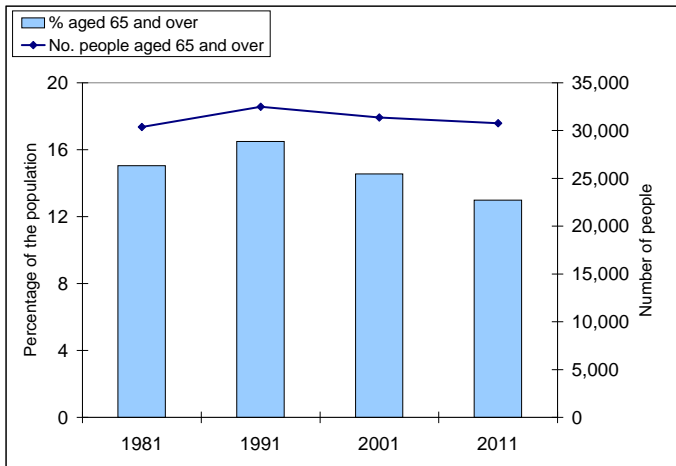


Trends in Ageing across Southampton 1981 to 2011

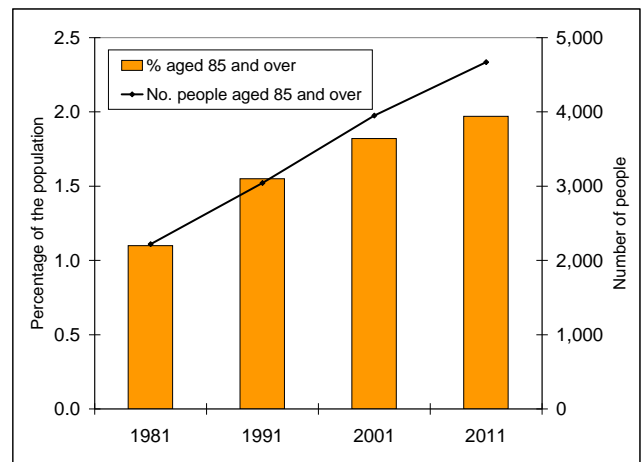
Population aged 65 and over



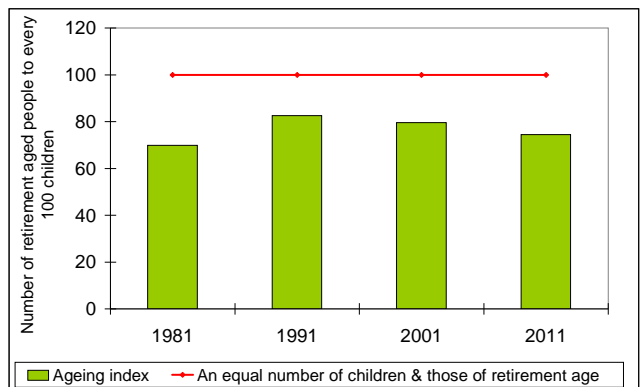
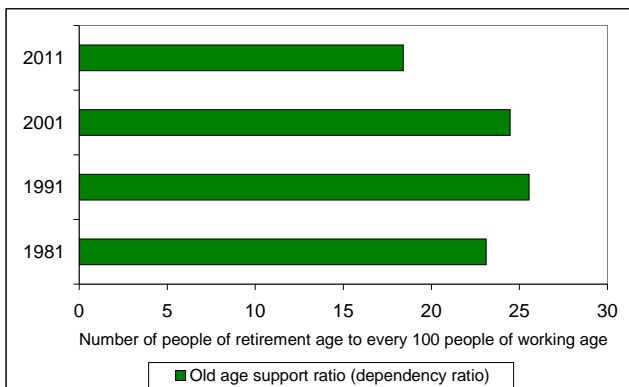
- The number of older people increased slightly between 1981 and 1991. Over the entire period the number of older people has remained fairly constant
- The number of people aged 65 and over grew by 990 between 1981 - 2001
- The number has decreased by 590 between 2001 and 2011
- Over the entire period the number of people age 65 and over has fluctuated and is now 405 higher than in 1981
- The proportion of the population aged 65 and over has decreased from 15% to 13% between 1981 and 2011

Population aged 85 and over

- The number of very old people has also increased as each decade passed, as has the proportion of the population occupying the very oldest age groups
- The number of people aged 85 and over grew by 1,730 between 1981 - 2001
- The number has grown by a further 720 between 2001 and 2011
- Over the entire period the number of people age 85 and over has doubled
- The proportion of the population aged 85 and over has also increased and currently stands at 2% of the population



Old Age Support Ratio and Ageing Index



- The old age support ratio and ageing index both show the change in the age structure of the population over time to a more youthful one
- The old age support ratio shows the decreasing number of retirement aged people in relation to the number of working age
- The ageing index reports that after an initial increase, the number of retirement aged people in relation to children declined. By 2011 there are 74 retirement aged people for every 100 children - down from a high of 83 in 1991

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	1981	1991	2001	2011
Number of people aged 65 and over	30,370	32,490	31,360	30,770
% of people aged 65 and over	15.0	16.5	14.6	13.0
Number of people aged 85 and over	2,220	3,040	3,950	4,670
% of people aged 85 and over	1.1	1.6	1.8	2.0
Old age support ratio	23	26	24	18
Ageing index	70	83	80	74

Notes and Sources

Notes: The Old Age Support Ratio is the ratio of the working age population (Males and Females aged 16-64) to those of retirement age (Males and Females aged 65 and over). The Ageing index is the ratio of children (those age under 16) to the retirement aged population. Source: Census data from the Office for National Statistics and NOMIS.