

Appendix A: Tasmania Department of Treasury and Finance 2024 Population Projections for Tasmania by LGA area

Total Population				60-69 years of age			70-79 years of age			80 or older years of age			65 or older			85 or older			
		2023	2038	2053	2023	2038	2053	2023	2038	2053	2023	2038	2053	2023	2038	2053	2023	2038	2053
Break O'Day	%				22.2	18.7	20.0	16.2	18.8	17.4	6.3	14.3	17.7	33.3	43.4	45.3	2.6	7.1	10.1
	No.	7075	7543	7795	1570	1412	1561	1144	1421	1354	449	1082	1380	2355	3271	3533	183	539	786
Brighton	%				10.3	10.0	11.5	6.9	8.0	8.2	2.3	5.0	6.6	14.1	18.0	20.1	0.9	2.3	3.4
	No.	19998	24011	27068	2060	2409	3119	1388	1915	2214	466	1200	1775	2826	4329	5453	178	559	910
Burnie	%				12.3	11.6	12.9	8.6	10.2	9.8	4.6	7.8	10.0	19.0	24.0	25.9	2.1	4.0	5.6
	No.	20463	20373	19843	2514	2361	2554	1769	2085	1943	943	1586	1976	3881	4893	5134	437	815	1115
Central Coast	%				15.5	13.5	14.7	12.0	14.4	13.0	6.3	12.1	15.4	25.6	33.7	35.7	2.9	6.4	9.2
	No.	23331	23800	23694	3615	3224	3472	2797	3425	3083	1480	2881	3642	5979	8017	8448	678	1528	2169
Central Highlands	%				19.6	16.9	18.9	13.4	14.3	13.3	3.4	9.4	11.4	26.1	32.8	34.1	1.3	4.7	6.3
	No.	2595	2638	2618	509	447	495	349	378	349	89	248	297	678	864	894	33	123	165
Circular Head	%				14.3	12.1	13.9	9.3	11.9	10.9	4.2	8.8	11.4	20.2	27.1	29.0	2.2	4.3	6.6
	No.	8352	8072	7644	1198	973	1063	774	961	830	351	713	870	1688	2185	2217	181	347	504
Clarence	%				12.2	11.0	12.9	9.7	10.9	10.7	5.7	10.0	12.4	21.2	26.5	29.2	2.8	5.4	7.3
	No.	63663	70940	75881	7783	7788	9783	6190	7729	8104	3622	7080	9372	13511	18813	22190	1790	3811	5557
Derwent Valley	%				13.7	12.6	13.8	8.9	10.8	10.3	4.1	7.3	9.5	19.2	24.5	26.4	1.9	3.6	5.2
	No.	11341	12222	12739	1551	1537	1764	1007	1318	1312	468	892	1206	2182	3000	3364	217	436	659
Devonport	%				12.8	12.0	13.4	11.0	11.8	11.4	6.0	10.3	12.7	23.1	28.4	30.7	2.8	5.6	7.4
	No.	26977	27429	27229	3451	3299	3638	2966	3248	3115	1619	2813	3453	6222	7792	8353	756	1530	2006
Dorset	%				16.6	14.3	16.1	12.0	14.7	13.2	6.6	11.9	14.8	26.5	34.3	36.1	3.5	6.2	8.7
	No.	7001	6686	6258	1164	956	1005	839	982	828	460	793	925	1859	2292	2256	244	413	547
Flinders Island	%				20.7	17.0	17.8	19.8	19.9	18.6	7.2	20.0	23.7	38.4	49.1	51.7	2.3	10.4	14.4
	No.	933	924	896	193	157	159	184	184	166	67	185	212	358	454	463	21	96	129
George Town	%				16.7	14.3	16.3	12.6	15.9	14.6	5.7	13.0	16.8	26.7	36.8	39.5	2.5	6.6	9.9
	No.	7330	7443	7379	1226	1065	1200	927	1185	1074	415	971	1241	1954	2737	2917	186	488	732
Glamorgan Spring Bay	%				21.1	18.0	19.8	17.7	17.5	16.5	7.2	13.7	16.1	35.5	41.0	42.7	3.2	7.1	9.1
	No.	5237	5812	6199	1105	1047	1230	925	1017	1020	380	798	999	1857	2386	2644	165	414	567

Glenorchy	%				10.5	10.0	12.1	7.8	8.5	8.5	4.9	6.6	8.0	17.4	20.1	22.2	2.5	3.5	4.5
	No.	50808	53374	54490	5333	5315	6580	3940	4558	4626	2489	3503	4378	8862	10746	12074	1249	1874	2461
Hobart	%				10.8	10.0	11.1	8.4	9.5	9.3	4.7	8.7	10.8	18.4	23.3	25.5	2.4	4.7	6.4
	No.	55964	59128	60651	6041	5893	6756	4699	5626	5650	2656	5168	6564	10280	13797	15446	1355	2767	3883
Huon Valley	%				15.7	14.7	16.3	11.0	12.2	11.8	4.4	8.5	10.7	22.7	28.3	30.4	2.0	4.4	6.0
	No.	19454	22436	24606	3055	3288	4001	2142	2747	2913	853	1912	2629	4413	6346	7488	382	978	1469
Kentish	%				17.2	15.3	16.6	11.6	14.1	12.5	4.3	10.0	13.0	23.6	32.2	33.6	1.7	5.1	7.5
	No.	6831	7376	7701	1173	1127	1281	795	1041	963	293	736	1000	1615	2374	2586	118	377	578
King Island	%				14.8	11.5	13.8	10.2	12.4	10.8	5.6	10.8	13.0	23.4	29.5	30.3	2.2	5.4	7.9
	No.	1648	1574	1473	245	181	204	168	196	159	92	170	192	386	464	447	36	85	116
Kingborough	%				12.4	11.6	12.9	10.1	10.9	10.8	4.9	9.8	12.1	21.1	26.7	29.3	2.2	5.2	7.1
	No.	41179	47300	51728	5099	5503	6696	4160	5156	5606	2032	4630	6280	8681	12619	15160	924	2476	3697
Latrobe	%				15.8	14.1	15.3	13.6	14.6	13.8	6.5	12.9	15.9	28.1	35.1	37.5	3.0	6.8	9.3
	No.	13062	15731	17770	2065	2211	2714	1778	2302	2461	852	2023	2825	3670	5529	6665	394	1071	1657
Launceston	%				11.1	10.7	12.1	8.6	10.0	9.8	5.1	8.1	10.3	18.9	23.6	26.0	2.6	4.3	5.9
	No.	71788	74359	75017	8004	7959	9085	6164	7428	7384	3657	6020	7739	13565	17550	19475	1831	3177	4406
Meander Valley	%				14.5	12.8	13.9	11.5	13.1	12.1	5.9	11.9	14.9	24.3	31.9	33.9	2.7	6.5	9.0
	No.	21449	22556	23048	3112	2897	3203	2475	2965	2782	1265	2683	3440	5220	7193	7802	581	1461	2085
Northern Midlands	%				15.1	13.6	14.8	11.8	12.8	12.0	5.4	10.5	13.0	24.5	30.8	32.3	2.5	5.5	7.5
	No.	14279	15120	15538	2161	2053	2301	1679	1942	1864	773	1594	2021	3500	4651	5022	353	839	1168
Sorell	%				14.5	13.3	15.0	9.8	11.7	11.3	4.1	8.0	10.4	20.7	26.7	29.1	1.9	4.0	5.8
	No.	17635	21465	24416	2549	2853	3672	1730	2521	2757	731	1728	2547	3649	5730	7110	340	864	1425
Southern Midlands	%				15.0	12.5	14.1	9.6	11.0	9.8	3.4	7.7	9.5	19.8	25.1	25.9	1.4	3.8	5.4
	No.	6912	7374	7623	1040	919	1078	662	812	746	235	570	728	1368	1854	1975	96	281	415
Tasman	%				24.0	19.7	21.1	16.7	19.2	17.6	5.8	14.9	18.2	34.4	44.4	46.3	2.1	7.2	10.5
	No.	2686	2886	3001	644	570	634	450	553	529	155	431	545	925	1283	1389	56	208	315
Waratah Wynyard	%				15.5	13.8	15.0	12.3	14.6	13.3	5.9	11.2	14.4	25.8	33.3	35.3	2.7	5.7	8.2
	No.	14767	14873	14639	2290	2056	2199	1822	2166	1952	877	1673	2106	3815	4952	5167	399	848	1200
West Coast	%				16.0	15.0	16.3	10.1	12.0	11.5	3.9	7.8	9.7	21.9	27.7	29.1	1.5	3.6	5.1
	No.	4359	4163	3896	698	624	635	442	501	448	168	323	379	957	1154	1132	66	150	200

West Tamar	%				14.9	13.5	15.0	10.9	12.1	11.5	5.3	9.6	11.8	23.6	29.0	30.7	2.2	5.0	6.8
	No.	26039	28572	30206	3891	3867	4521	2843	3469	3478	1387	2749	3560	6133	8283	9278	574	1442	2061
Tasmania	%				13.1	12.0	13.5	10.0	11.3	10.9	5.1	9.3	11.6	21.4	26.9	29.0	2.4	4.9	6.7
	No.	573156	616180	641045	75340	73992	86602	57208	69832	69708	29326	57155	74282	122386	165559	186083	13821	29996	42983

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Anecdotal data relating to older people leaving regional areas suggests three main reasons:

- 1) To return to where they came from
- 2) To move to be closer to family either to receive care or provide care
- 3) To be closer to services

Current population projections do not predict an increase in the number of older people leaving a Local Government Area in Tasmania and moving to another LGA closer to services as this is an emerging pattern. However, the projected population age structure for almost a third of Tasmania's LGAs predict a very old population by 2038 which is unlikely to eventuate as the population will not be able to support itself.

Unless age-appropriate services are increased in the relevant LGAs, then it is likely that as the number of old-old people (those age 85 or older) increases, an increasing number of older people will relocate from one LGA to another LGA in Tasmania, not captured in the current population projections.

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