

Ballarat 55+ at a glance

People are living longer, and populations are ageing, resulting in a change in the construct of our communities and municipalities.

34,863 Currently there are 34,863 Ballarat residents aged 55 years and over		47,000 By 2033, there will be over 47,000 people in Ballarat age 55 years and over	31% 31% of people in Ballarat are aged 55 years and over
 55% of the population aged 55 years and older are female. 45% are male	85+ 64% of the population aged 85 years and over are female. 36% are male	Suburbs Top 4 suburbs with largest number of older people: Wendouree, Ballarat North, Ballarat, Sebastopol	
 323 First Nations people aged 50 or older in Ballarat	 1,410 people aged 55 and over may identify as LGBTI+ in Ballarat*	 14% of people aged 55 and over in Ballarat were born overseas	你好 Mandarin and Italian are the most spoken languages for people aged 55 and over
 14% of people in Ballarat aged 55 and over need assistance in their day to day lives	3% 3% of people aged 55 and over are at risk of homelessness in Ballarat	 18% of ALL people providing unpaid childcare in Ballarat were aged 55 and over	 18% of people in Ballarat aged 65 to 74 are in the labour force
Health Issues Top 5 chronic health diseases for people aged 55 and over in Ballarat: arthritis, diabetes, heart disease, mental health and asthma		50% Almost 50% of Australians aged 65 to 74 felt digitally excluded*	2,123 2,123 number of people living with dementia in Ballarat^

* Victorian Population Health Survey 2023 + Digital Inclusion Index 2022 ^ Dementia Australia 2024