



Aged Care in Tasmania: Facts

Population Pressures

Population over 70 in 2010	54,900
Population over 70 in 2027	101,688
Per cent Increase:	85%

Source: Source: Department of Health and Ageing, Australian Population Statistical Local Area Population projections, 2007 to 2027, revised. <http://bit.ly/GxmzS>

Service demand at 2027

Increase in residential beds needed by 2027	111%
Increase in community care places by 2027	80%

Source: Calculated using population projections and current ratio allocations

Dementia Pressures

By 2050 there will be more than 20,600 people living with Dementia in Tasmania – almost triple 2012 numbers

Source: Dementia Across Australia 2011-2050

Workforce Pressures

Australia will need 500,000 extra aged care workers by 2050

Public Awareness & Support

Eighty per cent of respondents to a national poll believe Australia is not prepared to meet the huge challenges of an ageing population

Over two thirds said they would forgo a budget surplus to pay for aged care reform in 2012.

Source: Essential Media Poll 2012