

HIGHLIGHTS

There are now more people in the UK aged 60+ than those under 18

24.2% of people in the UK will be 65+ by 2040

1 in 3 baby girls and 1 in 4 baby boys born in 2011 are likely to live past 100

There are **14,570** centenarians in the U.K., up 65% since last decade. Of these, an estimated 800 are 105+, double that of 2005.

CARING FOR OLDER PEOPLE

In 2014, there are **421,557** delayed discharge days attributable to lack of social care in place

500,000 aged 50+ people in England are carers

Spending on social care in England has fallen by **£770 Million** since 2010

PEOPLE WHO NEED ASSISTANCE IN DAILY LIVING AND ACTIVITIES



POLITICAL & ECONOMIC NEEDS

Today's younger generation could struggle to match or exceed the living standards of the generation before them; in terms of earnings, income, and assets. We have become used to the idea that subsequent generations do better, so this is a real concern for us.

Laura Gardner,
Resolution Foundation

Older households (65+) in the United Kingdom contributed about **£61 BILLION** per year to the economy in 2013/2014.



IMPROVING HEALTH & WELLBEING

Almost **59%** of people aged 80+ in the U.K. have a disability.

41% of adults admitted to a U.K. hospital last year were 65+

Dementia costs the U.K. around **£26.3 BILLION** last year, about twice as much as cancer, but 12 times as much is spent on cancer research.

25,000 aged people in the UK, could die prematurely from the cold this winter

Over the last decade, disability free life expectancy increased significantly but, since 2012, men lost 75% and women lost 60% of the gains made in the earlier part of the last decade.

HARNESSING TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION

It's somebody's fault if you can't use the product; it's not your own. If you get it right, inclusive design is just better design. It opens up a wider market. It's better for everyone, not just the person who might be excluded.

Professor John Clarkson,
University of Cambridge

4.2 MILLION aged 65+ in the U.K. have never used the internet

Across all age groups, disabled people are **less likely** to use the internet than those who are not disabled.

QUESTIONS FOR LEADERS

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How can society evolve its understanding of health and cognition to drive longer, better lives?

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How can public services be reshaped to meet future, as well as present, needs?

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What can be done to facilitate longer periods of independence and agency for older people?

4

How do we avoid a system of informal caring that makes the wellbeing of future generations worse?

5

How do we capitalize on technology and innovation to improve the quality of life alongside length of life?

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How can we use technology intelligently while avoiding the creation of loneliness?