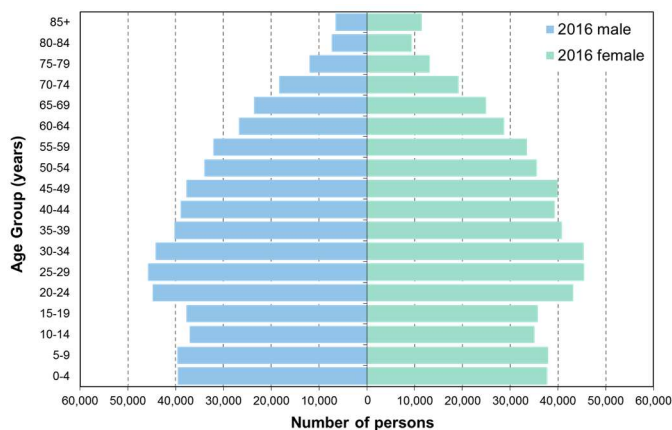


Population increase:

What does it mean for MSH?

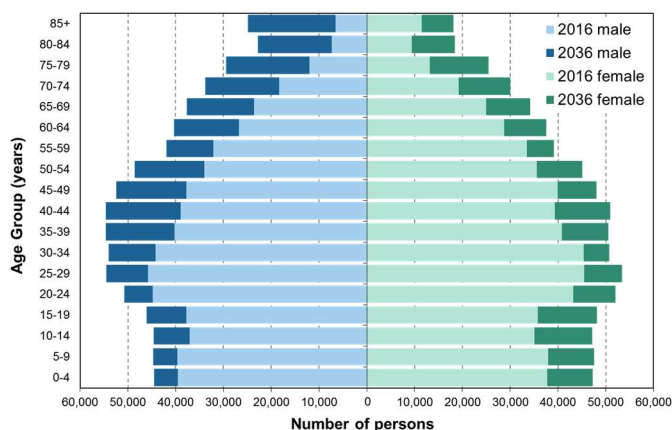
Metro South population: 2016

- In 2016, the population of Metro South was about 1.12 million people
- Just over 92,000 of these were aged 70 and over
- 61% of people were in the working ages of 20-64 years



Metro South population: 2036

- By 2036, it is projected that the population of Metro South will be over 1.52 million people
- This represents a 36% overall increase



- But the increase is uneven across age groups:
 - 0-69 years – increase of 29%

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- 70-79 years – increase of 103%
- 80+ years - increase of 150%

By 2036 Metro South will have over 200,000 residents aged 70+ with 84,000 of these aged 80+

Local Variations

Projected increases also vary across the region:

- Logan LGA, with highest growth areas, is projected to increase overall by 60% to 2036
 - 186% increase in residents aged 70+
- Redland LGA projected overall increase of 22%
 - 122% increase in residents aged 70+

Implications of increase

Such large increases in population that are skewed to older age groups can have considerable implications for health service delivery.

1. More people living with disability and chronic health conditions
2. Increasing demand for GP and other primary health services
3. Increasing need for hospital beds
 - In 2016 it was estimated that there were 1.5 hospitalisations per year for each person aged 70 and over from Metro South
 - If this rate remains steady, we would expect approx. an additional 170,000 hospitalisations per year by 2036.

What can we do?

- Concentrate efforts on disease the prevention
- Encourage reductions in behavioural risk factors
- Focus on health promotion and health literacy
- Support innovative methods of health care delivery e.g. in-home care, telehealth
- Establish robust linkages between all levels of health care

For further information see:
<https://metrosouth.health.qld.gov.au/sites/default/files/content/health-indicators-2018-metro-south-health.pdf>