Issues Concerning the Aging Population

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Population Trends and Projections by Age Group
Tulsa County, 1970 - 2030

Selected Demographics of the Over 65 Population

- Female: 58.4%
- Live Alone: 28.7%
- Live in Group Quarters: 3.8%
- Veteran: 23.5%
- In Labor Force: 20.7%
- Have a Disability: 36.6%

Inadequate assisted living and other housing services available to meet growing needs of elderly

AND

Inadequate health care workforce available to serve growing needs of the elderly
Selected Health Indicators for Persons 65+ in Tulsa County, 2007-2009

- Heart Attack Diagnosis: 14.5%
- Stroke Diagnosis: 10.3%
- Diabetes Diagnosis: 20.5%
- Use Special Equipment: 18.6%
- Activities Limited (disability): 34.4%
- Fair or Poor Health: 25.0%

Source: Oklahoma State Department of Health, OK2SHARE, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey Data.
Mortality Rates by Cause for Persons 65+, Tulsa County, 2009

- Cancer: 180.7
- Diabetes: 18.6
- Heart Disease: 223.3
- Stroke: 57.5
- Chronic Lower Resp. Disease: 60.5
- Accidents: 60.1

Source: Oklahoma State Department of Health, OK2SHARE, Mortality Data.