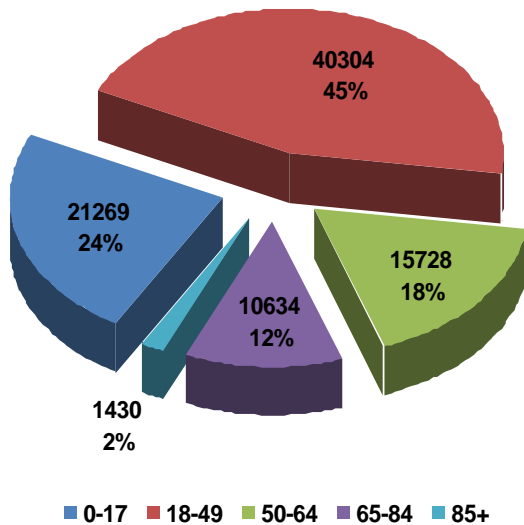


Burke County's Roadmap¹ AAA Region E

In 2006 adults ≥ 65 made up % 14 of the county's population²

Age Distribution



- By 2030 the population age 65 and older will increase 40% to 17,186 people. This population will make up 18% of the county's population.
- Compared to the state, older adults are less educated, 46% live in rural areas, 94% are white, and 25% have at least two disabilities.
- The median income is less for the 75+ population and there are greater numbers of older adults who are at or below the poverty level.
- There are more hospitalizations due to heart disease.

Healthy Aging³

		COUNTY	STATE
Top Five Hospital Discharge Diagnoses	Total Discharges	% of Discharges	% of Discharges
1. Heart failure, heart attack, vascular disease, high blood pressure	1,255	31	28
2. Pneumonia, influenza, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	637	16	13
3. Malnutrition, ulcers, bowel (general disease of digestive system)	421	10	10
4. Falls, adverse drug reactions, other injuries	320	8	8
5. Arthritis, osteoporosis, fracture	229	6	7
Top Five Outpatient Diagnoses	Total Visits	% of Visits	% of Visits
1. Heart failure, heart attack, vascular disease, high blood pressure	17,011	21	20
2. Symptoms, signs, ill-defined conditions	8,736	11	11
3. Arthritis, osteoporosis, fracture	8,716	11	12
4. Diabetes and other metabolic disorders	8,656	11	10
5. Pneumonia, influenza, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	5,886	7	13