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Demographic Characteristics of Older Adults in Virginia PSA 1



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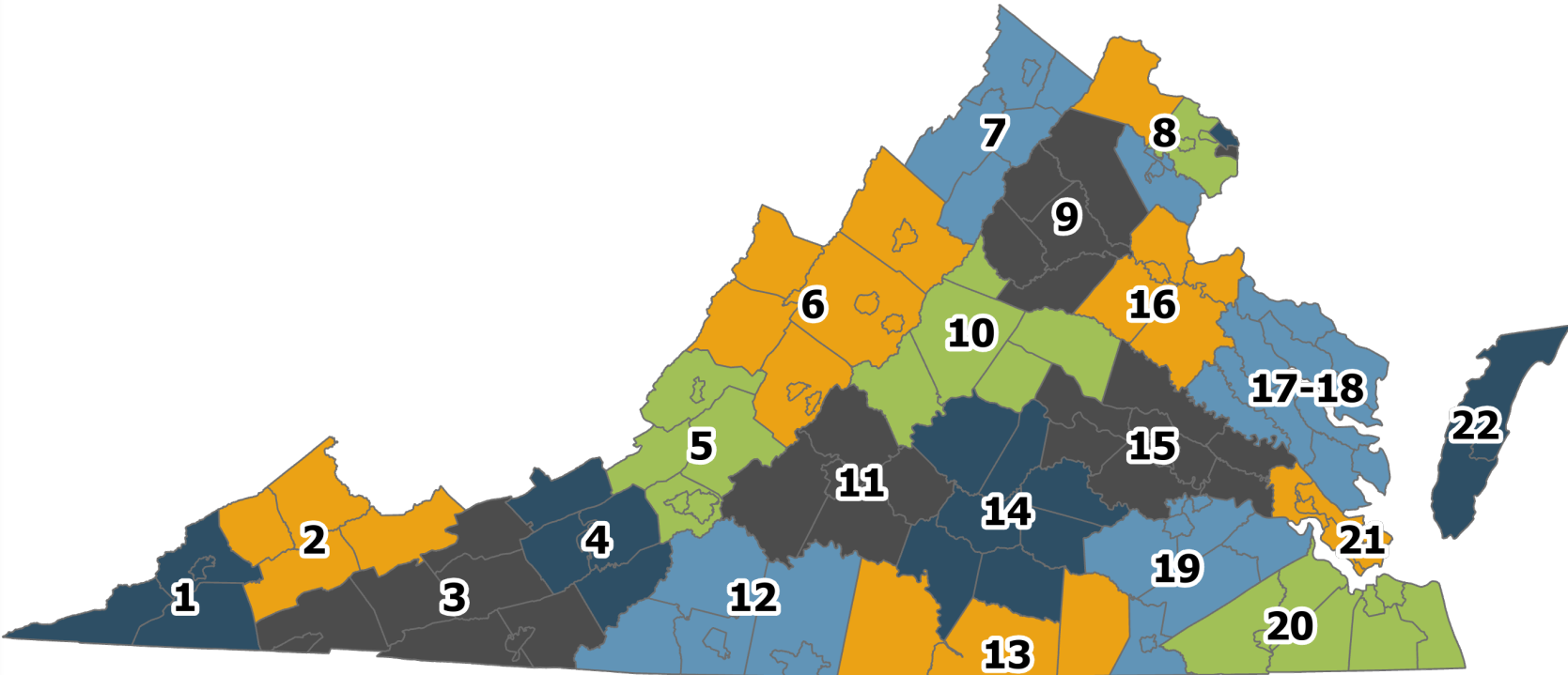


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Planning and Service Area 1 (PSA) includes **Lee County, Wise County, Scott County, and Norton City.**

As of 2020, there were **23,966 Virginians aged 60+**, accounting for **28.8% of the total population** in PSA 1.¹

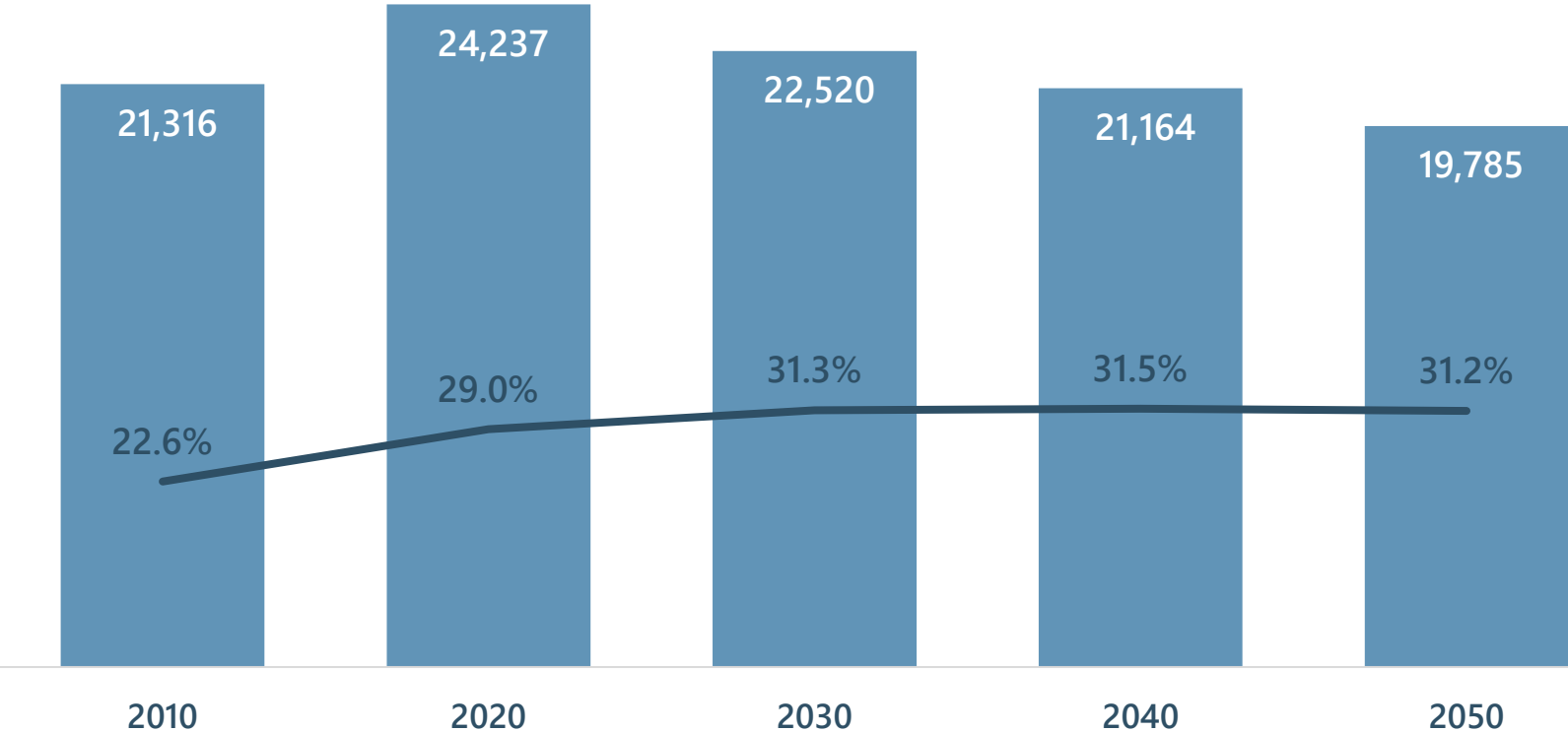


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By 2030, Virginians aged 60+ will comprise **31.3%** of the total population in PSA 1.²

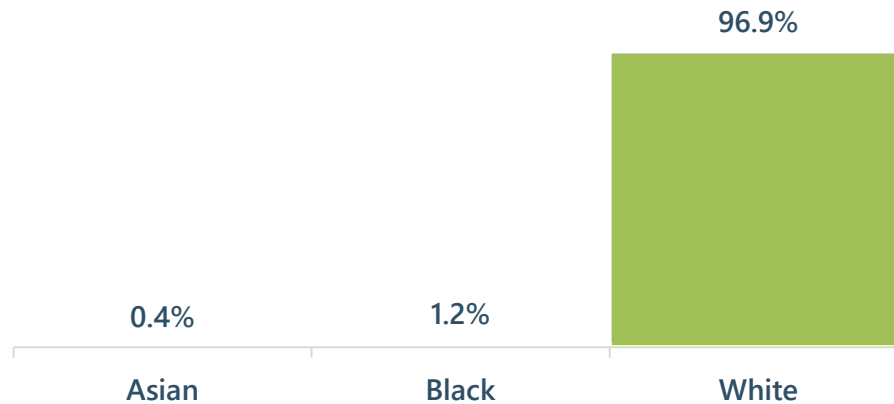
The 60+ population in Virginia PSA 1 is **expected to decline slowly** but the **rate of growth is projected to stabilize** each successive decade until 2050.²



GENDER, RACE, & HISPANIC ORIGIN



Percentage of 60+ Adults by Race & Hispanic Origin



52.8% of 60+ Virginians in PSA 1 were **women** and **47.2% men**.¹

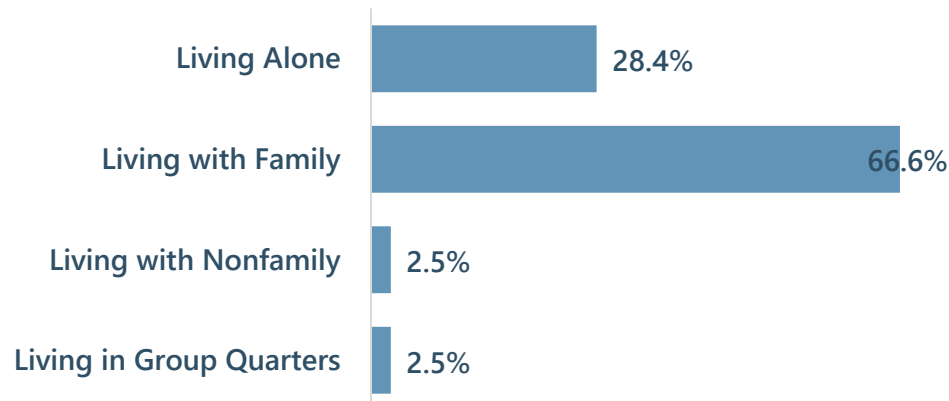
Among 60+ Virginians in PSA 1, **0.5%** were **Hispanic**.¹

Other non-Hispanic racial groups consisted of less than 2%.¹

MARITAL STATUS & LIVING ARRANGEMENT



60+ Adults by Living Arrangement



28.4% of 60+ Virginians in PSA 1 **lived alone**.³

53.3% of 60+ Virginians in PSA 1 were married or partnered, followed by **23.9%** widowed, **14.8%** divorced, **5.1%** never married/single, and **2.9%** separated.³

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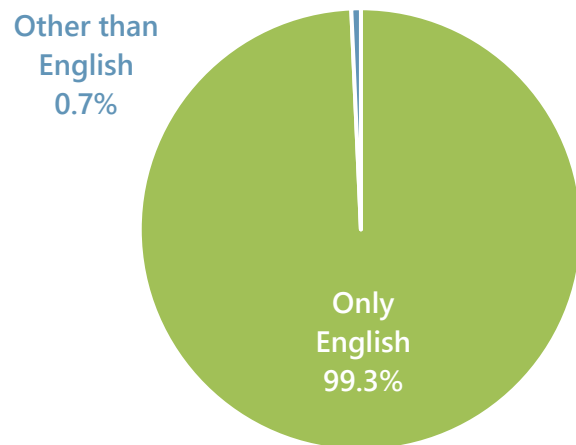


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LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME



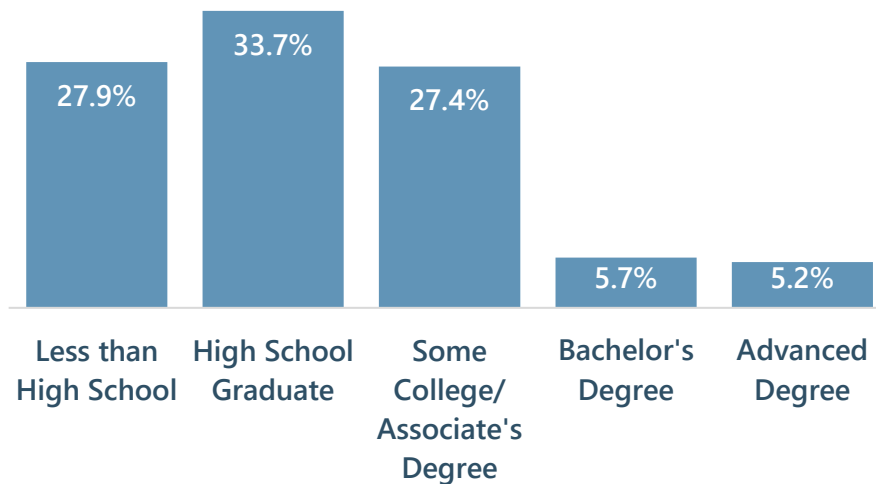
60+ Adults by Language Spoken Most at Home



0.7% of 60+ Virginians in PSA 1 were foreign-born immigrants.³

Among 60+ Virginians in PSA 1, **0.7%** said they mostly **spoke other languages** than English at home.³

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT



27.9% of 60+ Virginians in PSA 1 had less than a high school education.³

5.2% of 60+ Virginians in PSA 1 had graduate or professional degrees.³

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POVERTY & ECONOMIC STATUS



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14.3% of 60+ Virginians in PSA 1 were **in poverty**.³



13.4% of households in PSA 1 with 60+ older adults **received food stamps or SNAP**.⁴

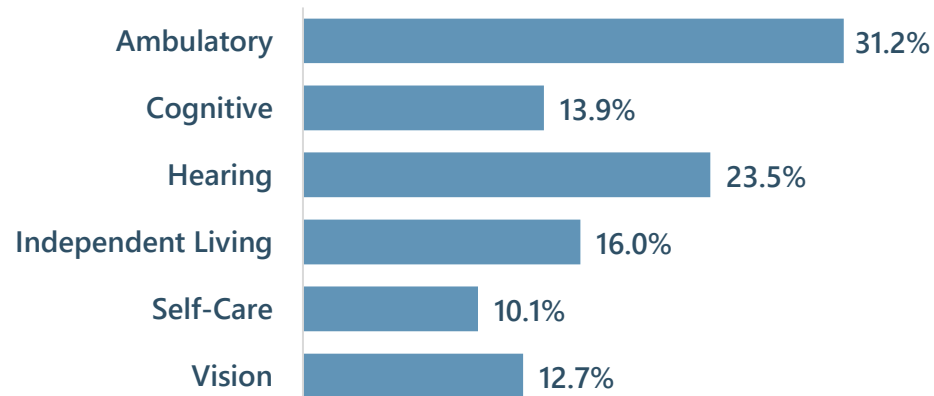


18.2% of 60+ householders in PSA 1 **rented** their houses.⁴

DISABILITY & HEALTH



60+ Adults by Disability Type



47.5% of 60+ Virginians in PSA 1 had a **disability** and **27.6%** had **two or more types of disabilities**.³

Among those with a disability in PSA 1, **1.9%** had **no health insurance coverage**.³