

# DATA BRIEF

## Demographic Characteristics of Older Adults in Virginia PSA 2



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Hispanic Origin



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## DATA SOURCES

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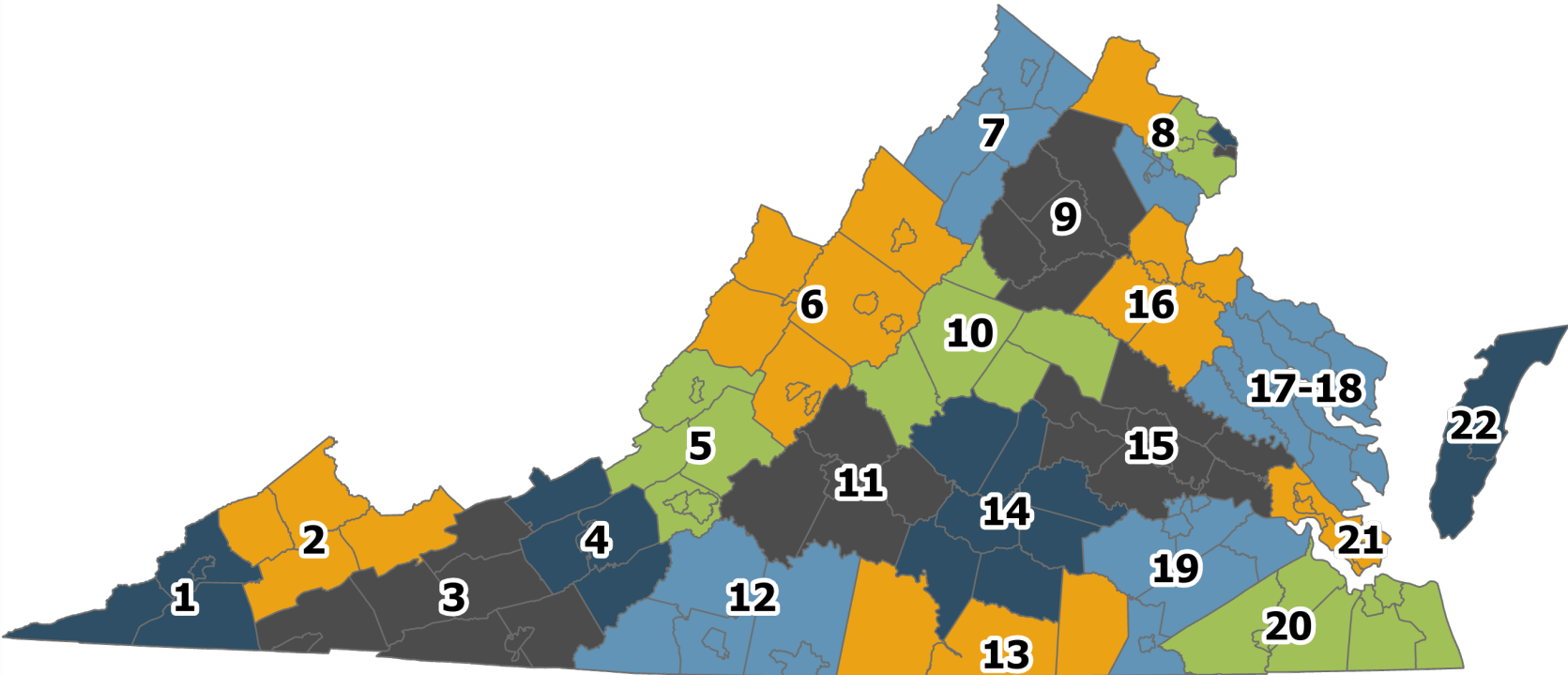


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Planning and Service Area 2 (PSA) includes **Buchanan County, Dickenson County, Russell County, and Tazewell County.**

As of 2020, there were **30,920 Virginians aged 60+**, accounting for **30.8% of the total population** in PSA 2.<sup>1</sup>

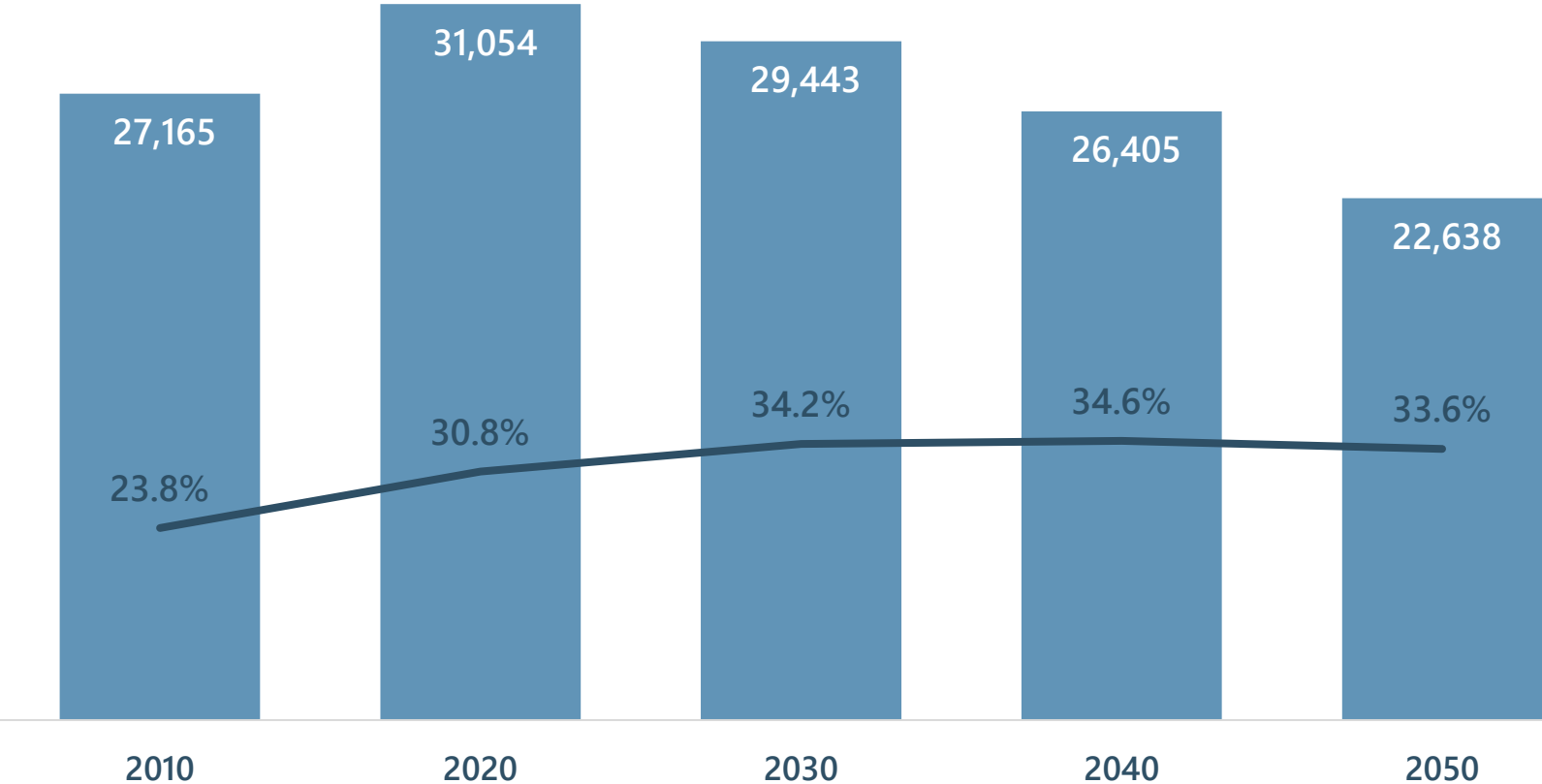


# POPULATION PROJECTIONS



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By 2030, Virginians aged 60+ will comprise **34.2%** of the total population in PSA 2.<sup>2</sup>

The 60+ population in Virginia PSA 2 is **expected to decline slowly** but the **rate of growth is projected to stabilize** each successive decade until 2050.<sup>2</sup>

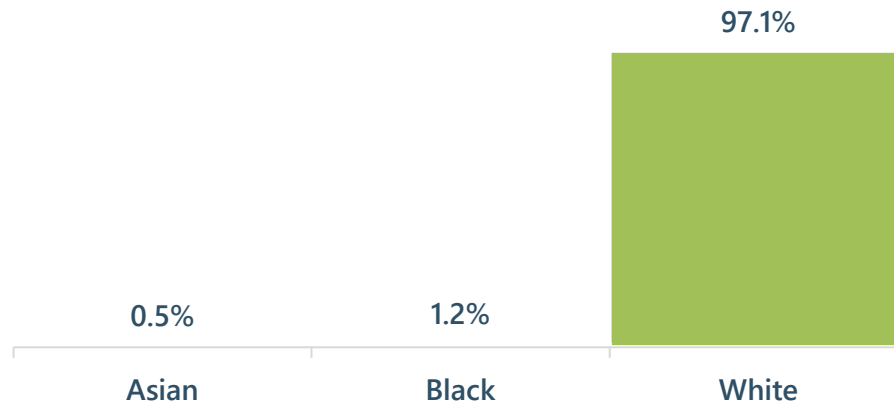


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## GENDER, RACE, & HISPANIC ORIGIN



Percentage of 60+ Adults by Race & Hispanic Origin



**53.4%** of 60+ Virginians in PSA 2 were **women** and **46.6% men**.<sup>1</sup>

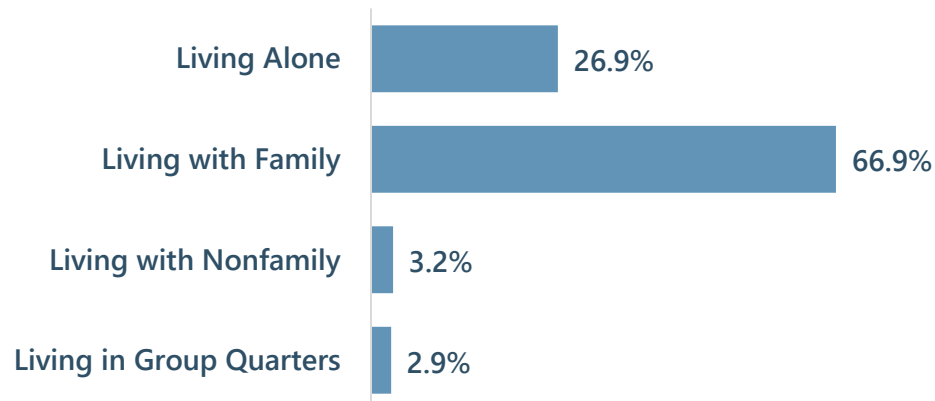
Among 60+ Virginians in PSA 2, **0.4%** were **Hispanic**.<sup>1</sup>

Other non-Hispanic racial groups consisted of less than 1%.<sup>1</sup>

## MARITAL STATUS & LIVING ARRANGEMENT



60+ Adults by Living Arrangement



**26.9%** of 60+ Virginians in PSA 2 **lived alone**.<sup>3</sup>

**53.1%** of 60+ Virginians in PSA 2 were married or partnered, followed by **26.1%** widowed, **13.3%** divorced, **4.5%** never married/single, and **3%** separated.<sup>3</sup>

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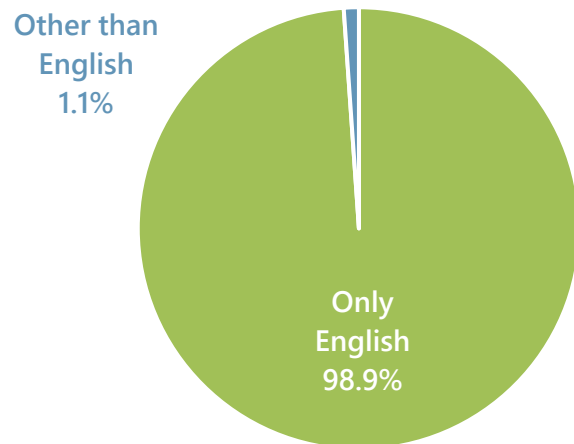


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## LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME



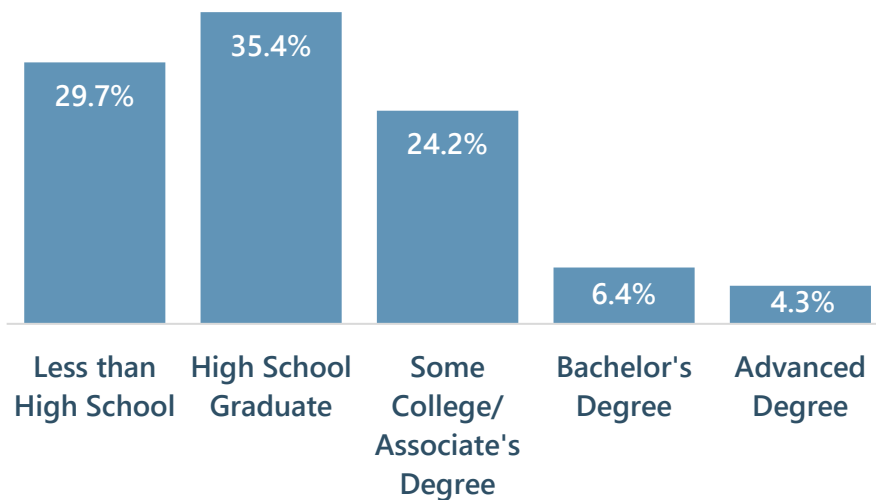
60+ Adults by Language Spoken Most at Home



**0.8%** of 60+ Virginians in PSA 2 were foreign-born immigrants.<sup>3</sup>

Among 60+ Virginians in PSA 2, **1.1%** said they mostly **spoke other languages** than English at home.<sup>3</sup>

## EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT



**29.7%** of 60+ Virginians in PSA 2 had less than a high school education.<sup>3</sup>

**4.3%** of 60+ Virginians in PSA 2 had graduate or professional degrees.<sup>3</sup>

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## POVERTY & ECONOMIC STATUS



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**15.7%** of 60+ Virginians in PSA 2 were **in poverty**.<sup>3</sup>



**11.2%** of households in PSA 2 with 60+ older adults **received food stamps or SNAP**.<sup>4</sup>

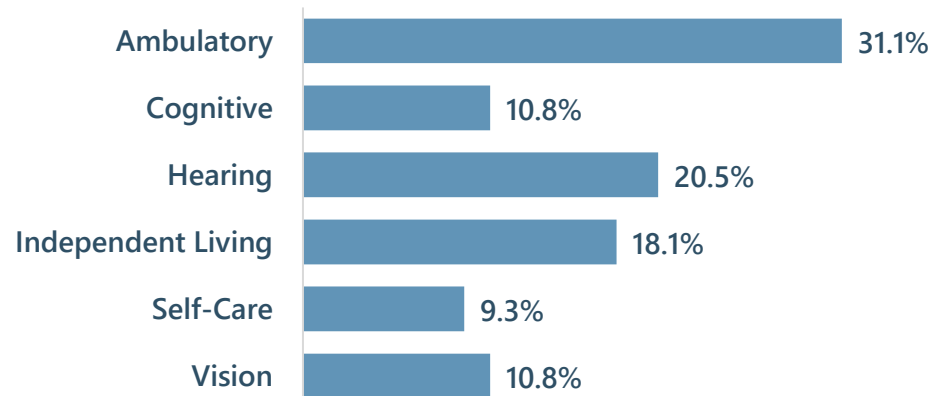


**14.5%** of 60+ householders in PSA 2 **rented** their houses.<sup>4</sup>

## DISABILITY & HEALTH



### 60+ Adults by Disability Type



**44.9%** of 60+ Virginians in PSA 2 had a **disability** and **27.6%** had **two or more types of disabilities**.<sup>3</sup>

Among those with a disability in PSA 2, **1.4%** had **no health insurance coverage**.<sup>3</sup>