# 2020 the Survey of Living Conditions and Welfare Needs

# of Korean Older Persons & 2021 Statistics on the Aged

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1-1. Demographics (Demographic Transition)

	2000	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050	2060
◆ Total Population	47,008,111	49,554,112	51,780,579	51,926,953	50,855,376	47,744,500	42,837,900
■ Over 65	3,394,896	5,366,109	8,125,432	12,979,573	17,223,537	19,007,129	18,814,555
Ratio	7.20%	10.80%	15.70%	25%	33.90%	39.80%	43.90%

1-2. Demographics

GENDER

Female 57%
Male 43%

AGE

Over 85 6%
80-84 15%
75-79 23%
65-69 33%
70-74 23%

MARITAL STATUS

No 33%
Yes 67%

HOUSEHOLD

Others 2%
Living with child 20%
Living alone 20%
Couples 58%
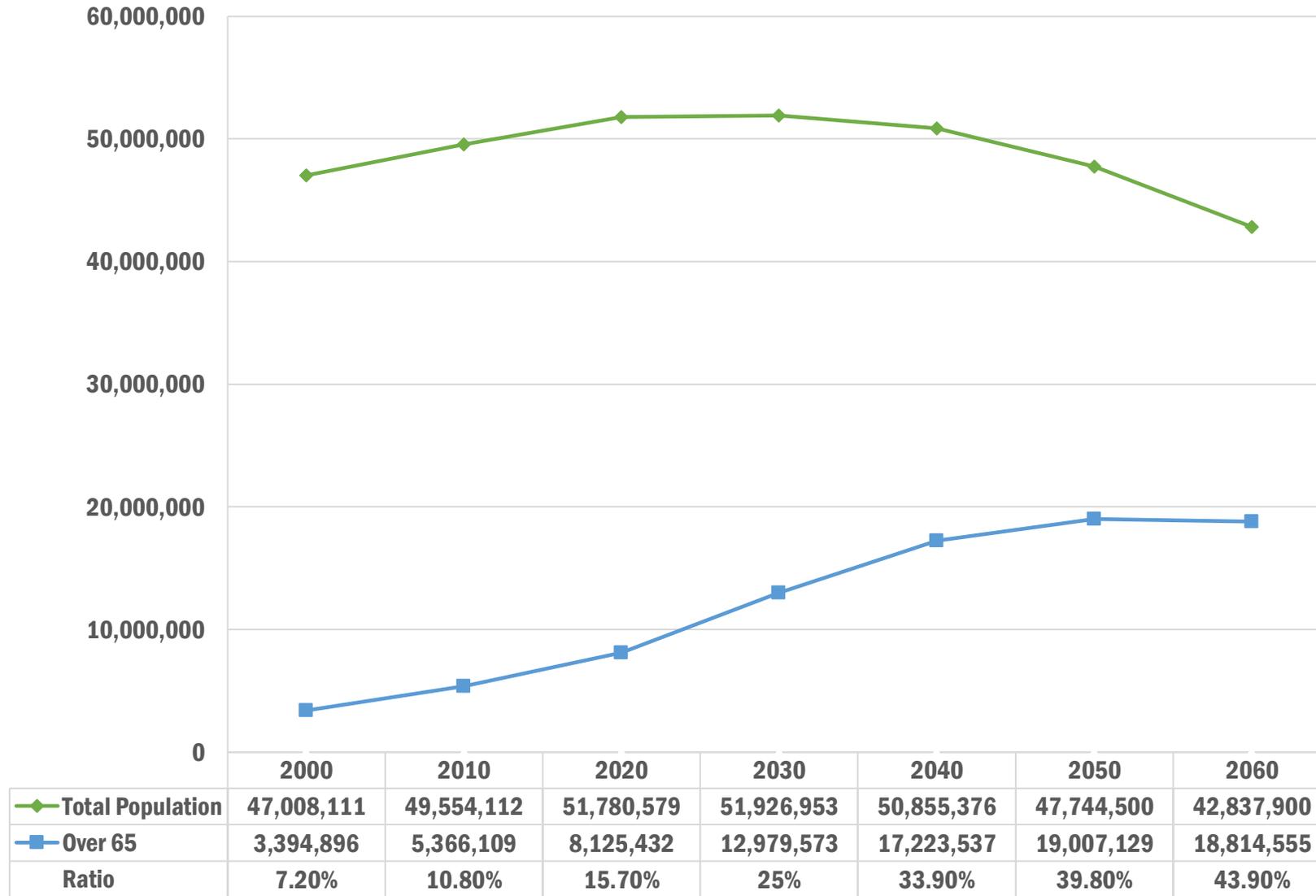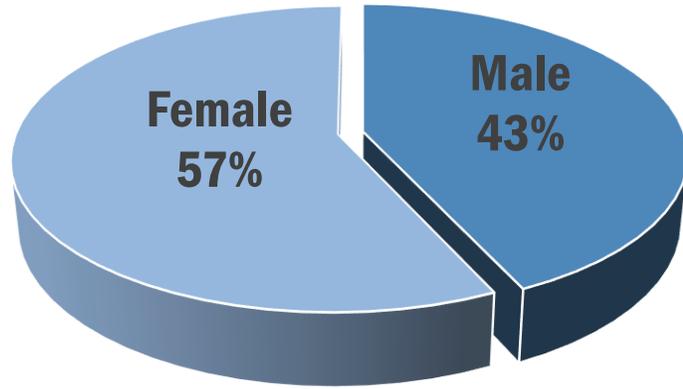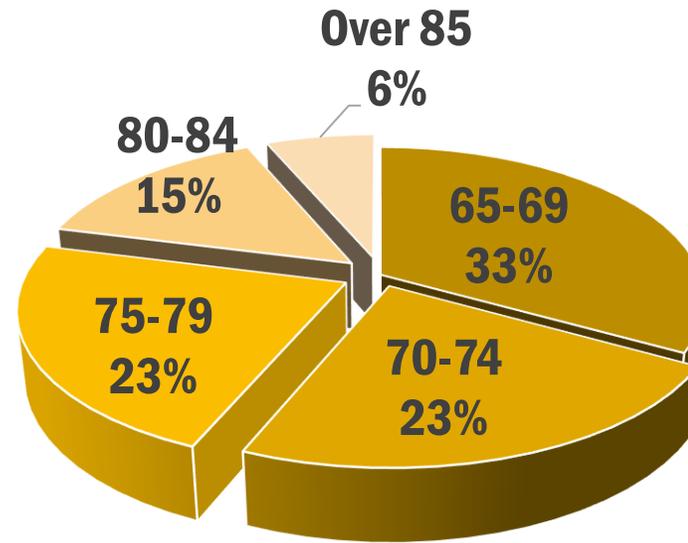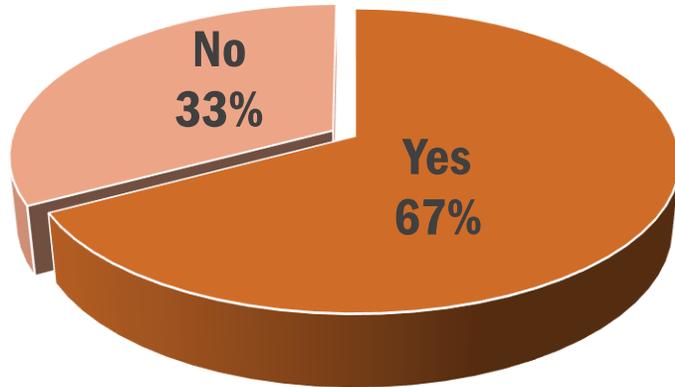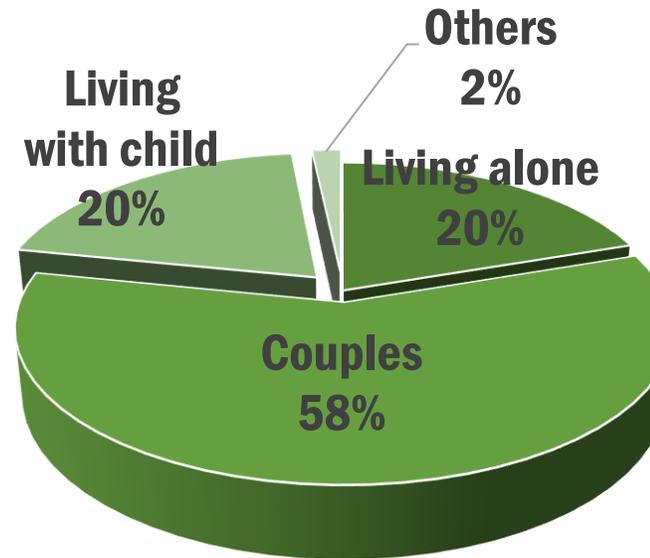
1-3. Demographics

EDUCATION

- University or more 6%
- Illiteracy 11%
- Elementary school 32%
- Middle school 23%
- High school 28%

EMPLOYMENT

- Unemployed 65%
- Employed 35%
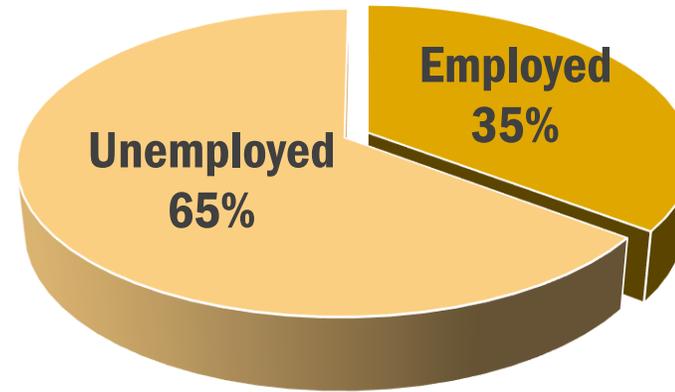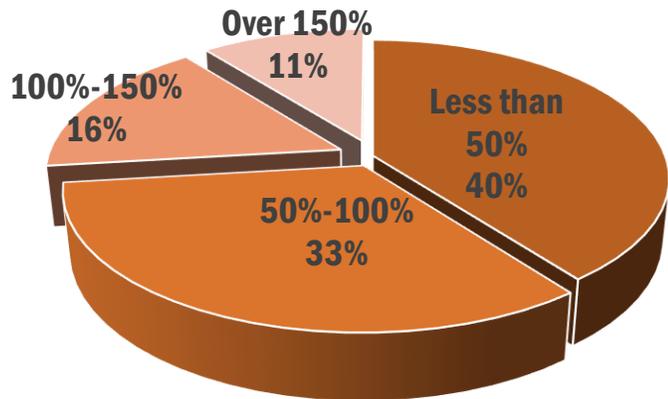
ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME
(Based on Median Income)
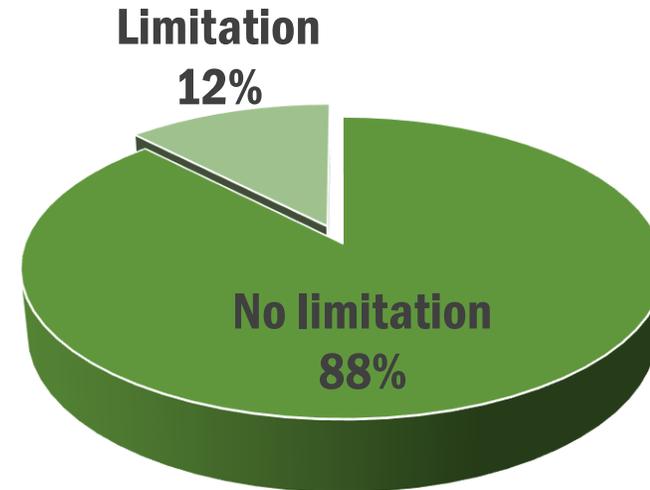
- Over 150% 11%
- 100%-150% 16%
- Less than 50% 40%
- 50%-100% 33%

HEALTH STATUS

- Limitation 12%
- No limitation 88%

2. Household Type

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|	2000	2010	2020	2030	2040	2047
Total Household	14,507	17,495	20,350	22,036	22,651	22,303
Older persons Household	1,734	2,923	4,642	7,438	10,012	11,058
Ratio	11.90%	16.70%	22.80%	33.80%	44.20%	49.60%

Source: 2020 the survey of living conditions and welfare needs of Korean older persons

3. Health Status

Subjective Health Status

Very Bad (5.2%) — **Bad (33.2%)** — **Normal (37.3%)** — **Good (21.3%)** — **Very Good (3.0%)**

Other Health Issues

Depressive Symptoms (13.5%) **ADL (5.6%)** **IADL (12.0%)** **MMSE-DS (25.3%)**
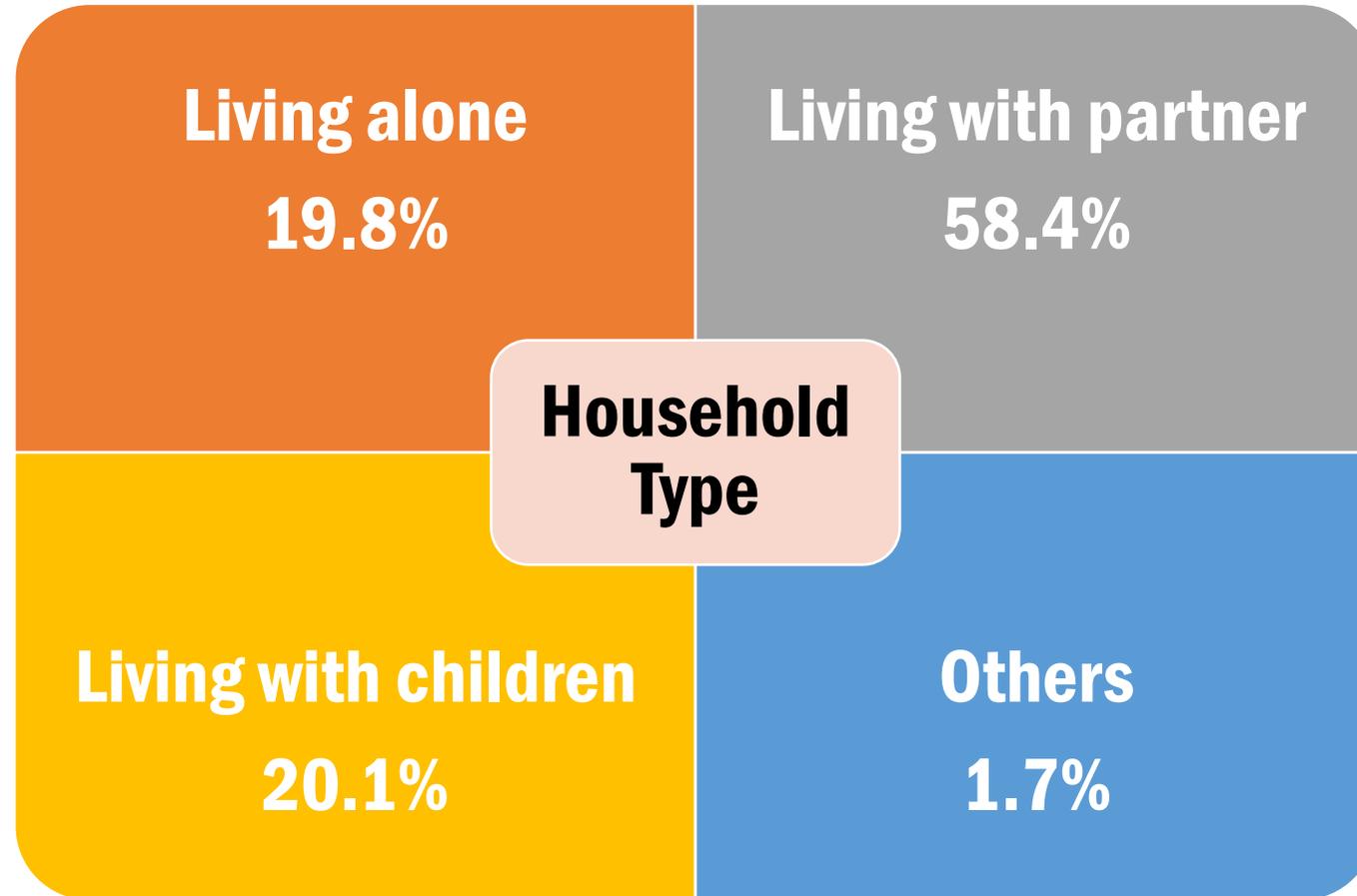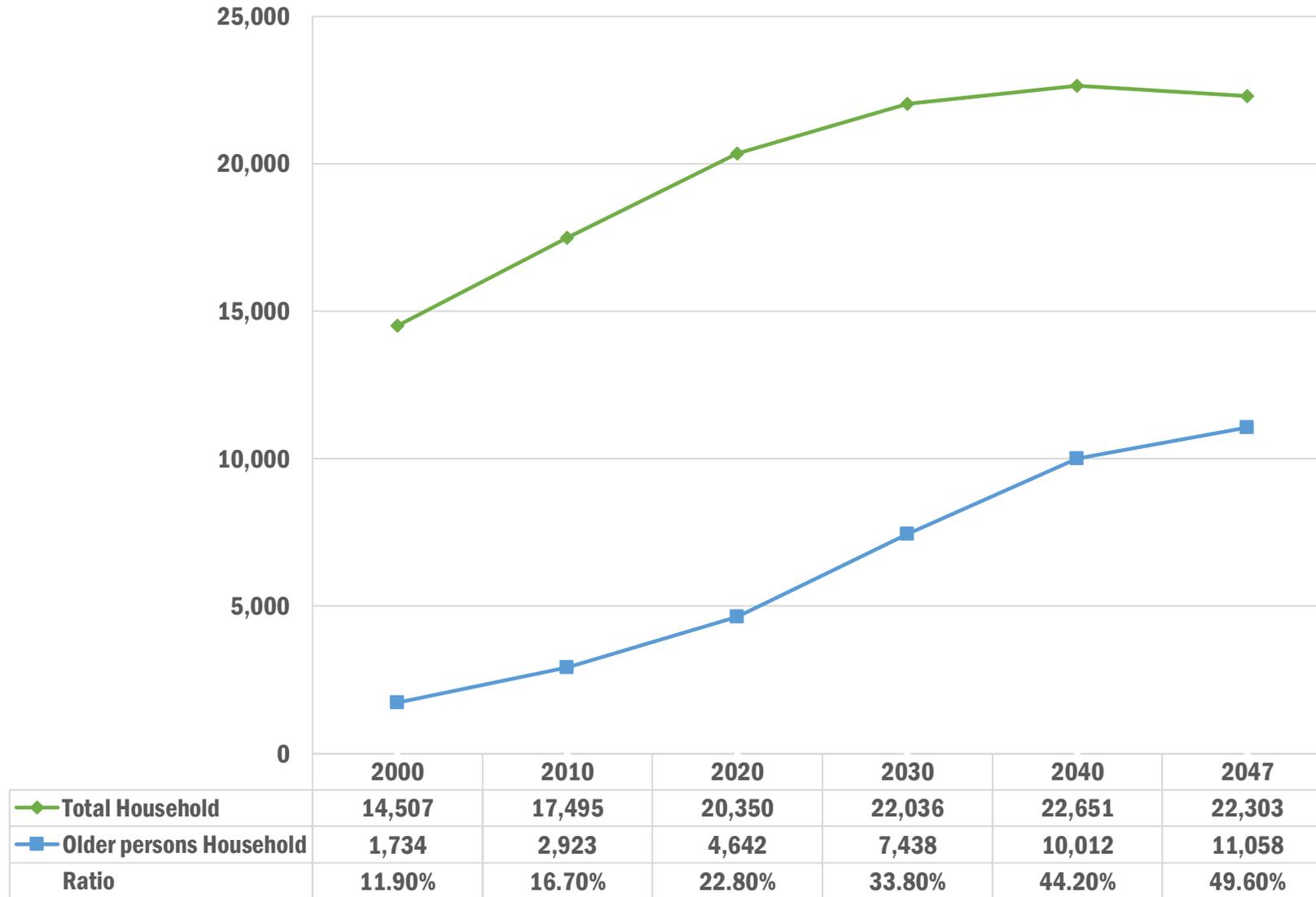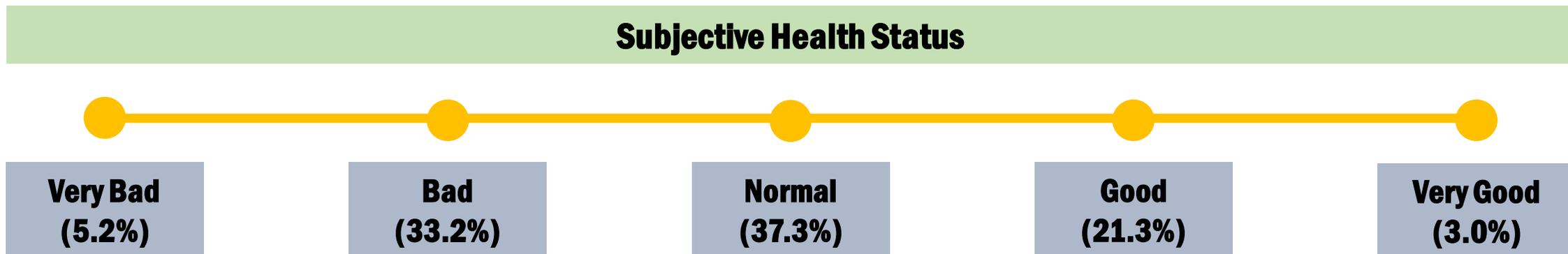
Korean version of Mini-Mental State Examination for Dementia Screening

4. Economic Status (Percentage of Household Income)

Private transfer income is recorded as the total annual amount of financial help (including cash and in kind) received from parents or children, relatives, neighbors, welfare centers or religious social organizations who are not living together.

Household Income

- Wage
- Business income
- Property income
- Private transfer income
- Public transfer income
- Basic(Age) pension
- National basic living security
- Other public pension
- Private pension income
- Others

Values shown: 44%, 17.50%, 34.80%, 95.10%, 40.50%, 71.60%, 5.00%, 15.40%, 13%, 0.10%

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4. Economic Status (Source of Income)

| 100%		
Others (0.0%)	≒ 11 USD	
Private Pension Income (5.2%)	≒ 1,257 USD	
Property Income (9.7%)	≒ 2,343 USD	
Private Transfer Income (11.7%)	≒ 2,813 USD	Average amount of total household income per year ≒ 24,074 USD
Business Income (15.4%)	≒ 3,703 USD	
Public Transfer Income (22.3%)	≒ 5,374 USD	
Wage (35.6%)	≒ 8,573 USD	
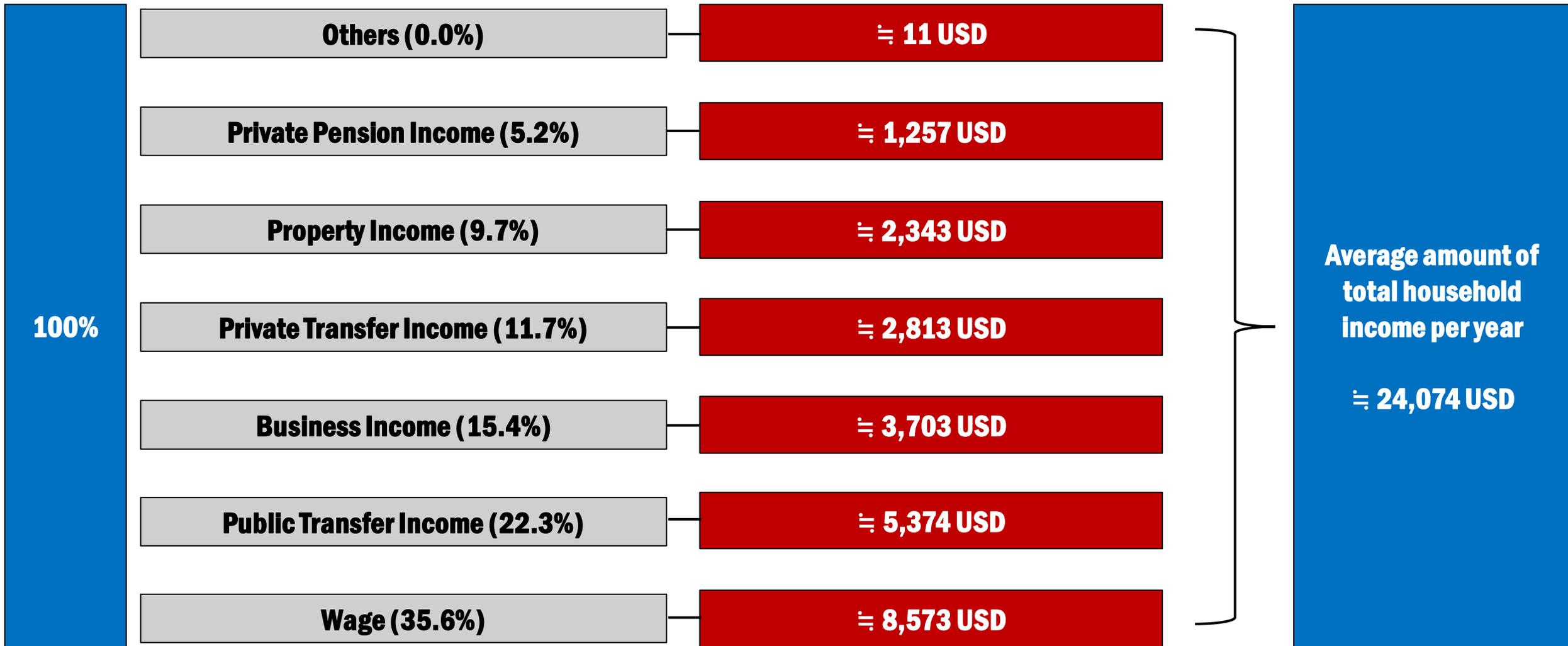
Total number of Sample (10,097)

4. Economic Status (Working Status)

Never worked
14%

Working
37%

Not working
49%

≒8 USD - ≒240 USD
(15.7%)

≒240 USD - ≒400USD
(9.4%)

≒400 USD - ≒800 USD
(13.0%)

≒800 USD - ≒1200 USD
(14.0%)

Over ≒1200 USD
(47.9%)
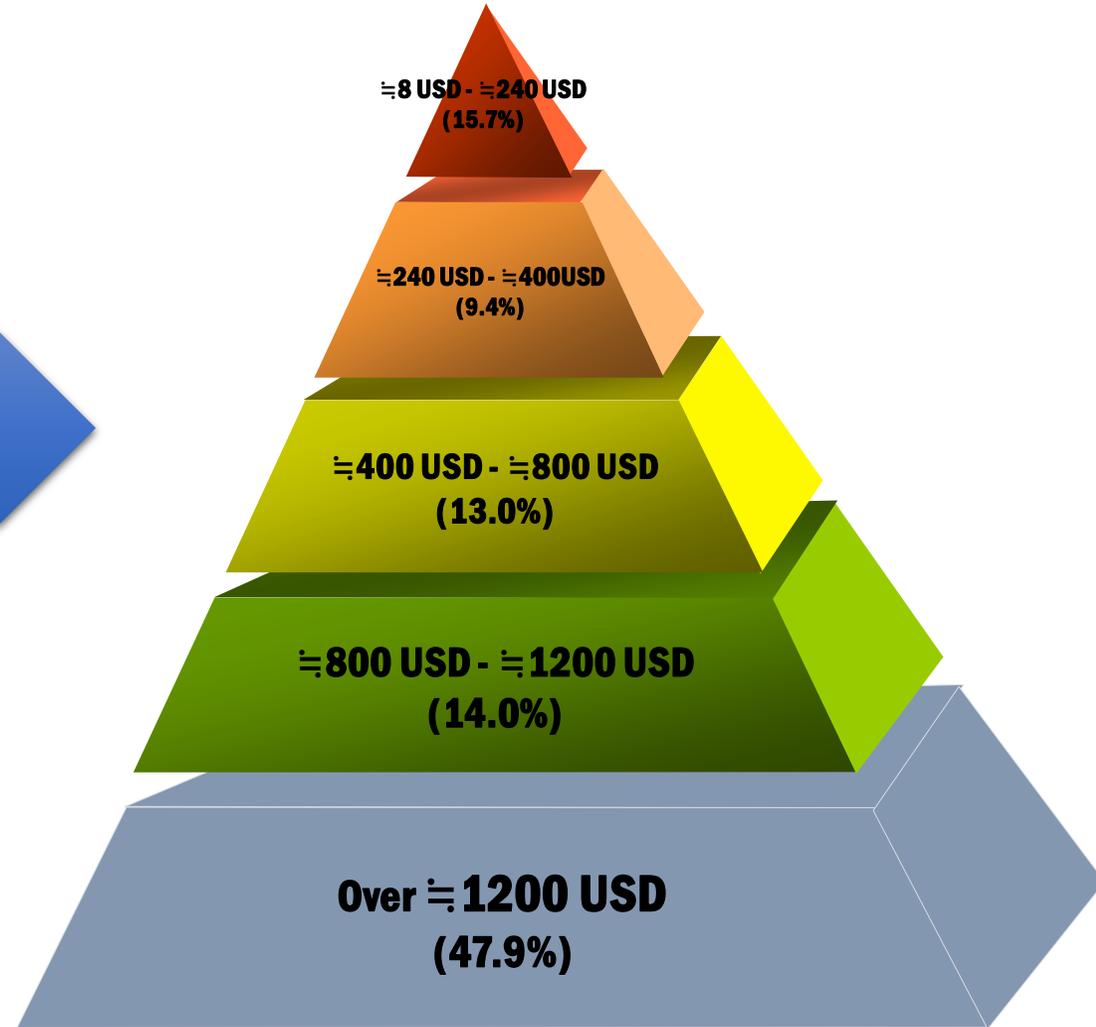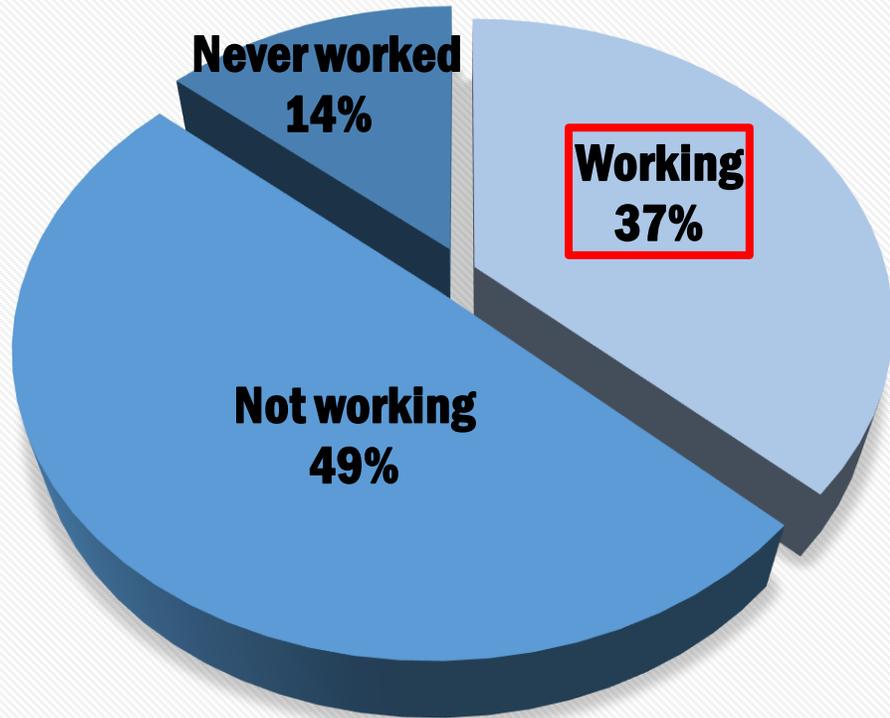
4. Economic Status (Poverty Rate)

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
18-65	13.90%	13.90%	13.70%	12.90%	12.90%	12.60%	11.80%	11.10%
Over 66	47%	47.70%	46%	44.30%	45%	44%	43.40%	43.20%

5. Leisure Activity

Legend: Yes | No

Activity	Yes	No
Leisure and Cultural Activities	80.30%	19.70%
Traveling	27.60%	72.40%
Learning Activities	11.90%	88.10%
Volunteering	2.90%	97.10%
Social Group Activities	50%	50%
Religious Activity	89.10%	10.90%
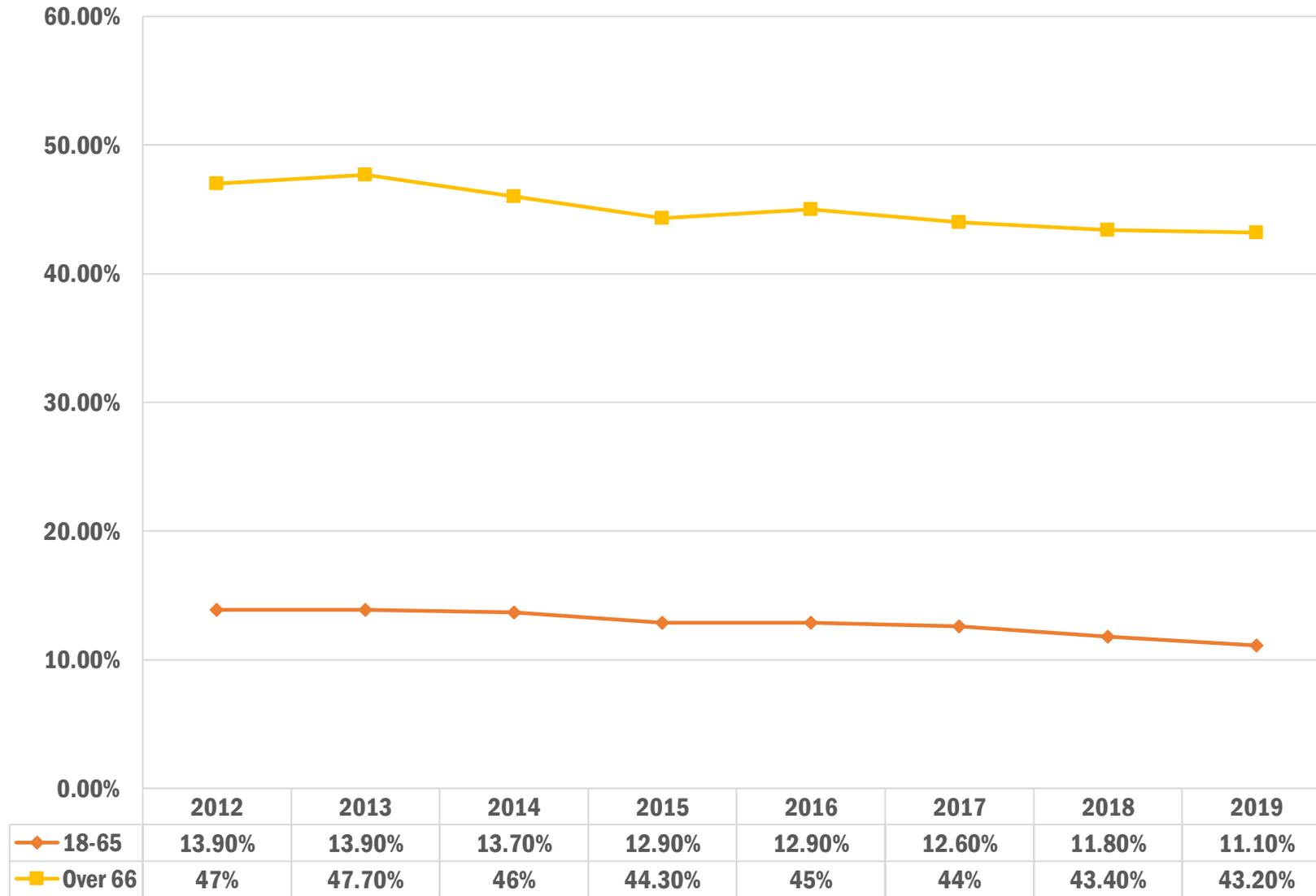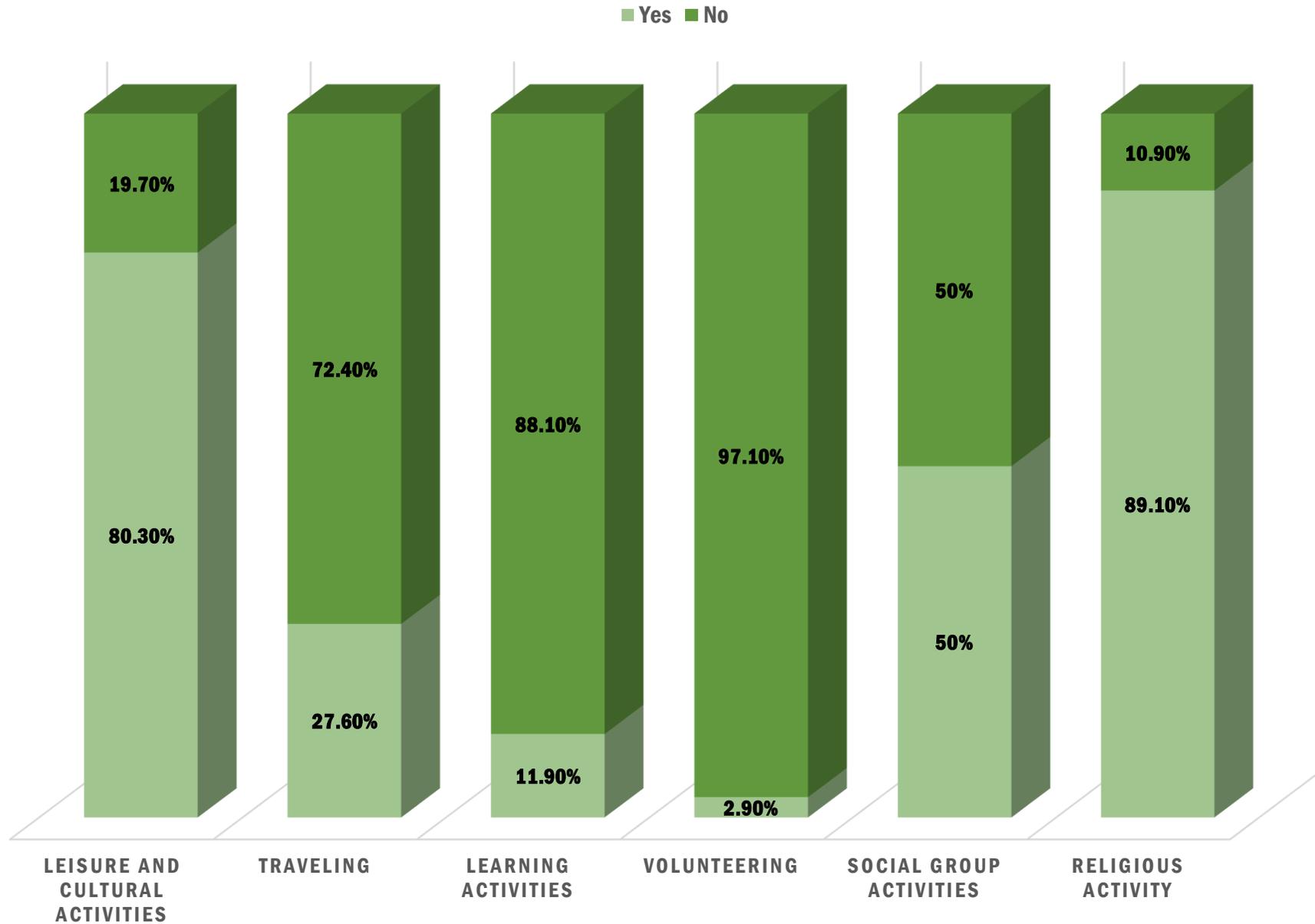
6. Environment

Desired form of residence

■ Others　　■ Move to nursing home, better house, etc.　　■ Living in current home

When stay not healthy
- 12.20%
- 31.30%
- 56.50%

When stay healthy
- 0%
- 16.20%
- 83.80%
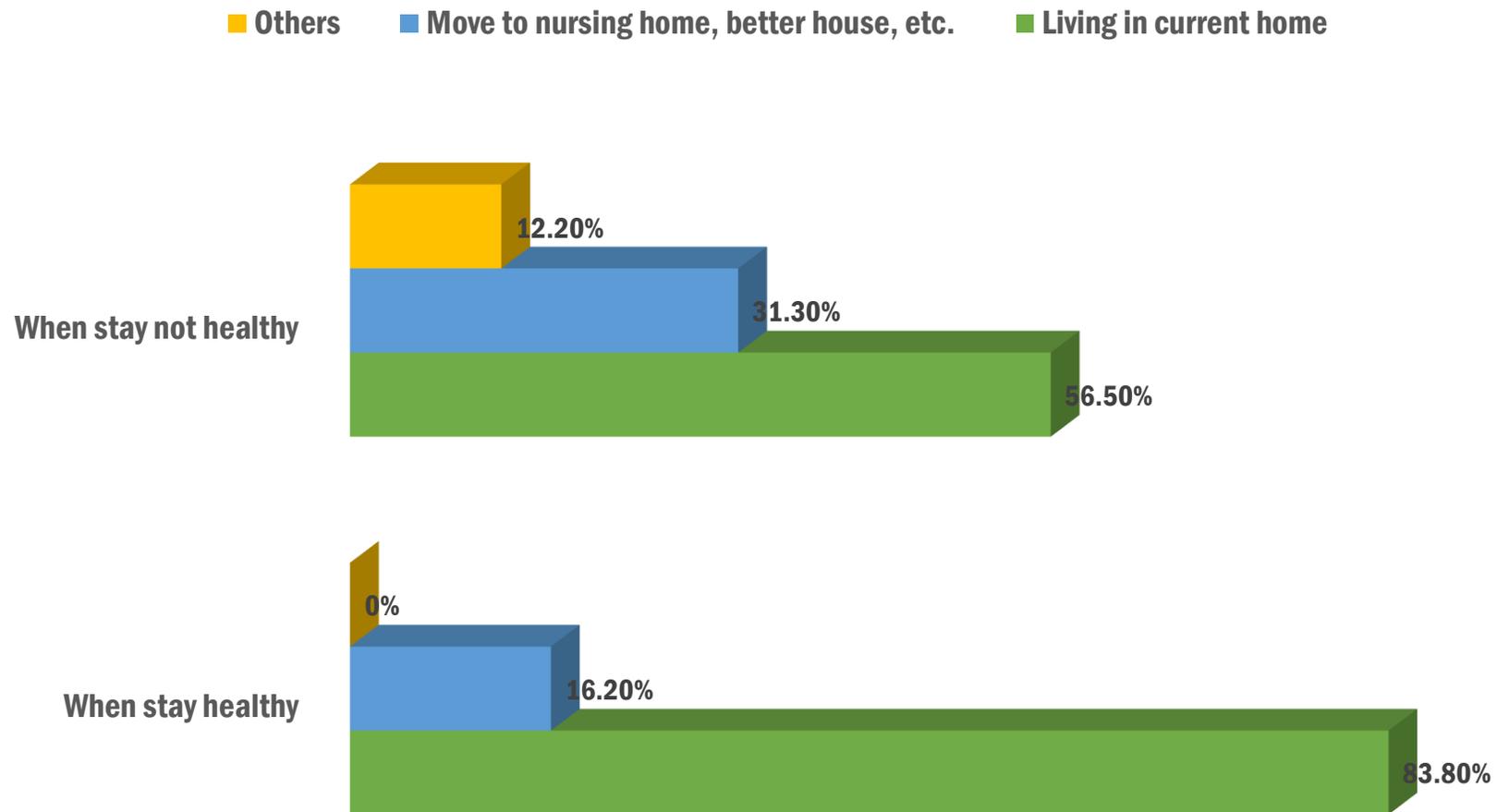
6. Environment

AWARENESS OF THE AGE OF OLDER PERSONS

■ Under 69　■ 70-74　■ 75-79　■ Over 80

26%
53%
15%
6%
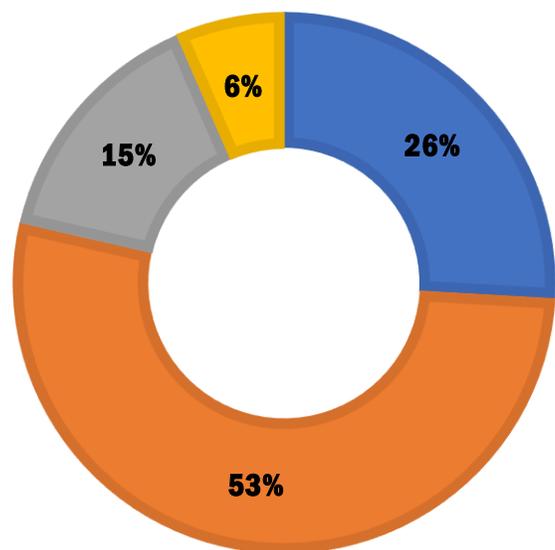
AGEISM EXPERIENCE

■ When using public transportation　■ When using restaurant or coffee shop
■ When using sales facilities　■ When using public institutions
■ When using medical facilities　■ Workplace
■ When making major family decisions

22%
17%
16%
9%
13%
11%
12%