

Elderly people in Vietnam at present time

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Abstract

By using the statistics from the 2009 Vietnam population and housing census as well as Vietnam Household Living Standard Survey in recent years, we could conclude that the proportion of old people is rising sharply in almost countries all over the world. Vietnam is not an exception. The number of elderly people increased yearly. By the year 2008, with the elderly population of 11%, Vietnam population starts ageing. The ageing population is focused mainly in the age groups 60 - 64 and 65 - 69. There are more elderly females than males. Most aged Vietnamese people are married or widows/widowers. They are involved in various forms of economic activities to earn income. A majority of elderly Vietnamese is literate, but only a minority of them professes a religion. Vietnamese elderly people mainly live in rural areas.

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