

Department for the Aging: Profile of Older New Yorkers An Introduction

The Profile of Older New Yorkers is a comprehensive resource for anyone interested in information at Community District (CD), borough and/or city-wide levels about older New Yorkers. The Department for the Aging (DFTA) has compiled the data to provide the aging community and the general public with rich demographic information about this fastest-growing segment of the City's population and to support City and community planning.

The *Profile* is divided by borough; a summary comparison of borough vs. New York City precedes each borough detailed table and highlights borough demographics "at a glance." In the borough detailed table, column headings indicate key demographics, and rows present the demographic data for each CD in the borough. For comparison, the last two rows of each table provide borough and city-wide data on the same demographics. A guide to the *Profile* starting on Page 2 demonstrates how to read data for a sample CD, column by column.

Among key demographic data, the *Profile* includes:

- Information about mobility and self-care impairment, including the total number of persons 60 years of age or older in the CD who are mobility and/or self-care impaired;
- New York Center for Economic Opportunity (CEO) Level and the Federal Poverty Level data about poverty among older adults;
- The number of CD residents 60 years of age or older who have received Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits in the past 12 months;
- Educational attainment; and
- Race/ethnicity and immigrant composition.

All data are taken from the American Community Survey (ACS) 2011-2013, except for NYC Center for Economic Opportunity (CEO) data as noted in the footnotes.