

## A FACT SHEET ABOUT OLDER DRIVERS IN NORTH CAROLINA AND SOUTH CAROLINA

People over 65 represent the fastest growing segment of the population in the United States. As we age, medical conditions that affect driving become more prevalent. Visual, cognitive and movement impairments are just some of the conditions that make driving more difficult.

Older Drivers	North Carolina	South Carolina
People age 65 and older <sup>6,9</sup>	1 million	537,000
People over 65 by 2030 <sup>10</sup>	2.1 million	1.1 million
People over 85 by 2030 <sup>10</sup>	266,000	141,000
Licensed drivers over 65 <sup>3</sup>	870,000	456,000
Number of people over 65 killed in traffic crashes <sup>4</sup>	226	140
Percent of licensed drivers over 65 <sup>3,4</sup>	14%	15%
Percent of traffic fatalities over 65 <sup>3,4</sup>	14.7%	12.8%

Medical Conditions that Affect Driving	North Carolina	South Carolina
People over 65 with Alzheimer's Disease <sup>2</sup>	130,000	67,000
People over 65 with Alzheimer's Disease by 2025 <sup>2</sup>	210,000	100,000
People with stroke history (stroke over age 50) <sup>8,5</sup>	179,000 (25,000)	96,000 (na)
People with arthritis <sup>1</sup>	1.8 million	1.2 million
People over 65 with arthritis <sup>1</sup>	56%	57%
People over 40 with cataracts <sup>7</sup>	625,000	315,000
People over 50 with macular degeneration <sup>7</sup>	55,000	25,000
People over 40 with glaucoma <sup>7</sup>	70,000	35,000



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