



**Issue: People**  
**Metric: Assisted Living Facilities**

Central Ohio is home to a growing senior population. Between 2000 and 2007, the number of people aged 85 and older in the region increased by 21%. It is critical for the region to maintain sufficient assisted living facilities and nursing homes to provide care for the elderly.

The table below shows the number of existing rooms in assisted living facilities and nursing homes in central Ohio, along with figures for the population aged 85 or older. Fayette, Knox, and Marion Counties had the greatest percentage of people aged 85 or older in 2007, while Delaware County had the smallest percentage.

Agencies that provide resources for the senior population in the region include the Ohio Department of Aging and the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging.

	Number of Rooms in Assisted Living Facilities	Number of Rooms in Nursing Homes	Number of People 85 or Older	% Population 85 or Older, 2007
Delaware	216	577	1,415	0.9%
Fairfield	472	903	1,953	1.4%
Fayette	72	469	536	1.9%
Franklin	3,348	5,908	13,904	1.2%
Knox	235	572	1,134	1.9%
Licking	360	1,149	2,215	1.4%
Madison	104	211	604	1.5%
Marion	411	559	1,228	1.9%
Morrow	21	267	473	1.4%
Pickaway	40	345	703	1.3%
Ross	173	493	1,187	1.6%
Union	70	262	551	1.2%
Region	5,522	11,715	25,903	1.3%

Sources: Ohio Long Term Care Consumer Guide

<http://www.ltc.ohio.gov/consumer/search2.asp?s=RCF>

<http://www.ltc.ohio.gov/consumer/search2.asp?s=NH>

Population figures: U.S. Census Bureau.

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