

**« Adapting society to ageing » :
recent reforms in France
in favour of the rights
of the Elderly.**

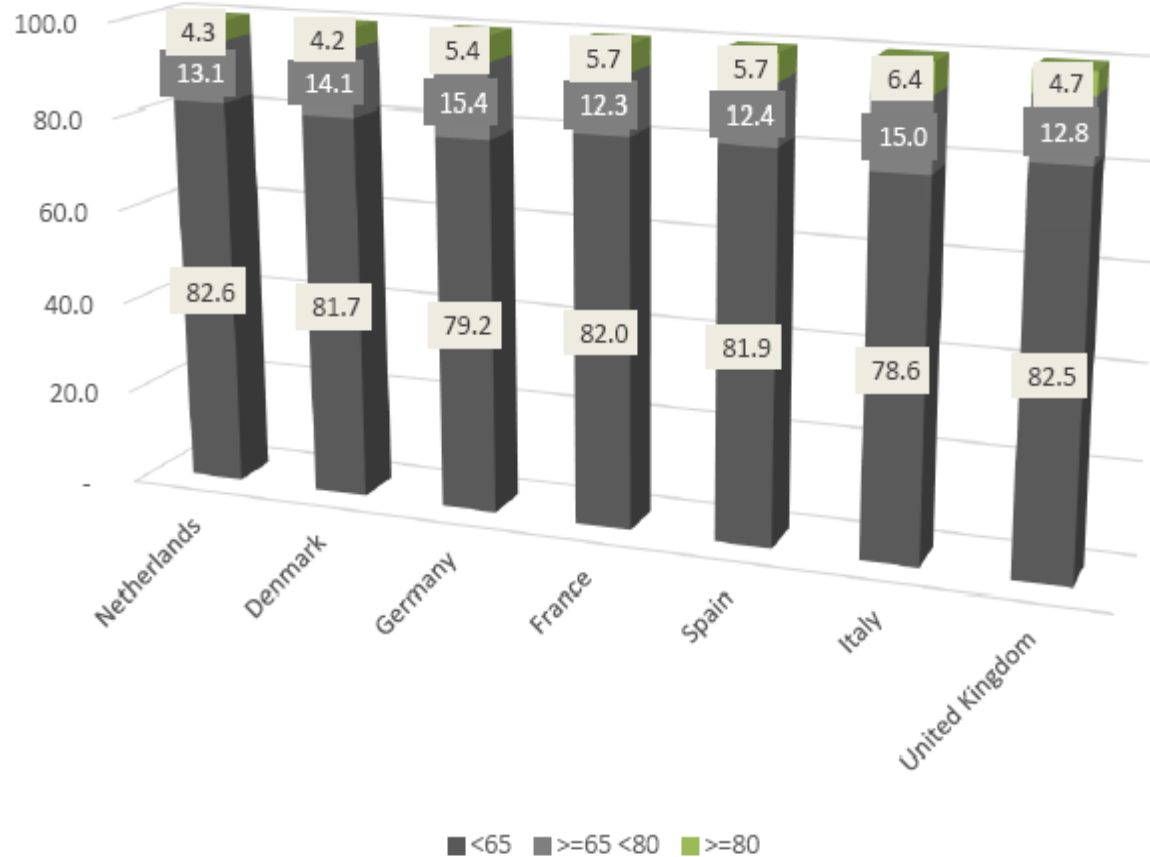
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Recent developments and initiatives

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Age Structure in Europe in 2014



Source: Eurostat data

1 out of 5 people are over 60 years old in 2016

1 out of 3 in 2060

2012 : 1,4 million persons over 85

2020: 2,1 million = +66% in 7 years

2050 : 4,8 million

2012 : 740 000 dependent persons over 75

2025: 920 000 = +25% in 12 years

The Law “ on the adaptation of society ”, 28 December 2015

- **A holistic approach to population ageing**
- Focusing not on dependency but autonomy
- Addressing **key issues**: health promotion, urban planning, transports, housing, volunteering opportunities, “silver economy”, social protection, ...

France promotes a comprehensive approach by optimization - multiagency, multidisciplinary and coordinated - which makes use of all the already available tools resting on the existing standards and which ensure their effective enforcement.

A global strategy based on three key principles ("**triple A**") :

- **Anticipation**
- **Adaptation**
- **Accompaniment**

With three key objectives :

- **Mobilize all sectors of society**, in order to strengthen prevention, optimize the care system;
- **Provide Seniors quality and tailored solutions for their needs, notably regarding housing:** improving conditions to remain at home for longer; increased home services and lower costs for beneficiaries; right to respite for informal caregivers;
- **Strengthen Seniors' Rights.**

Mobilize all sectors of society (1/2)

- *Plan national pour une politique de médicament adaptée aux besoins des personnes âgées*

National action plan for drugs taking into account the age of patients and precisely adapted to the specific medical needs of each age group

- *Monalisa : mobilisation nationale de lutte contre l'isolement des âgés (MONALISA)*

Mobilize all sectors of society (2/2)

- **Integration of the problems of ageing in the local programs of housing environment and in schemes of urban transport**

WHO Global Network for Age-friendly Cities and Communities

- **A substantial financial commitment, resting on national solidarity**

Supplementary withholding Solidarity tax (*Contribution additionnelle de solidarité, CASA*): 700 M. euros /year

“ Conferences of funders” at the local level (*conférence des financeurs*)

Accompany and assist the elderly in their life course (1/3)



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et de la Santé**

Accompany and assist the elderly in their life course (2/3)

- Reform of the **homecare financing schemes**: the Personal Autonomy Allowance (APA)
- Development of **intermediary housing**: 110,000 elders living in 2,000 assisted living projects across the country
 - + “budgetary package” for prevention measures: 40M. euros
 - + buildings’ renovation scheme : 50 M. euros

Accompany and assist the elderly in their life course (3/3)

- **Facilitate and support family and friend caregivers**

4,3 M. caregivers ; average age : 60 ; 60 % women

- **Establishing family and friend leave ; setting up «time off» solutions ; recognition of the status of the “close caregiver” and developing support and training**

October 6th: National Day of Helpers



Promoting the full enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

- For a better application of the general law
- Reinforced procedure of collection of consent when entering a retirement home; improved transparency of the information about the offer and the cost of accommodation; official Internet portal "for the elderly"
- Preventing and fighting ill-treatment, in particular financial abuses
- New rights for old immigrants over 65



Merci beaucoup !