

## Population projection 2012-2040

### Stable population over the next 20 years, aging population

The total population count is over the next 20 years projected to remain fairly stable around 56,000 people. This is assuming that no unexpected changes in fertility, mortality and migration occur. Over the 20 years the population's average age will increase to 37 years from 34 years today. The population continues to be younger than, say Danish population where the average age today is approx. 40 years.

**Table 1. The Population's age distribution 1982-2040, selected years**

	1982	1992	2002	2012	2022	2032	2040
	100 percent						
0-6	12,1	14,0	11,6	10,1	10,6	10,0	9,8
7-16	20,6	15,2	18,0	14,7	14,1	14,3	13,8
17-24	18,5	12,5	10,4	13,2	10,8	10,6	10,6
25-65	45,1	54,3	54,8	54,8	55,3	52,1	51,8
65+	3,6	4,0	5,3	7,2	9,2	13,0	14,0

See figures in our Statbank ( <http://bank.stat.gl/beep2012> )

Over the projection period, the older population (65 +) will be doubled and in 2040 represent an equally large proportion of the population as attending schools. The working population will continue to represent over half of the population.

This is the main results of the projection by Statistics Greenland based on population estimates January 1<sup>st</sup> 2012.

Detailed results by sex, 1-year age groups and birthplace can be found in our Statbank <http://bank.stat.gl/beep2012>



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