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By 2030, the Baby Boomers will all be 65 years old or older, contributing to the growing aging population both in Kentucky and the nation as a whole. Between 2017-2022, an estimated 540,893 (+/- 2,877) households in Kentucky had one or more persons ages 65 and over (2022 American Community Survey 5-year estimate). While some older adults require nursing home care and other long-term care services, today's older adults are healthier overall and will live independently for longer. Today, the majority of older adults in Kentucky live at home either on their own or with family members including spouses, adult children, and extended family.

For more on older populations, see the Census Bureau's resources at:

https://www.census.gov/topics/population/older-aging.html

For help in understanding the margin of error (the number in parentheses), see "And Now for the Grain of Salt: Margins of Error and the American Community Survey" at <u>https://kybtn.ca.uky.edu/content/publications</u>

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	<u>State</u>	
	2017-2022 5-year Estimate	Margin of Error (MOE)
Number of Households with one or more people 65 years and over	540,893	(+/-2,877)
1-Person Household (living alone)	214,857	(+/- 3,850)
2-or-more-Person Household	326,036	(+/- 2,442)
Family Households (living with spouse or relatives)	309,538	(+/- 2,314)
Nonfamily Households (living with nonrelatives)	16,498	(+/- 915)
Numbers of Persons 65 years and over Living in Households	732,506	(+/- 924)
Living in Family Households	492,282	(+/- 3,441)
Person is the Householder	253,593	(+/- 2,205)
Person is the Spouse of the Householder	189,492	(+/- 2,188)
Person is the Parent of the Householder	24,799	(+/- 1,466)
Living in Nonfamily Households (alone or with nonrelatives)	240,224	(+/- 3,635)
Male Living Alone	71,647	(+/- 1,921)
Female Living Alone	143,210	(+/- 2,922)
Numbers of Persons 65 years and over Living in Group Quarters (i.e. nursing homes, treatment centers, correctional facilities)	23,933	(+/- 496)

These data are from Table B11007 and B09020 from the 2022 American Community Survey 5-year estimates. Additional data are available at: <u>https://data.census.gov</u>

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