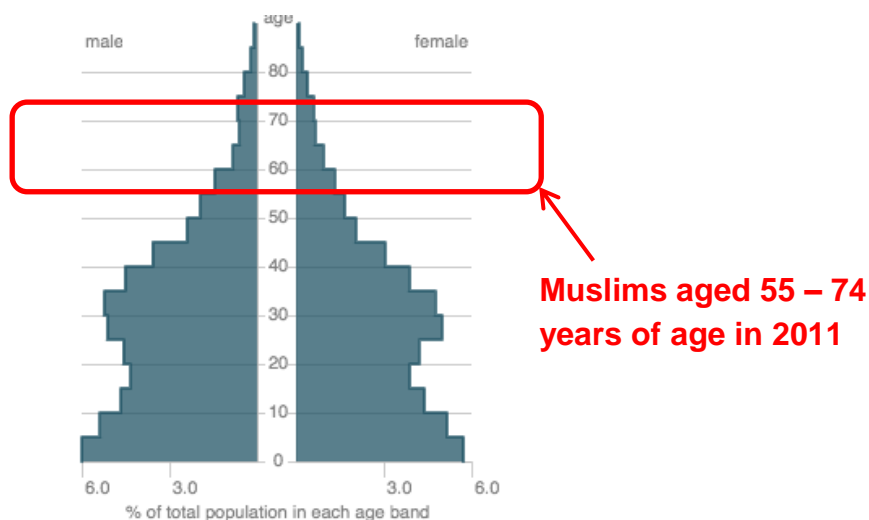


Doubling in number of elderly Muslims

By 2021 the number of Muslims aged 65+ years old will almost double to 190,000 (compared to circa 100,000 in 2011).



What does this mean?

- While UK Muslim communities are generally very young (see Briefing 1), the population is gradually getting older, and more are reaching retirement age.
- By 2021, there will be approximately 190,000 Muslims in the 65-84 years age bands (based on simple extrapolation of the 2011 population in the 55-74 years age bands, and not taking into account mortality or net migration). This compares with circa 100,000 in the 65-84 years age bands in 2011.
- How are traditional values of caring for elderly parents standing up to the contemporary demands on family life?
- What steps need to be taken by the voluntary sector, Muslim civil society, and entrepreneurs to ensure the availability of culturally and religiously sensitive elderly care for those who need it, and avoid our elderly becoming socially isolated?
- What elderly care good practice can be learned from other faith communities?