Policies on Population Ageing

Population ageing is occurring throughout the world
Percentage point change in the proportion aged 65 or over in the total population, 2015 to 2030

Older persons are at risk of being left behind from development gains

Globally, the goal of universal social protection is far from being achieved

48% of persons of pensionable age have no pension

Older persons often face barriers in accessing health-care services

Governments are adopting policies to address population ageing and build a society for all ages

Governments concerned about population ageing have a larger number of policy measures to address such concerns

Countries where population ageing is a major concern have taken steps to improve the sustainability of pension systems

46% of governments raised minimum retirement age

41% of governments raised social security contributions by workers

Notes

Development regions: Europe, Asia (excluding Japan), Latin America and the Caribbean, Caucasus, Sub-Saharan Africa, developed regions outside Europe, North America, Japan, Australia and New Zealand. For methodological and methodological issues with estimating the key age groups, please refer to the 2015 Revision of United Nations population estimates and projections, which can be found at http://www.un.org/esa/population/publications/worldpopulation2015.

Data sources: