



Baseline Survey of Penang as an Age-Friendly City

Basic Demographics



600 male and 901 female



Most represented age group : 61-70



71.5% are Chinese



68.2% belong to Timur Laut district division



99.4% are permanent residents of Penang



51.7% have acquired tertiary education

Household Composition

Living with Spouse (55.7%)

Living Alone (16.3%)

Common Income Brackets

>RM 10,000 (22.3%)

RM 2,000 - RM 3,999 (20.4%)

Perception of Penang Island

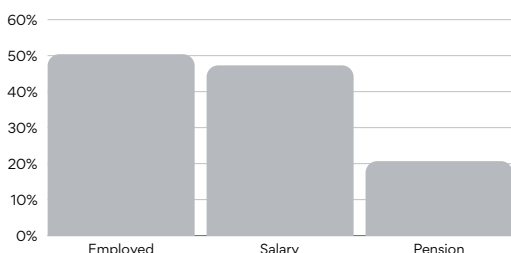
Poor (9.7%)

Average (40.7%)

Excellent (49.6%)

Age-Friendly City (38.7%)

Employment and Primary Income sources



Age-Friendly City Domains

- **Housing:** Survey highlighted the need for affordable housing options and financial assistance for home modifications.
- **Transportation:** Explored primary transportation modes and the recognition of important features, with concerns about their current availability.
- **Outdoor Spaces and Buildings:** Examined access to parks, public buildings, and restrooms, with insights into park visit frequency.
- **Social Participation:** Explored preferred modes of interaction, emphasizing face-to-face communication.
- **Respect and Social Inclusion:** More than half (50.6%) noted the availability and majority (90.4%) reported the importance of senior entertainment. Majority emphasized the need for decision-making bodies for the elderly on Penang Island because of low availability .
- **Civic Participation and Employment:** Respondents recognized the low availability (21.8%) and high necessity (88.1%) of flexible job opportunities. Reported intentions to continue education (45.9%) and desire to continue working (55.8%).
- **Communication and Information:** Highlighted internet access and the need for tailored written information for seniors.

Community Support and Health Services

Access to Health Wellness Programs

36.2%

Conveniently located Health Facilities

60.3%

Home visits by healthcare workers

27.1%

Access to Nursing Homes

71.6%

Various healthcare workers (HCW) services

71.8%

Multilingual healthcare workers

69.4%

Respectful healthcare workers

74.1%

*The universal sampling reflects the findings that are skewed towards women within the age range of 60 to 70 years old.

