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Role of Local Government in Supporting Seniors

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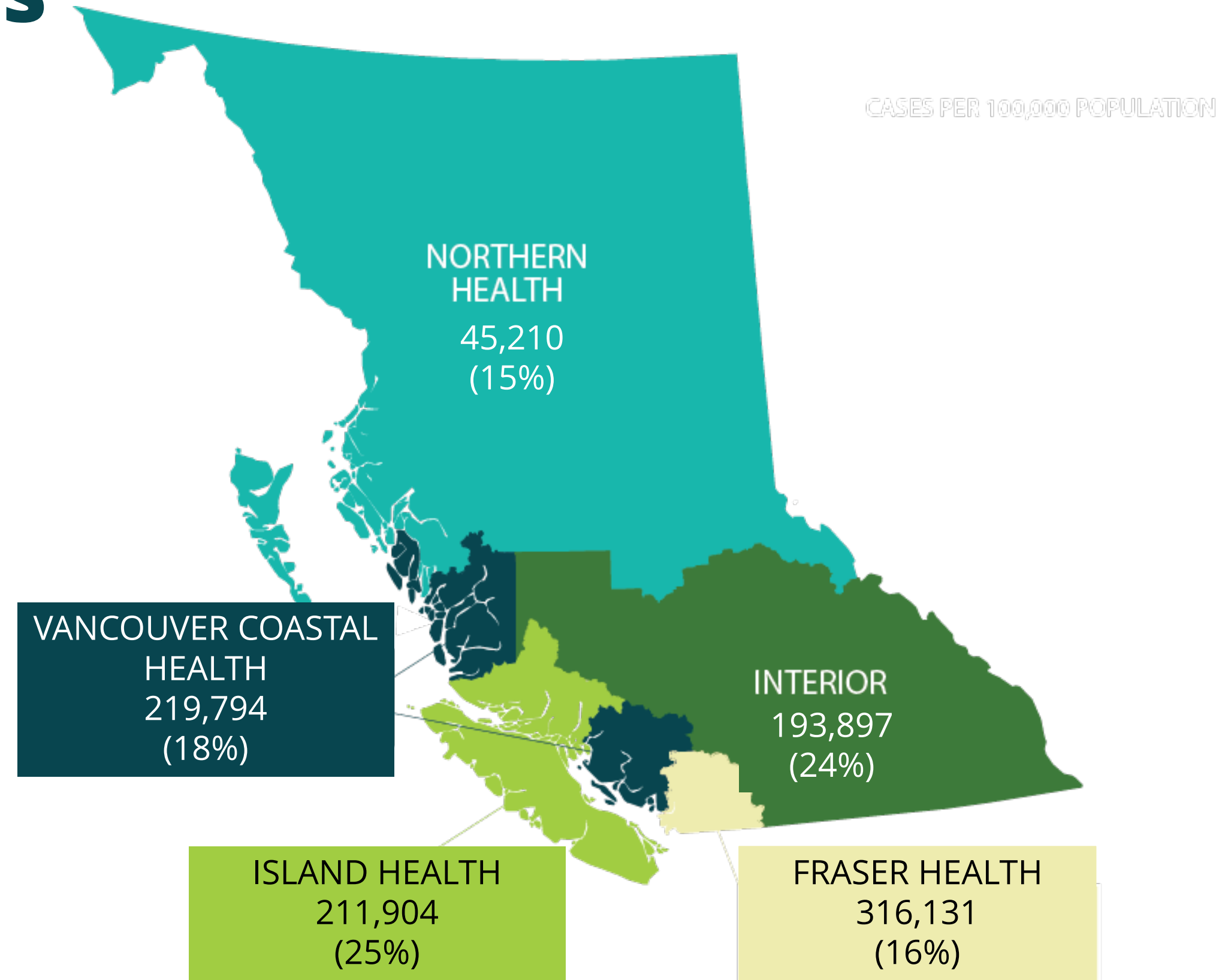
Snapshot of B.C. Seniors

2022

1,016,365
seniors in B.C.

20% of the population

5,000,880
total population



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Seniors population

- **58%** (592,000) aged 65-74
- **30%** (302,000) at 75-84
- **12%** (122,000) at 85+



95% aged 65+ live independently

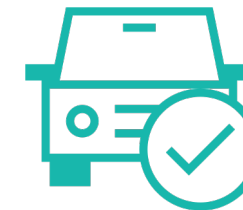
- **9%** 85+ live in assisted living
- **13%** 85+ live in long-term care



80% aged 65+ are homeowners



- **17%** aged 55-64 live alone
- **21%** at 65-74
- **27%** at 75-84
- **39%** at 85+



88% have driver's license at age 65

- **58%** at age 85
- **40%** at 85+
- **20%** at 90+



\$34,000 median income of 65+
(\$47,600 avg.)



Seniors Health and Housing

95%

Live **Independently** in Private Dwellings



50%

Single Detached House



23%

Townhouse, Duplex or Manufactured Home



22%

Apartment or Condo



5%

Assisted Living or Long-term care

	Under 65	65+	65-84	85+
Dementia	<1%	6%	3%	20%
High complexity chronic conditions	1%	19%	17%	35%
Frail in long-term care and end of life	0%	4%	2%	14%



Workshop

How can local government better support seniors aging in their communities?

Facilitator

- Isobel Mackenzie, BC Seniors Advocate

Panelists

- Ross Hayward ADM – Ministry of Health
- Kahir Lalji, Provincial Director - United Way B.C.
- Bob Lapham, CAO – Capital Regional District
- Dale McMann – VP, Operations -BC Housing






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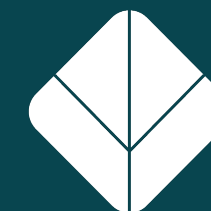
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