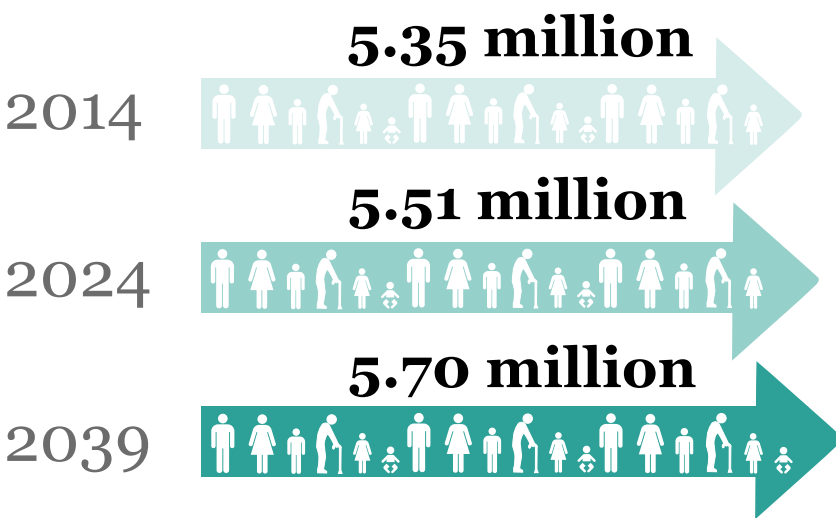




Population projections for Scotland 2014-based

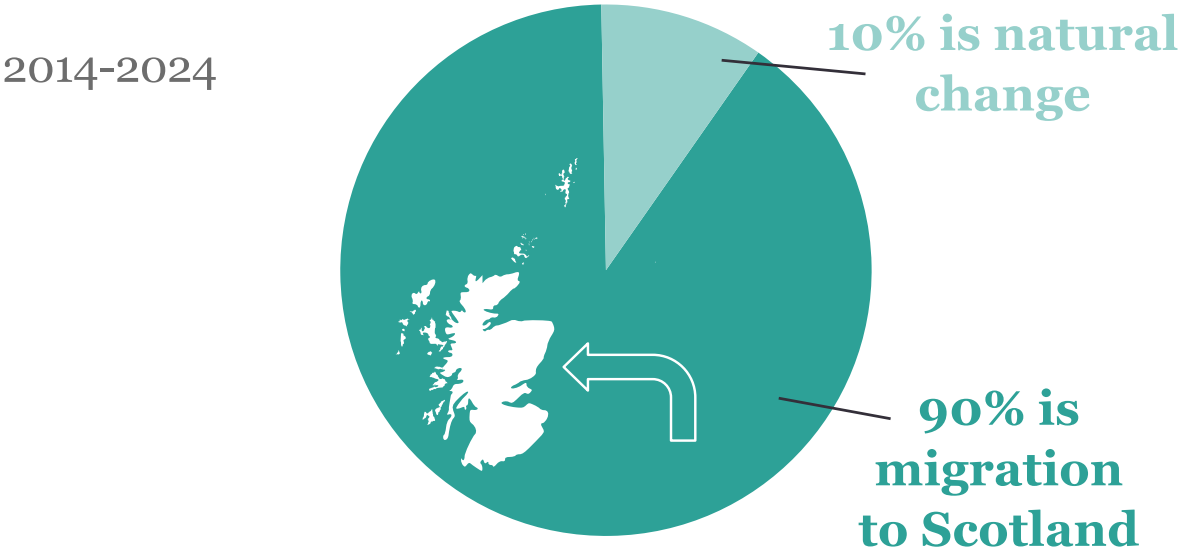
The latest data from the National Records of Scotland (NRS) shows the population of Scotland is projected to rise.

Scotland's population is projected to increase



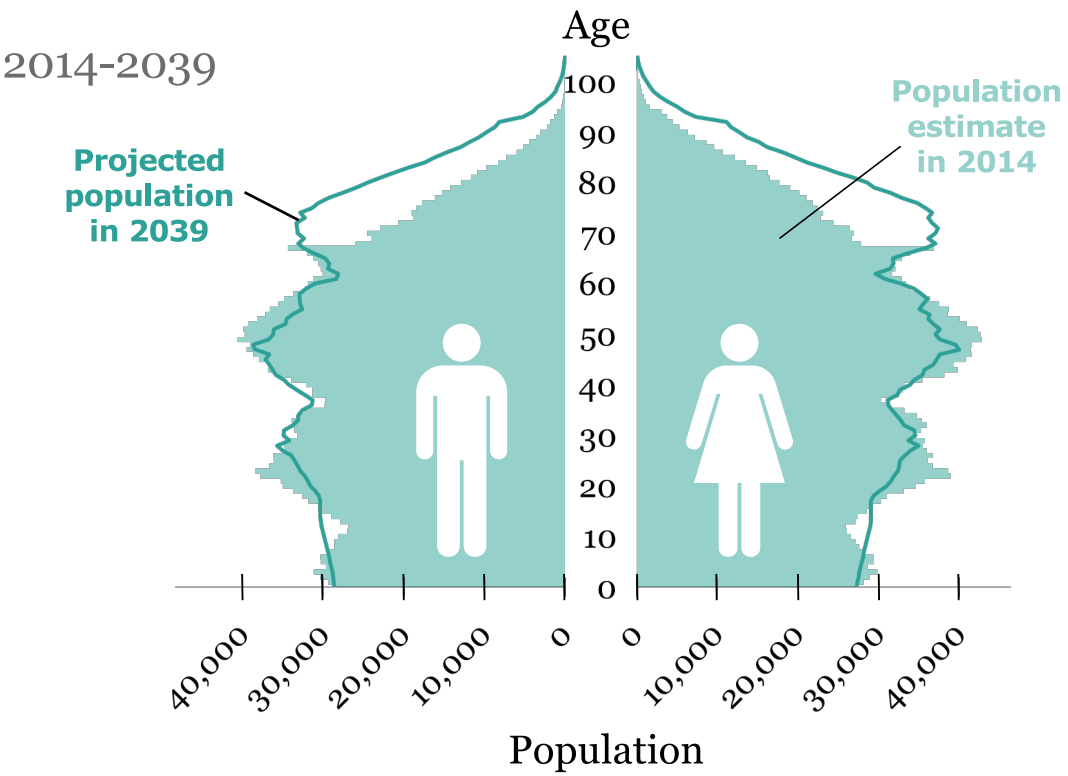
Over the next 10 years Scotland's population is projected to rise by 3% (170,000 people). Over the next 25 years it is projected to rise by 7% (350,000 people).

Why is Scotland's population projected to rise?



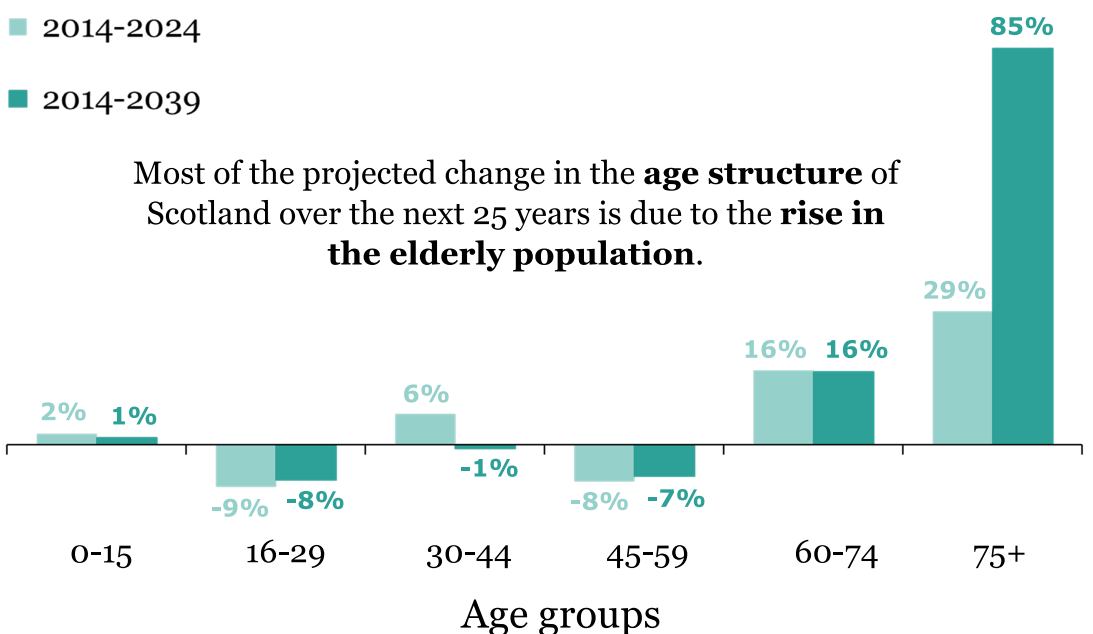
Over the next decade, 90% of the projected population increase is due to migration into Scotland (57% from international migration and 32% from within the UK) and 10% is due to natural change (more births than deaths). Over the next 25 years all of the projected population increase is due to migration.

Scotland's population is ageing



The number of people aged 75 and over is projected to increase by 85% (370,000 people) over 25 years. Meanwhile, the population of working age is projected to increase by 1% (40,000 people) over this period.

The elderly population is growing



Most of the projected change in the **age structure** of Scotland over the next 25 years is due to the **rise in the elderly population**.