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LIFE EXPECTANCY AT AGE 65 – Provisional data
2022-2024

2022-2024 PROVISIONAL ESTIMATE OF LIFE EXPECTANCY AT AGE 65

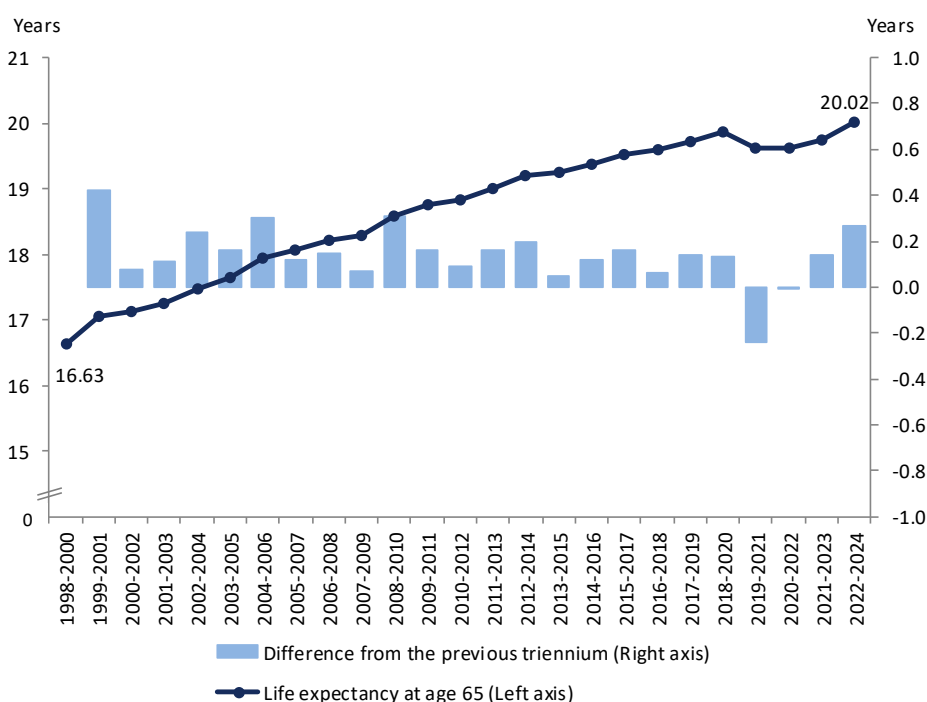
THE PROVISIONAL VALUE OF LIFE EXPECTANCY AT AGE 65 WAS ESTIMATED AT 20.02 YEARS

In the 2022-2024 triennium, the provisional value of life expectancy at age 65 was estimated at 20.02 years, which represents an increase of 0.27 years from the 2021-2023 triennium.

Statistics Portugal publishes today on its website – www.ine.pt – the provisional value of life expectancy at age 65 for the 2022-2024 triennium. Life expectancy at age 65 was estimated at 20.02 years, corresponding to an increase of 0.27 years (3.24 months) compared to the previous triennium (19.75 years in 2021-2023).

In the 2022-2024 triennium, the upward trend in life expectancy at 65 resumed in the previous triennium continued, after the decrease recorded during the years of the COVID-19 disease pandemic (-0.24 and -0.01 years in 2019-2021 and 2020-2022, respectively), when it receded to values lower than those estimated for 2017-2019 (19.73 years).

Figure 1: Life expectancy at age 65 (years), Portugal, 1998-2000 to 2022-2024



Source: Statistics Portugal, Complete life tables for Portugal.

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TECHNICAL NOTE

The provisional estimate of life expectancy at age 65 for 2022-2024 is obtained from the provisional complete life table (age 65 and over) for Portugal (both sexes) for 2022-2024.

The provisional value of life expectancy at age 65, calculated annually by INE, is published in November of each year, according to the Decree-Law No. 187/2007, of May 10th, and amendments and wording given by the Decree -Law No. 167-E/2013, of December 31st, for purposes of determining the normal access age to the old-age pension under the general social security regime and the sustainability factor to be applied to the statutory amount of old-age pensions under the general social security regime.

In calculation of the provisional estimate of life expectancy at age 65 for 2022-2024, the following are considered:

1. Deaths registered in the years 2022 and 2023.
2. The estimated value of deaths in the upper triangle of Lexis in 2024, based on the provisional values of deaths for the months of January to October 2024 registered in the Civil Registry Offices up to 8th November 2024.
3. Provisional resident population estimates for 2022 and 2023 based on the 2021 Census, to obtain the volume of population exposed to the risk of death.

DEFINITIONS

Life expectancy at age 65: Average number of years that a person who reaches the exact age of 65 years can still expect to live, maintaining current age-specific mortality rates.

Detailed methodological information available at: www.ine.pt, option Products, Metadata system.

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