



Dependency of senior citizens on others who may need support themselves in disasters

Many studies have found that older people are more likely to experience physical problems after disasters. Changes in family structure are also a problem, as people become displaced. Older citizens may need housing and other support, which they did not previously. There is an added danger that authorities decide dependent older people can and should continue to be looked after by their carers, whilst in reality, the carers themselves may be struggling to cope. Finally, older people may have difficulties in accessing relief resources due to their psychophysical limitations.

Note: See source document for full reference.

Applicable to:

Stakeholders: [Age-related roles](#), [Livelihoods](#), [Social exclusion](#), [Access and use of infrastructure/services](#)

Disaster Phases: [Recovery](#)

Types of Actors Concerned: [Non-active citizens](#), [Local authorities](#), [Government](#)

Hazards: [Natural hazards](#), [Man-made non-intentional hazards or emergency situations](#), [Man-made intentional hazards](#)

Recommendations:

- [Consider vulnerable groups when designing and implementing disaster response measures](#)

Source

[Deliverable D7.3 "Report on cultural factors and citizen empowerment" \(page 68\)](#)

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