

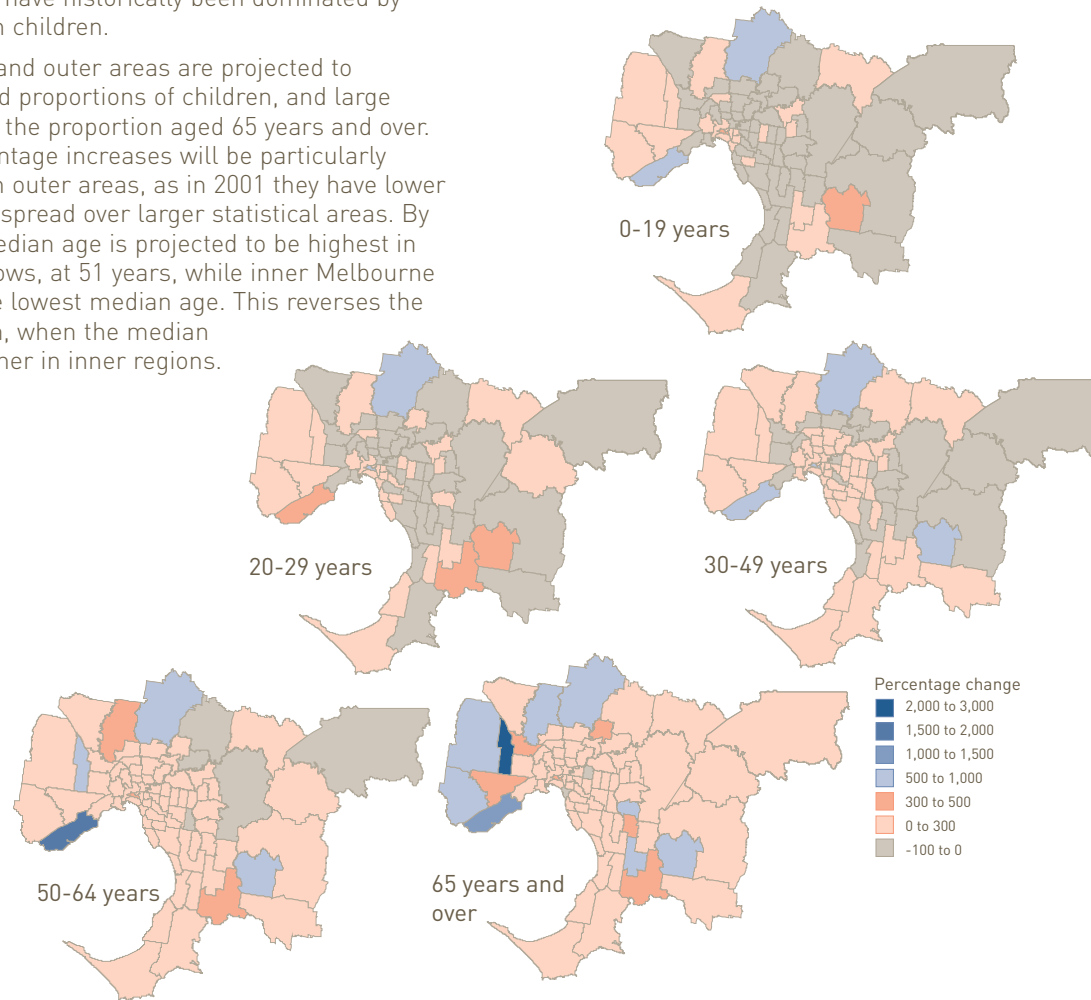
Population futures

Ageing across Melbourne

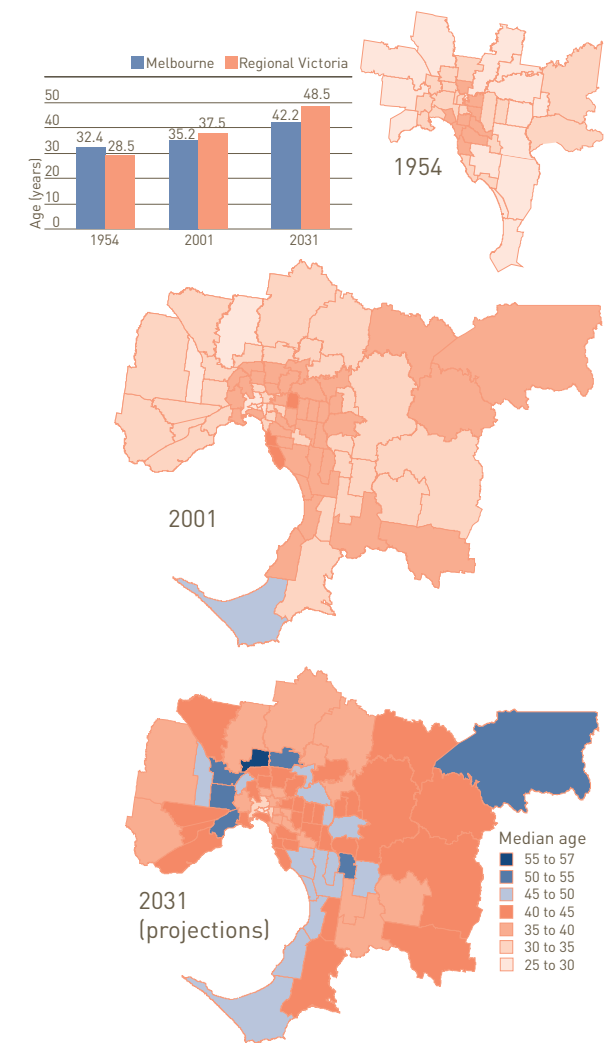
Every area of Melbourne is projected to have a higher proportion of older adults by 2031, even the outer areas which have historically been dominated by families with children.

Many inner and outer areas are projected to have reduced proportions of children, and large increases in the proportion aged 65 years and over. Large percentage increases will be particularly noticeable in outer areas, as in 2001 they have lower populations spread over larger statistical areas. By 2031, the median age is projected to be highest in Broadmeadows, at 51 years, while inner Melbourne will have the lowest median age. This reverses the 1954 pattern, when the median age was higher in inner regions.

1 Percentage change in age groups 2001 to 2031 Statistical Local Areas, 2001



2 Median ages and projected median ages* Statistical Local Areas, 1954, 2001 and 2031



* Medians are estimated from 5-year age groupings. The 1954 areas are local government areas.