

On the Socio-demographic and Medical Drivers of Long-Term Care Needs in Europe

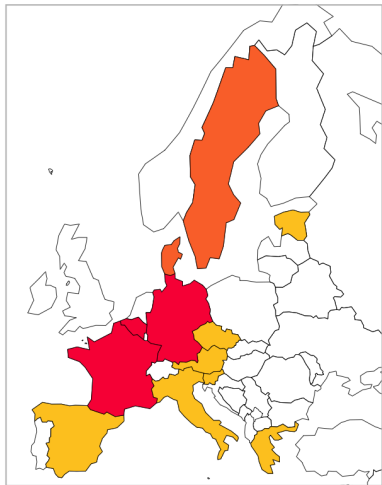
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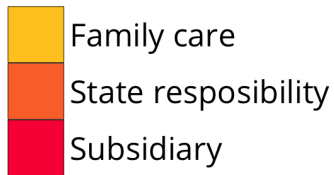
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Should we care?

LTC systems in Europe



Scheme



How needs of LTC can be measured?

Activities of daily living (ADL):



Dressing



Walking



Showering



Eating



Getting in and out of bed



Using a toilet

What aspects can explain the demand of LTC?



Demographical



Behavioral



Social



Mental health-related



Physical health-related

Conjectures

1. ADL limitations increase at higher ages and for women.
2. Having a partner in household and having children decrease functional limitations.
3. Higher education and wealth levels are negatively associated with limitations.
4. Pathology has a strong effect on ADL. Cancer leads to less functional limitations than other diseases.
5. Probability of having limitations with ADL significantly differs across LTC schemes.

Dataset

- Based on SHARE wave 6 (2015)
- Individuals: 26 611 (4 165 dependent, 22 788 autonomus)
- Age: 65-99
- Prevalence rate: ~15%
- 13 countries: Austria, Germany, Sweden, Spain, Italy, France, Denmark, Greece, Switzerland, Belgium, Czech Republic, Slovenia, Estonia

Explanatory variables

- Age: continuous, 65-99.
- Gender: binary, Male/Female.
- BMI: categorical, 5 levels.
- Ever smoked daily: binary, Yes/No.
Restored from Wave 1.
- Country (LTC Scheme group): categorical,
13 (4) levels.

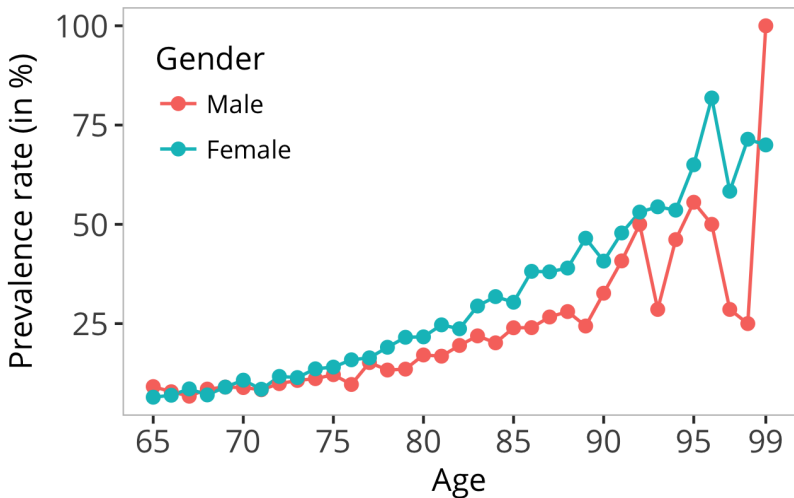
Explanatory variables (cont'd.)

- Partner in household: binary, Yes/No.
- Has any children: binary, Yes/No.
Constructed from the # of children.
- Wealth status: categorical, 4 levels.
Constructed from "how difficult to make ends meet?". Mimic the income.
- Education level: categorical, 3 levels.
Constructed from ISCED-97.

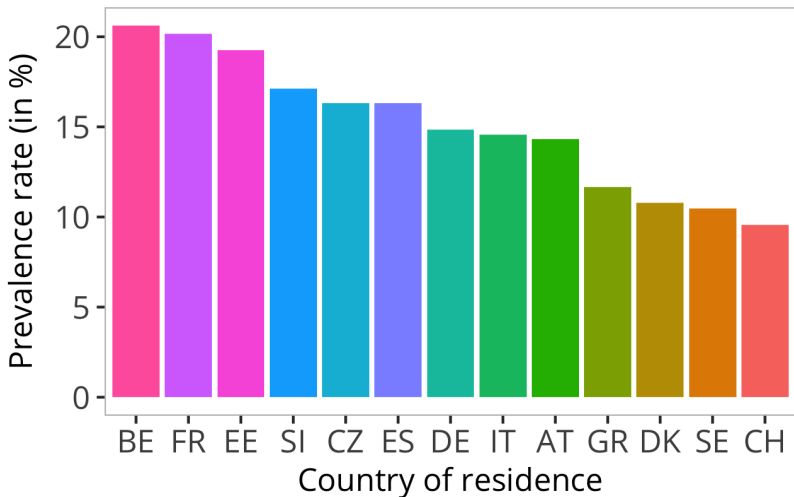
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- **Mental diseases:** binary, Yes/No. Constructed from Alzheimer, dementia and emotional disorders.
- **Parkinson diseases:** binary, Yes/No.
- **Cancer:** binary, Yes/No.
- **Musculoskeletal system diseases:** binary, Yes/No. Constructed from fractures, rheumatoid arthritis, and osteoarthritis.
- **Other physical diseases:** binary, Yes/No. Constructed from heart attack, stroke, diabetes, chronic lung disease, cataracts and chronic kidney.

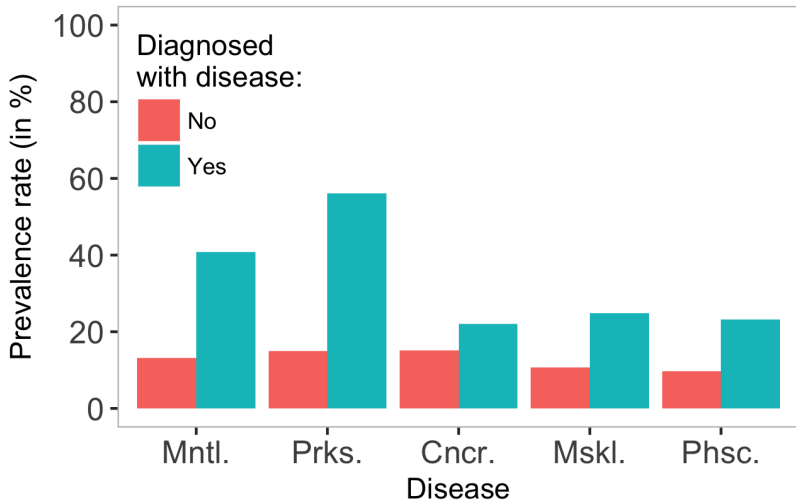
Prevalence rates by age and gender



Prevalence rates by country



Prevalence rates by disease



Model

Logistic regression:

$$\text{logit} \frac{\mathbb{P}(\text{ADL} > 0)}{1 - \mathbb{P}(\text{ADL} > 0)} = \alpha + X\beta,$$

where:

- α, β are an intercept and a vector of regression coefficients
- X is a vector of covariates (age, gender, BMI, ...)

Regression results & discussion

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Partner in household (baseline: No)					
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Extensions, robustness & validation

- Baseline-category logit model with levels: autonomous, mild, moderate, and severe dependent
- Separate regressions for a particular ADL (dressing, walking, etc.)
- Validated by using previous waves (1, 2, 4, and 5) with slightly different countries and the set of variables
- Cross-validated (10 folds)

Research in progress

ADL



Dressing



Walking



Showering



Eating



In/out of bed



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Demand of LTC



Nursing homes

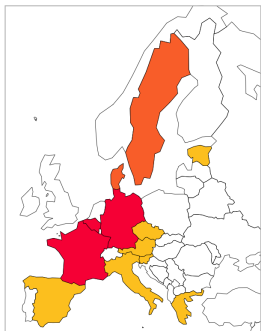


Care at home

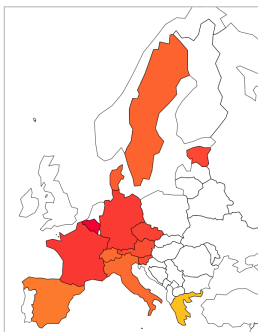
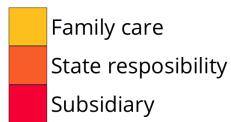


Meals-on-wheels

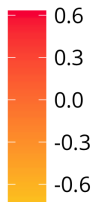
One more thing...



Scheme



Regression coefficients
(controlled by all other
covariates)



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