

# Statistics on Care and Services for Persons with Impairments 2015

**The most common service to persons with impairments younger than 65 years was home help services and living support. At a total of approximately 66,000 were provided with services some time during the year, 60 per cent of these were younger than 45 years.**

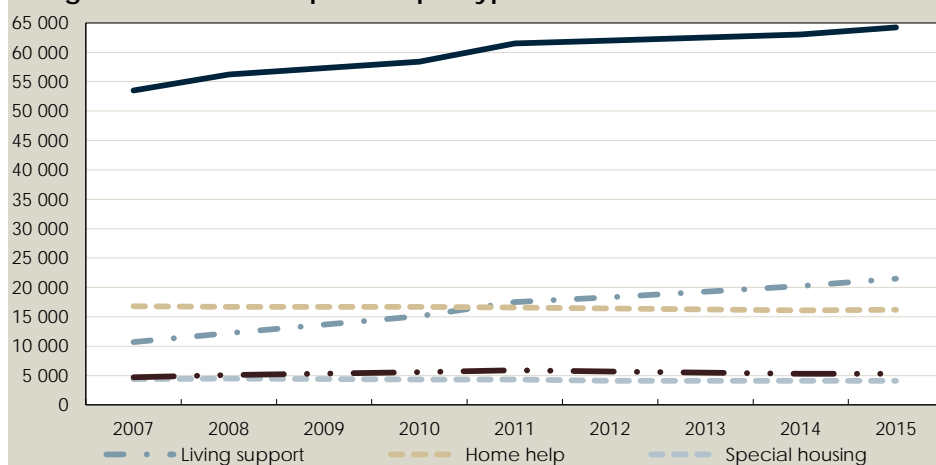
## Municipal services for persons with impairments

Persons with impairments may receive services from the municipality both according to the Social Services Act, which covers the services included in this report, but also from the Act concerning Support and Service for Persons with Certain Functional Impairments (LSS). Services under LSS are presented in another report. Some people have services provided from both Acts and appear in both reports. In this report all persons are younger than 65 years.

## Number of services has increases

Living support was the most common services for persons with impairments. On October 31 2015, a total of 21,500 persons were provided with this type of support. Since 2007 the services has increased with 11 percentage and has since 2011 been the most common service for the persons with impairments. In figure A the percentage of individuals with living support is compared to other services over the years. The total number of services curve is the same as the living support curve.

**Figure A. Number of persons per type of service 2007-2015.**



Source: the registet for care and social services for the elderly and for persons with impariments, National Board of Health and Welfare.

## Living support is the most common service

Living support is clearly the most common service for people between 20 and 44 years. This service is provided to act a support both practical and socially in order to strengthen a person's ability to live independently and work in society. For the youngest and oldest age groups other services are more common such as contact family/person and home help services. For those between 45 and 54 home help service is almost as common as living support. Table A compares the services received by the different age groups.

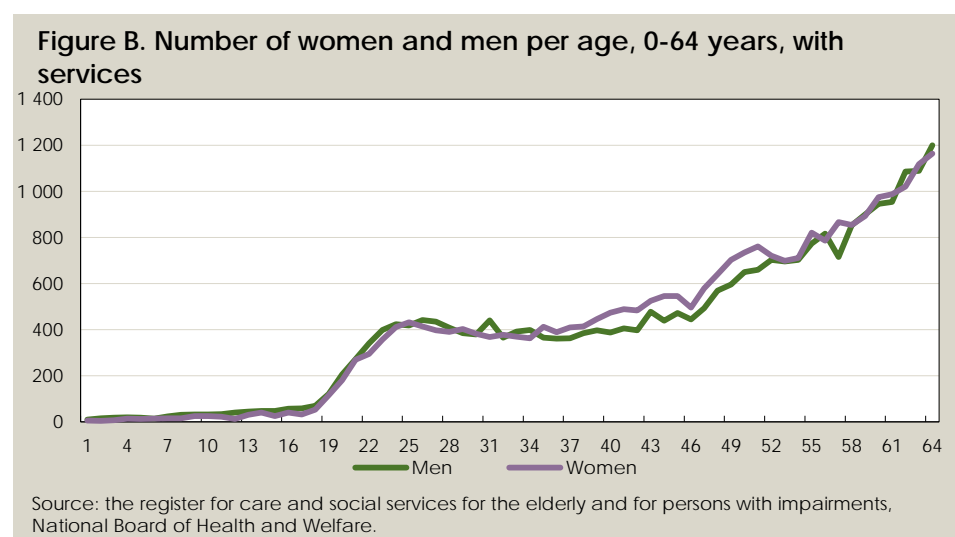
**Table A. The three most common services for each age group**

Age Group	Service 1 (%)	Service 2 (%)	Service 3 (%)
0–19 years	Contact family/person (25)	Relief service (17)	Home help service (16)
20–24 years	Living support (59)	Home help service (9)	Daily activities(8)
25–34 years	Living support (56)	Home help service (12)	Daily activities (10)
35–44 years	Living support (44)	Home help service (18)	Daily activities (10)
45–54 years	Living support (30)	Home help service (23)	Security alarm (13)
55–64 years	Home help service (31)	Security alarm (22)	Living support (16)

Source: the register for care and social services for the elderly and for persons with impairments, National Board of Health and Welfare.

## Equal distribution between genders

Almost as many men as women with impairments under 65 years of age received services, 51 per cent women and 49 per cent men. Figure B shows the number of persons with services per age group.



More men used short term care, special housing and food distribution — 64 per cent for short term care and 59 per cent for the other services. Women use more of the services for security alarm and companion service. In both cases women use 56 per cent of the services.

**More information**

You can find more tables, graphs and information in the following Excel file (in Swedish, but with English list of terms):

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