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## Housing utilisation and downsizing of older Australians

**There is discussion in policy circles and popular media about under-utilisation of housing by older Australians. This includes calls for older people to downsize and release their larger homes into the market for families. Studies using national surveys and in-depth interviews reveal insights into these issues and their potential policy implications.**

### More Information

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### Competitive advantage

- Internationally recognised expertise in housing policy, design and practice
- Strong background combining housing, urban and human behaviour research
- Experience in undertaking policy-relevant research
- Ground-breaking research into housing utilisation and downsizing
- Leadership in international housing research and policy networks
- Demonstrated ability in cross-disciplinary research collaboration and management
- Extensive experience in community engagement and capacity building

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### Impact

- Detailed insights into older people's housing and relocation preferences
- Influence on housing policy and practice via government policy forums and reports
- Membership of government advisory committees on housing and urban renewal

### Successful outcomes

- Major research reports on various aspects of population ageing, housing and urban environments
- Initiating International collaborations on ageing and housing research

### Capabilities and facilities

- Multi-disciplinary research centre team
- Established international network on housing and urban research issues
- Publicly available CityVis online data visualisation and analytics