

# Housing with care can reduce loneliness

On the whole, housing with care residents are less lonely than older people living in the wider community.

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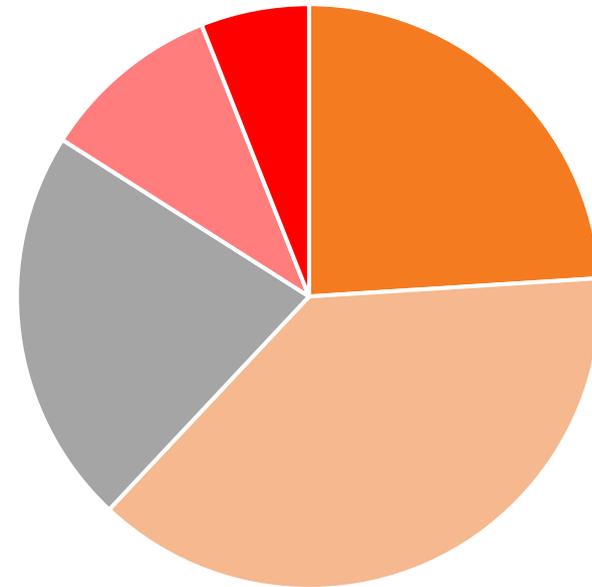
# Housing with care can promote social inclusion

62% of residents feel there are positive opportunities to socialise in their schemes.

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My housing setting offers many positive opportunities to socialise with other residents



■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

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# Is housing with care inclusive for minorities?

Most residents from social minorities feel valued and included, but many anticipate or have experienced discrimination.

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“I got rather annoyed with a couple of people who actually were very homophobic... I was very disappointed with some of the people's attitudes.”

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“They just look upon me as [his name] now rather than ‘the gay one’, you know, so I think that’s an improvement.”

*Resident (73 years, male, gay, retirement living scheme)*

“I feel that I’m not complete here, because I seem to be like the only gay in the village, or that I know of... It would just be nice if we could have more diversity in the scheme.”

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# Sources of discrimination in housing with care

1 in 8 residents have seen discrimination from other residents, which is more than twice as common as discrimination from staff.

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## Have you seen discrimination...

### ... from staff?



### ... from residents?



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## How can social inclusion in housing with care be supported?

- Supportive neighbour relations
- On-site staff presence
- Inclusion with the local area
- Listening to the views of residents
- Inclusive and age-friendly design
- Adequate digital infrastructure
- A supportive policy environment.