

# International Database on Longevity

## Belgium – Metadata

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### List of individuals dead at age 110 and over

**Vital status:** Dead

**Number of validated observations:** 40

**IDL public variables:**

- **Sex:** men and women
- **Locality of birth:** Belgium
- **Date of birth:** 1878 to 1912
- **Locality of death:** Belgium
- **Date of death:** 1990 to 2023
- **Validation:** exhaustive
- **Source - Institute:**

### List of individuals dead at age 105-109

**Vital status:** Dead

**Number of validated observations:** 1430

**IDL public variables:**

- **Sex:** men and women
- **Locality of birth:** Belgium and abroad
- **Date of birth:** 1870 to 1919
- **Locality of death:** Belgium
- **Date of death:** 1977 to 2024
- **Validation:** exhaustive
- **Source - Institute:**

### Source of the data:

Registre National

The *Registre National* is a centralized and computerized population register held by all Belgian municipalities and the Ministry of Interior. Since 1985 this register replaces officially the numerous population registers held on manual base in all the 589 Belgian municipalities although it was set up progressively, starting in 1968. The *Registre National* records all demographic events related to a given person (birth, marriages, divorces, migrations, addresses, changes in citizenship, death, etc.). It is continuously updated and systematically checked and corrected if needed. Its reliability is judged excellent for vital events (birth, marriages, divorces and death) as well as for change in citizenship. For migration and

household composition, information may include some errors but these errors do not affect more than 5% of the population.

### **Age validation process:**

All cases have been extracted on an exhaustive base from the *Registre National* (Belgium). In this register, all the dates of vital events which occurred in Belgium were checked. Conversely the dates of birth of those born abroad were not checked. Therefore, several alleged supercentenarians born abroad were not included in the attached list. Some cases, corresponding to individuals, administratively surviving above 105 according to the *Registre National*, were also excluded because of the existence of some information mentioning their death with or without information on the exact date.

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