The Economy's Silver Lining

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Introducing N8 and the Research Programme.....

N8 research partnership

- A partnership of the eight research intensive universities in the North of England
- Origins lie in support from 3 RDA
- With the capacity to make a difference
- Achieve more through working together
- Work in Sciences and (this project) Social Sciences
- The research example the economic implications of demographic change in northern functional economies
 - A major challenge
 - Issue is multi-faceted
 - Response multi-institutional
 - Economic effects could be positive or negative

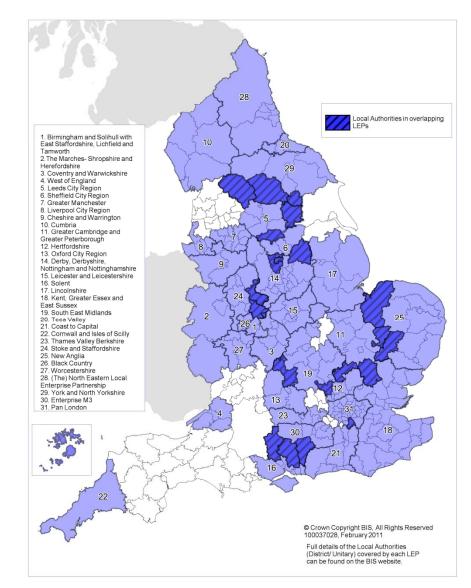
Context to the research.....

Economic conditions

- Austerity
- Employment, unemployment
- Constrained growth
 Demographic transitions
 - Ageing
 - Migration

Policy directions and institutional change

- Rebalancing
- Big Society
- Localism and Local Enterprise Partnerships



Diverse prospects for diverse economies: declining labour force....

Code	Name	TRENDEF age pop	•	Time Series	UPTAPER age pop	U	Time Series
		2011	2036	2036	2011	2036	2036
LEP1	Greater Manchester	1,170	1,120	95.7	1,153	1,052	91.2
LEP2	Liverpool City Region	635	559	88.2	630	545	86.5
LEP3	Leeds City Region	1,363	1,391	102.1	1,345	1,313	97.6
LEP4	Sheffield City Region	823	801	97.3	814	768	94.3
LEP5	Cheshire and Warrington	415	398	96.1	411	381	92.9
LEP6	Tees Valley	320	299	93.4	316	287	90.7
LEP7	Cumbria	243	250	102.8	239	233	97.3
LEP8	Hull City Region	473	458	96.9	468	446	95.2
LEP9	North Yorkshire	282	298	105.9	277	274	98.9
LEP10	North East	922	939	101.8	909	877	96.5
LEP11	Lancashire	712	719	101.0	702	681	96.9
LEP3a	Leeds City Region	1,130	1,157	102.5	1,114	1,090	97.9
LEP4a	Sheffield City Region	591	567	95.9	584	546	93.4
Totals	Northern England	6,891	6,764	95.9	6,804	6,411	93.4

Table: Projected labour force, 2011 and 2036 (defined as 18-60/65 Note: Populations are in 1000s. The time series starts at 2011 = 100. Constant labour force participation rates by age and sex applied from 2001

Key issues in accordance with Work Strand

The impact of demographic change on:

the stock of businesses,

new firm formation rates,

- the profile of businesses by demographic group, sector (SIC where possible), location and other factors that might emerge,
- the needs of businesses shaped or affected by demographic change,
- the ways these trends and impacts have a differential effect on the North of England compared with other parts of the UK,
- how these trends and impacts are spatially differentiated especially on key economic units (regions and city regions) within the North,
- The policy implications especially in the light of the Coalition government's priorities for business support and regeneration

Images and Realities

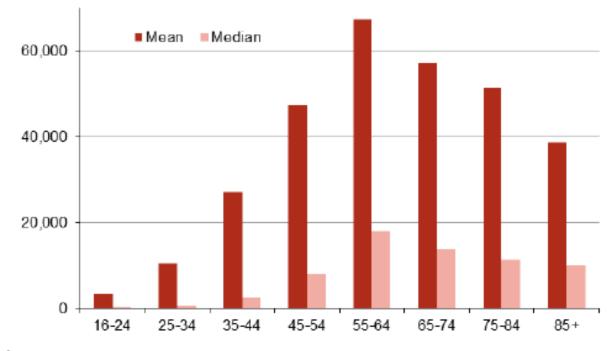


The Silver Market

- 25% of the population control 75% of the wealth
 - In the North 4 million people in the age range 50-74 with a annual discretionary purchasing power (after taxes, mortgages or rents) of over £1.5bn annually with the younger (50-64) age group accounting for over 70% of that spend.
 - The biggest purchases of toys, non-business travel, personal services.
 - They spend more per capita on food and drink.
 - They are the heaviest users of museums and galleries and the theatre.
 - They have more leisure time.
 - They eat out more often and are the fastest growing users of computers and new information technologies.
 - Spend more on cars and household electricals

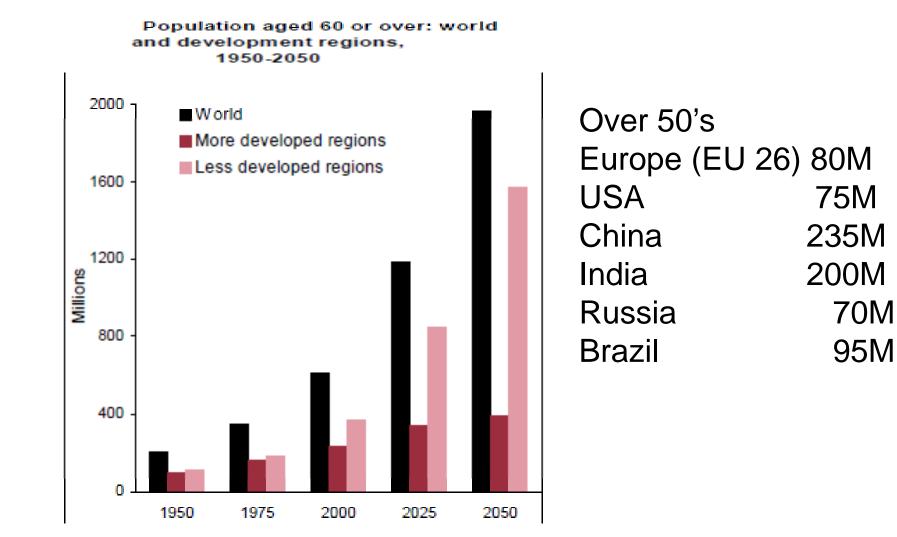
The Silver Market – The UK

Distribution of net household financial wealth¹: by age of household head, 2006/08



¹Results exclude households with zero net financial wealth. Source: Wealth and Assets Survey, Office for National Statistics (Click-use graphs) © Crown copyright 2009

A Silver World



Silver Entrepreneurs

- strong association between holding a managerial occupation
- By a slight margin more self-employed women had a degree than self-employed males, and self-employed women had more education than wage- and salary-earning women,
- A high proportion of the self-employed women (over 30%) were "returners"
- More older women who were self-employed had a background in the public sector than men (28% against 12%).
- The range of businesses operated by self-employed women is narrower than those operated by all older self-employed in the North.

Concentrated:

Rural

Golden Triangles

The entrepreneurship challenge....

More entrepreneurship in older age across the UK

North-South divergence in older age groups

Some sectoral differences....

% of Economically Active who are Self-Employed						
	2002 2009					
England						
16-19	2	2				
20-24	4	4				
25-34	10	9				
35-49	13	14				
50-64	17	18				
65+	33	35				
Northern						
Regions						
16-19	2	2				
20-24	4	5				
25-34	9	9				
35-49	11	12				
50-64	14	16				
65+	21	29				

New demands in an ageing population

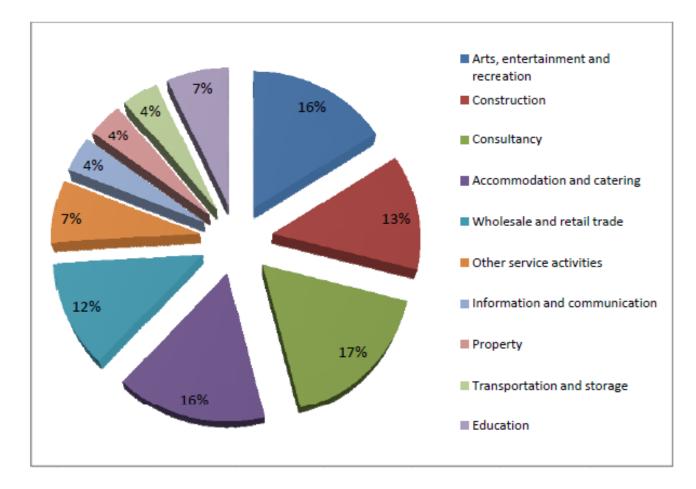
Markets		Products
Lifestyle and quality of life	Products and services targeted on self-actualisation, health and leisure	Tourism, leisure, retail, Housing & accommodation, catering, personal services, Arts, entertainment, recreation, travel Clothing, cosmetics and other targeted products
Personal development	Filling gaps in opportunities, experiences and skills	Formal and community education Information and related technologies Health, fitness, nutrition and medicines
Assisted living	Electronic and physical devices and personal services to enable independence and ongoing active lifestyles	Personal alarms, home robots Smart metering and touch technologies Call centres, resource centres, book and reading Groups Rehabilitative Technologies and services, Electronic readers, wireless smart pillbox Cleaning services, respite services, live in carers, hairdressing Advisory services, emergency numbers
High Intervention Personal Care	Older couples Community care Older disabled	Support equipment Bone Mineral Measurement Rehabilitation Engineering Low wear hip, shoulder, knee replacement and related materials technologies Heart valve transplants
Medical Interventions	The very old Seriously disabled	Heart valve transplants Geriatric services Critical Care Physics Services for dignity

Silver Entrepreneurs – More on Why

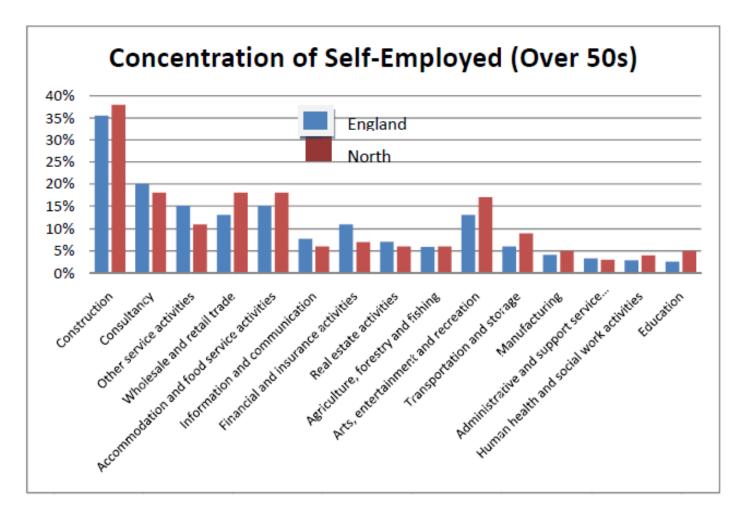
Age	You Started Because You Came Across an Opportunity	You Started Because of Necessity
North		
50 to 64	66	24
65+	38	35
EU		
40-54	57.4	27.4
55+	48.9	34.9

	Star	Start-up		Self Employment		Active Enterprises	
50+	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	
The constrained entrepreneur	18	19	20	20	25	24	
The rational entrepreneur	12		10	25	22	24	
The reluctant entrepreneur	53	19	45	15	20	10	
The lifestyle entrepreneur	12	35	17	37	28	37	
N/A	5	2	8	3	5	5	

Silver Entrepreneurs - What



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Source: Department of Business, Innovation and Skills 2010

Silver Entrepreneurs - What

Ambition

Younger founders	Low growth	79
	High growth	88
Older founders	Low growth	70
	High growth	85

Importance of Innovation

		Founders' age			
	All ages	Under 50	Over 50		
All business	45	49	30		
High growth	61	62	58		
Low growth	43	49	30		

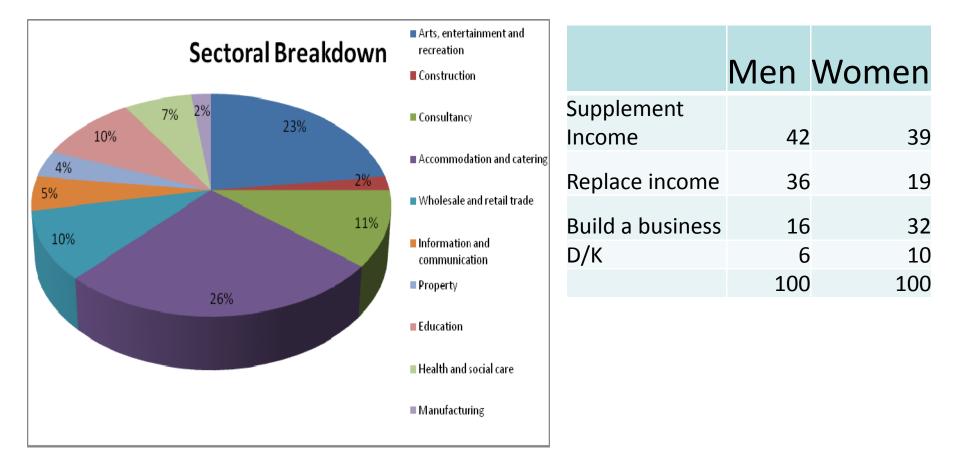
Note: i) Estimated by weighting the survey results by the population of businesses in the high growth/low growth categories by age of founder. ii) The difference between those under and over 50 in the Low Growth businesses is statistically significant.



The grey economy How third age entrepreneurs are contributing to growth

Gender differences in motivation and sector.....

Entrepreneurship amongst women more concentrated Motivation different



Silver Entrepreneurs - Where

Opportunities for new/small businesses and existing/large businesses

Lifestyle and quality of life

life enhancement

Assisted Living

Opportunities for existing/larger firms predominate

Opportunities for new/small businesses predominate

High Intervention Personal Care

Medical interventions

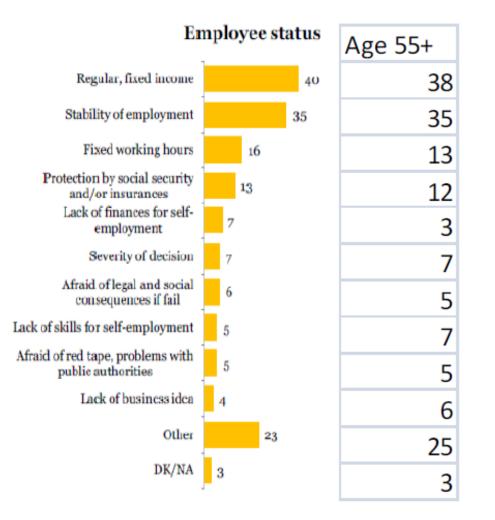
Low Cost of Entry, Existing or Close to market technologies

High Cost of Entry andor distant from market technologies

Silver Entrepreneurs - Where

	"Spotted An Opportunity"	"Had No Choice"	Other	Total
	Number	Number	Number	
Calderdale	19	16	12	47
Stockport	13	11	12	36
Knowsley	4	11	6	21
Halton	3	6	7	16
Tyneside	3	9	6	18

Silver Entrepreneurs – Barriers?



Silver Futures

- Recognition and prioritisation of the extent of change and the scale of the opportunity
- Recognise diversity
- Better co-ordination of existing resources, rather than new resources, is crucial
- Particular opportunities exist for newly formed firms including those by the "over 50s" in the lifestyle and quality of life, life enhancement and assisted living markets
- The restructuring of the public sector presents real opportunities but there are major barriers to capitalising on these opportunities
- There important gaps in the evidence base

N8 Research Partnership.....

A strategic partnership of the eight most research-intensive universities in the North of England:

Durham	Manchester	Lancaster	Newcastle
Leeds	Sheffield	Liverpool	York

Arthritis diagnosis and

Low wear hip replacement and

Encouraging innovation of global significance through collaboration

researc	h and	l deve	lopment.
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University	Focus and/or Unit	treatment	related materials technologies
oniversity	Centre for Ageing Research Institute of Medical	Assistive technology	Microvascular Measurement
Lancaster		Bioengineering	Musculoskeletal Science
		Bone Mineral Measurement	Rehabilitation and Assistive
Leeds	and Biological Engineering	Critical Care Physics	Technology
	Institute for Ageing	Devices for Dignity	Rehabilitation Engineering Mobility Service
Liverpool	and Chronic Disease	Electronic assistive technologies	Signal processing and sensors
Manchester	Geriatric Psychiatry	Eye and Vision Science	Speech-controlled
Newcastle & Durham	Institute for Ageing and Health	Geriatric psychiatry	Environmental Control Systems
Dumam	Rehabilitation and	Heart valve transplants	Spinal disk replacement
Sheffield	Assistive Technology Research Group	Treatment of inflammatory rheumatologic diseases	The treatment of amyloid- related diseases
	Ageing Society Research Network	Joint replacement and	Tissue engineering
York		biotribology	Usable Home Technologies
		Knee joint replacement	-

Thanks for Listening

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