# THE OCCUPANCY REPORT MAY 2025

#### What is ALIS 500?

- ALIS 500 is a **benchmark dataset**of 500 Assisted Living communities, carefully
  curated to represent various geographies, markets,
  community sizes, and portfolio sizes across the US.
- Reports generated based on ALIS 500 data offer insights about care practices, resident outcomes, and operational benchmarks in Assisted Living.
- Decision makers can use ALIS 500 Reports to stay up-to-date on important KPIs in Assisted Living and track national industry trends.

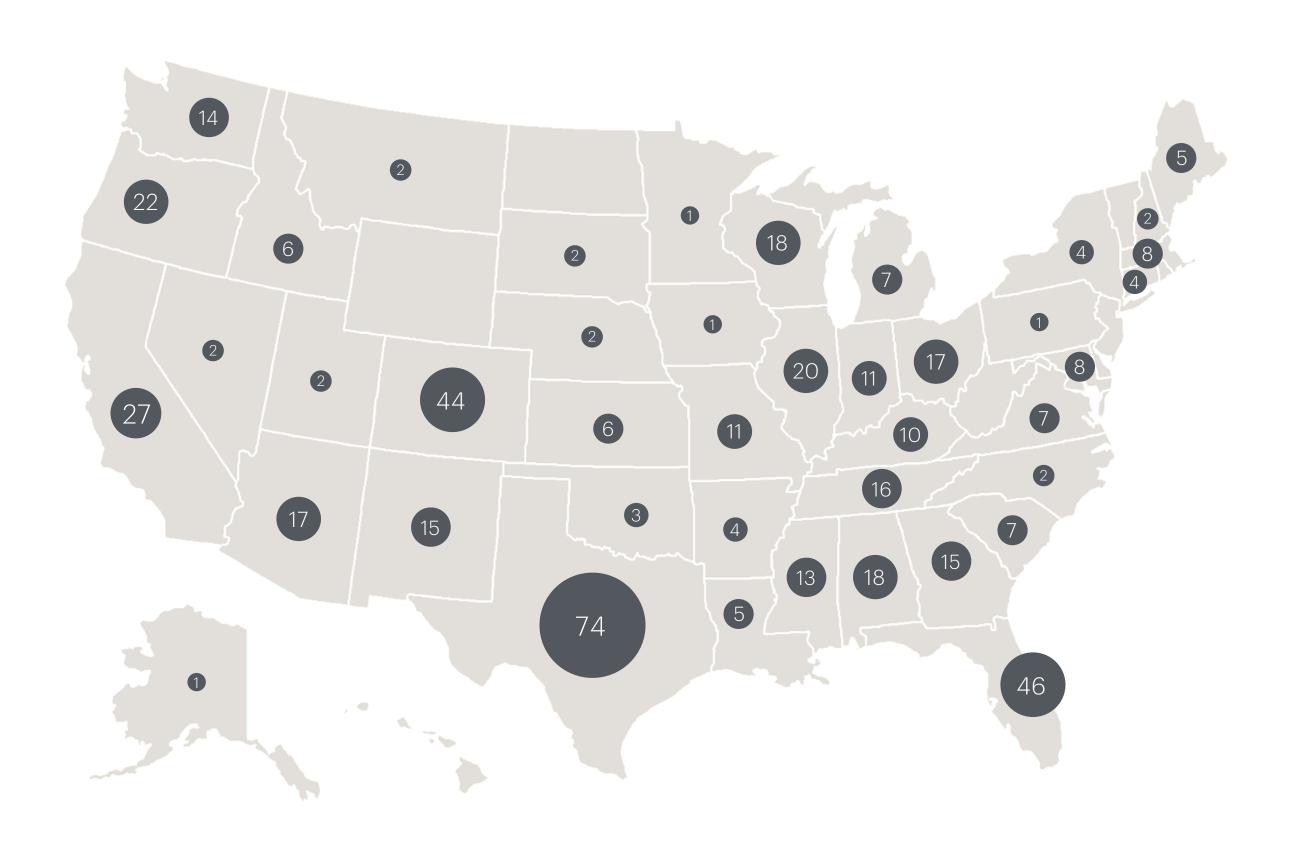
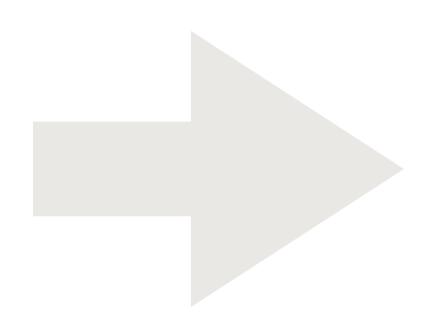


Figure 1. Geographical distribution of ALIS 500 communities

# Questions Answered In This Report



## Who are the occupants?

- What is the average **age** of residents in long-term care communities?
- What is the **female-to-male ratio** in these communities?
- What percentage of residents require **memory care** services?

# How long do they stay?

- What is the average and median **Length of Stay (LOS)**?
- What is an **LOS Tree**?
- What percentage of residents move out within 90 days of moving in?
- What does the data say about **occupancy** rates at LT care communities?

# Why do they move out?

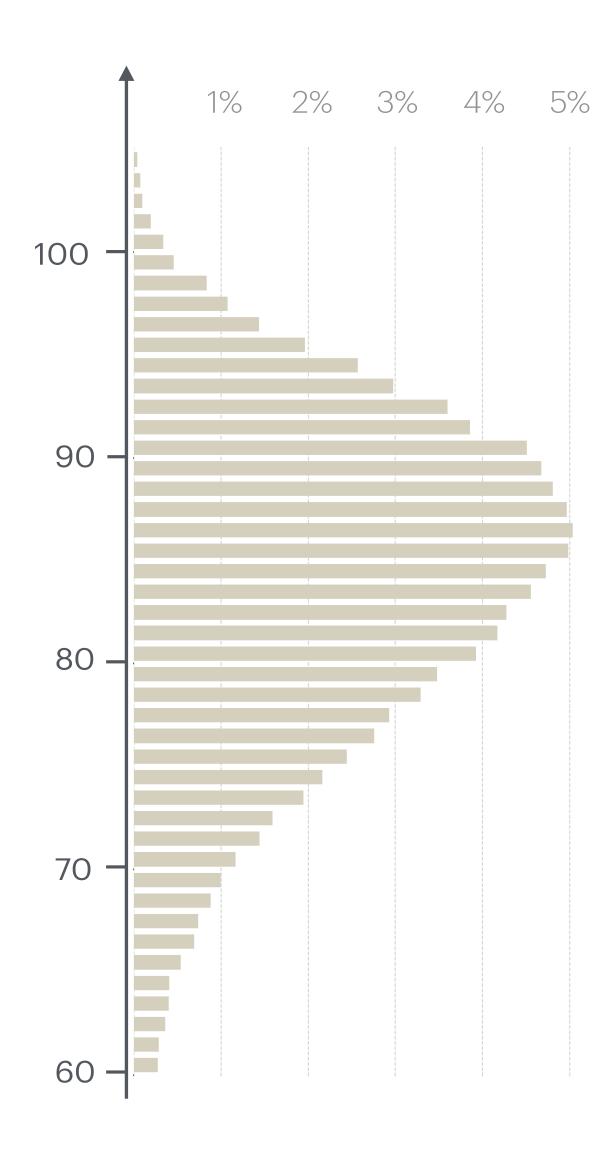
What are the main **move-out reasons**?

#### Resident demographics

- The average age of residents in senior living communities is **83.4** years.
- 24% of residents are 90 years of age or older at the time of admission;
  46% are between 80 and 90 years old;
  23% are between 70 and 80 years old;
  7% are 70 years old or younger.
- **34%** of residents have dementia, Alzheimer's, or other conditions that require them to use memory care (MC) services.
- Some estimates place the **female-to-male ratio** in Assisted Living as high as 7:1\*

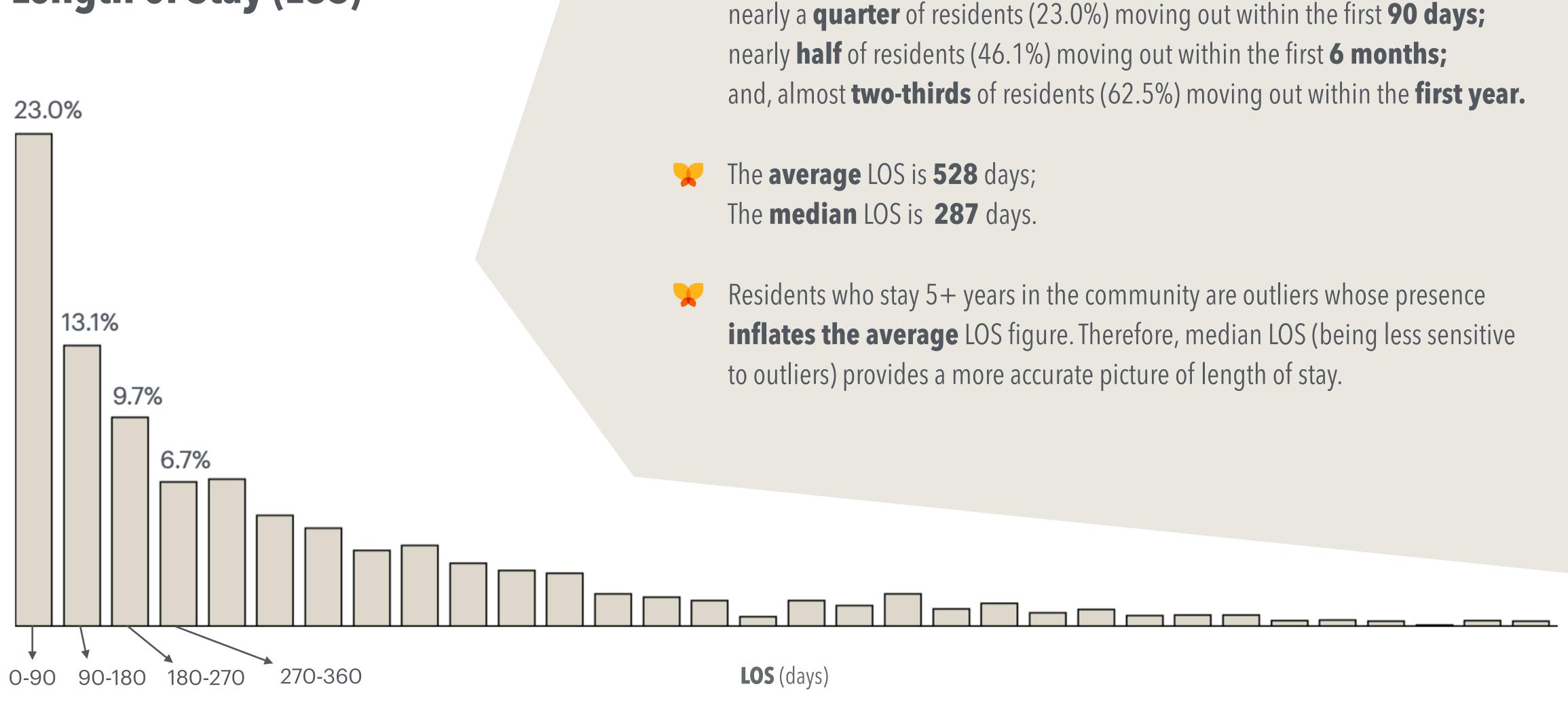
  Our data indicates a significantly lower **2:1** ratio, likely providing a more accurate demographic picture considering the extensive and representative nature of the ALIS 500 dataset.

**Figure 2.** Histogram distribution of age at admission (in years) of ALIS 500 residents



<sup>\*</sup> https://www.asccare.com/assisted-living-statistics-a-deeper-dive-into-the-demographics/

### Length of Stay (LOS)



LOS follows an exponentially decaying pattern, with:

Figure 3. Histogram distribution of Length of Stay (LOS) across all ALIS 500 communities in Q1′ 2025.

#### The LOS tree

An "LOS Tree"

is a novel visual
representation
of LOS data at the
community level.

Each dot represents a moved-out resident, with the dot's height indicating their Length of Stay measured in years.

Plotted this way, the data naturally forms a structure resembling a **pine tree** with a wide base and a tapering top.

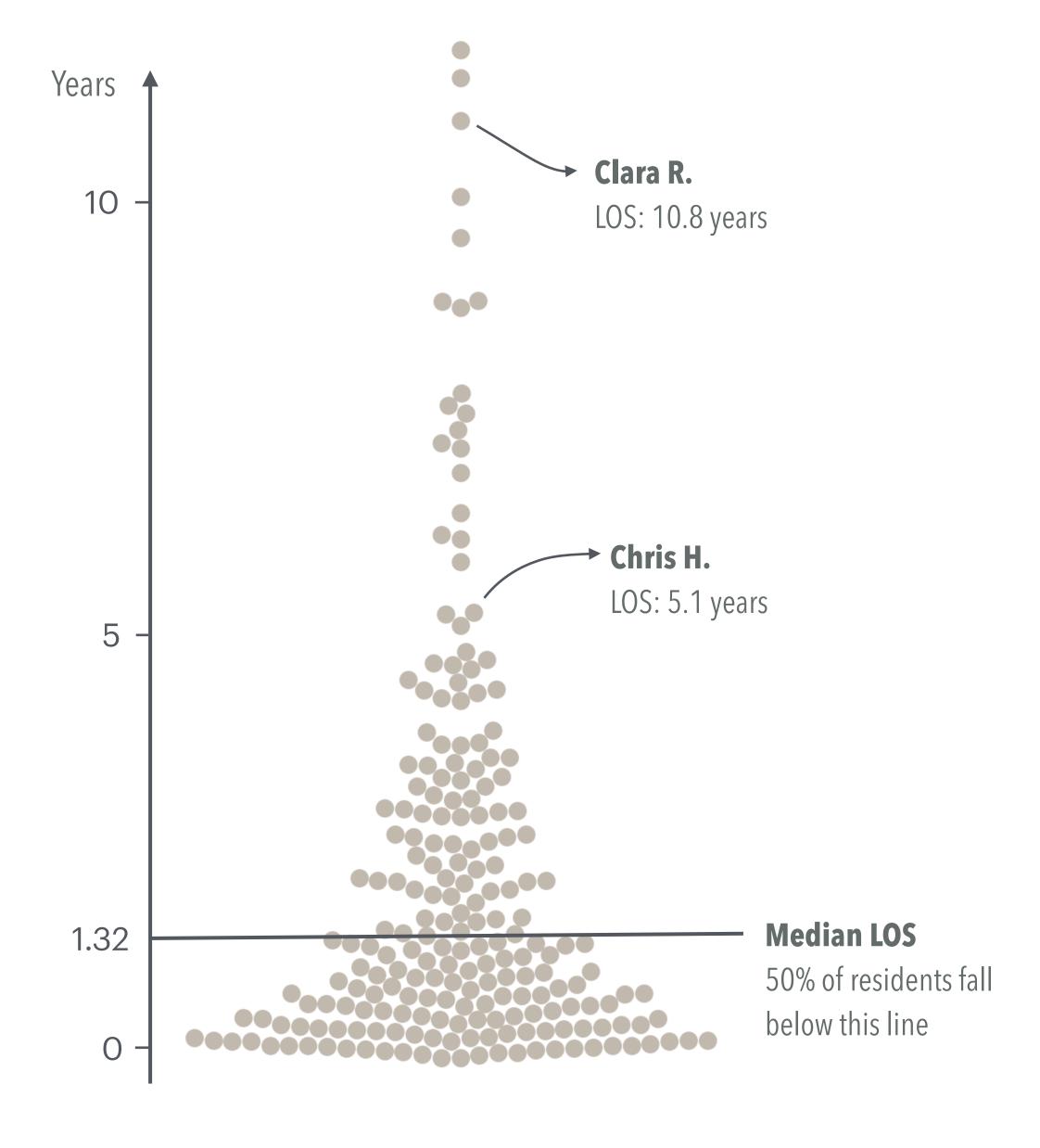
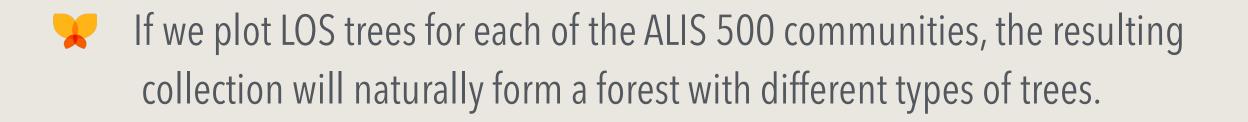


Figure 4. The LOS tree of one of ALIS 500 communities.



As a general rule, taller trees with a narrower base are more desirable, as they represent communities where residents tend to have longer lengths of stay.

**Short & wide trees:** 

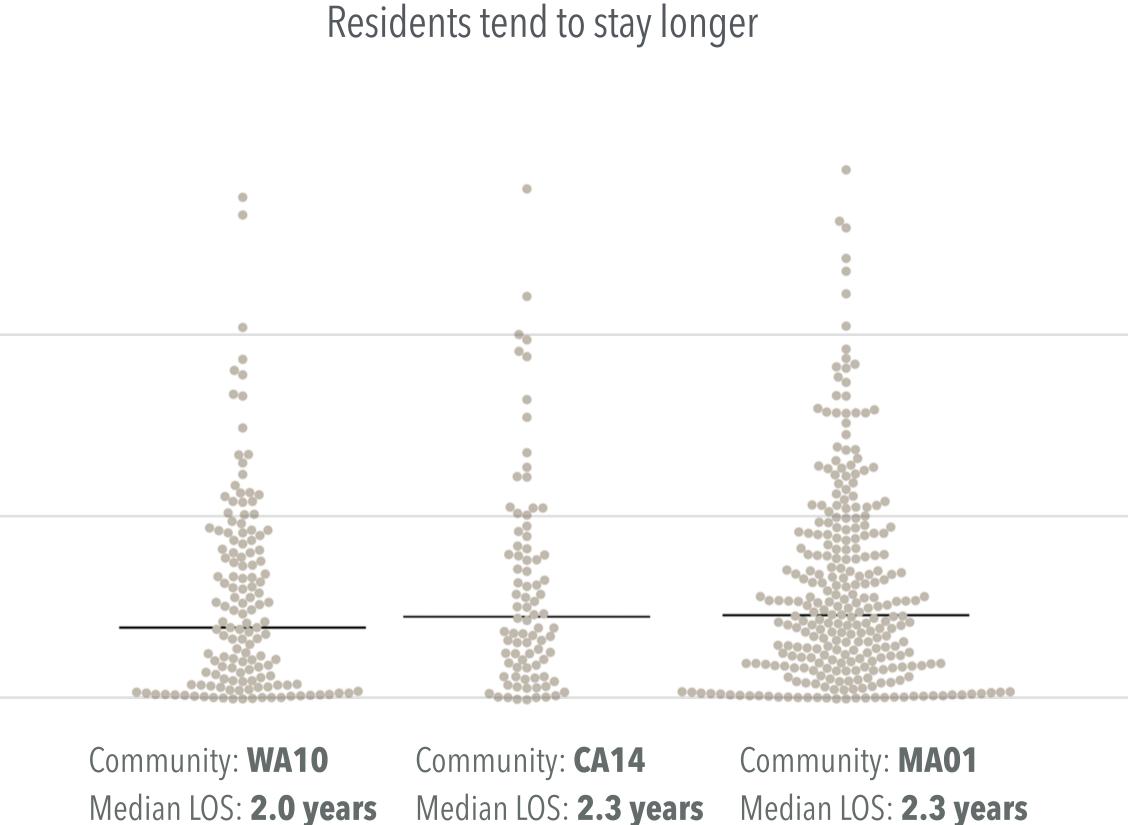
Many residents move out early

Community: **TX22** 

Median LOS: 136 days

Community: **AZ08** 

Median LOS: **60 days** 



**Tall & narrow trees:** 

Figure 5. Three low-performing (left) and three high-performing (right) ALIS 500 communities.

Community: **AZO3** 

Median LOS: 138 days

Years 4

### The relationship between LOS and occupancy

- Length of Stay (LOS) and occupancy are not correlated, meaning that knowing one doesn't reliably predict the other. Therefore, both metrics are crucial for a complete understanding of a community's financial well-being.
- Depending on occupancy and LOS numbers, Assisted Living communities fall into one of four quadrants:
- Top-right quadrant: the best of both worlds!
- Top-left quadrant: strong resident retention but challenges in attracting new residents.
- Bottom-right quadrant: consistent resident turnover but successful at quickly filling vacancies.
- Bottom-left quadrant: facing difficulties in both attracting and retaining residents.

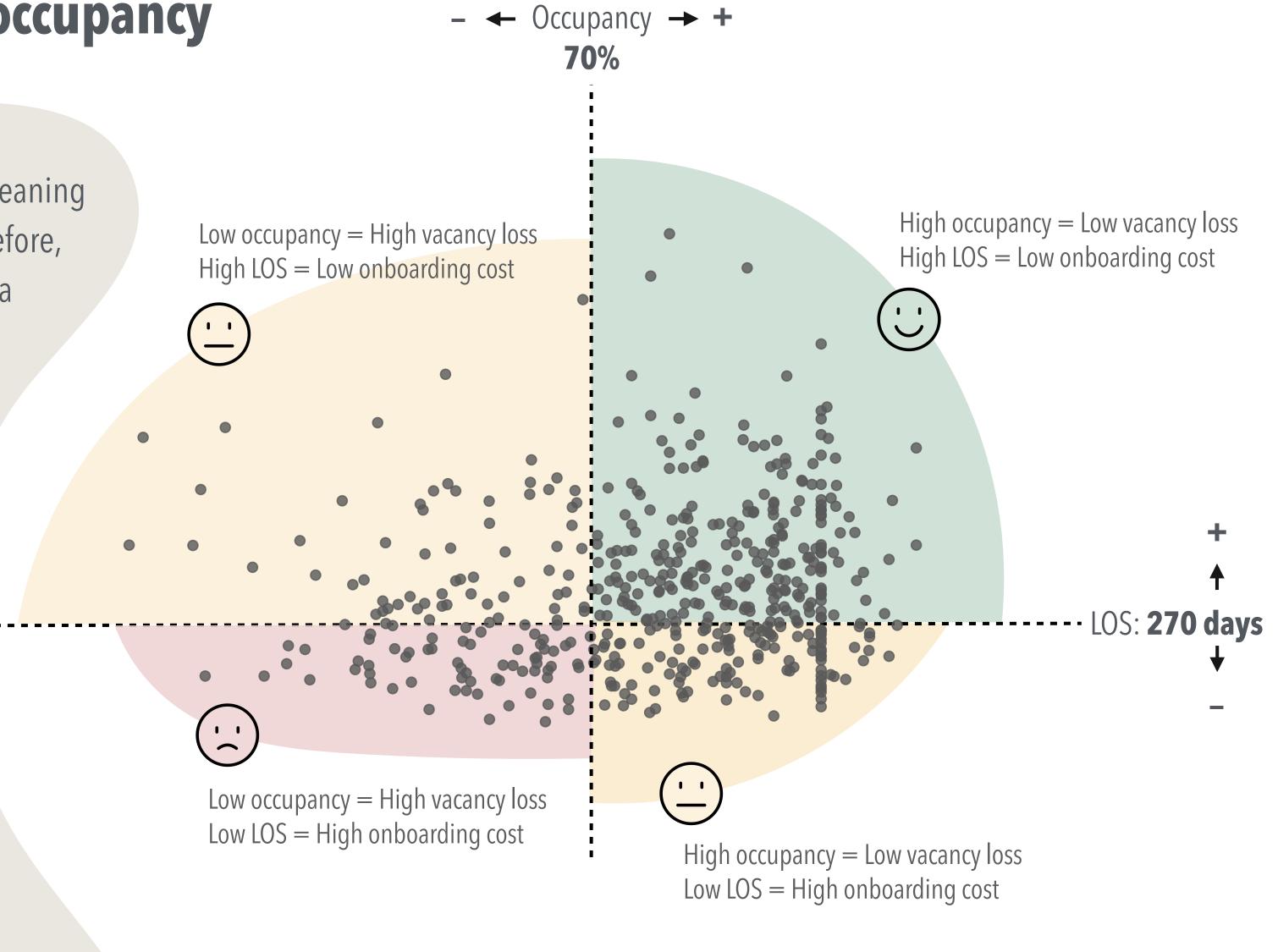
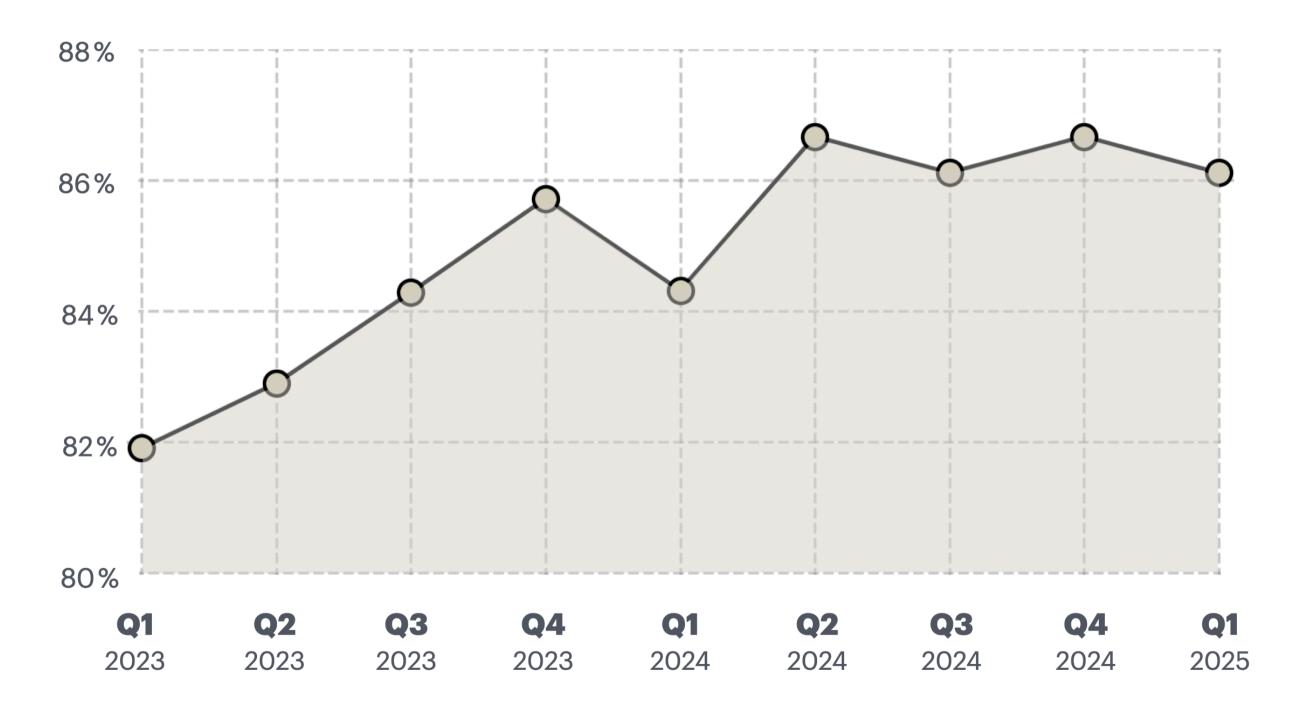


Figure 6. The scatter plot of occupancy vs. LOS; Each dot represents an ALIS 500 community.

#### Occupancy trends

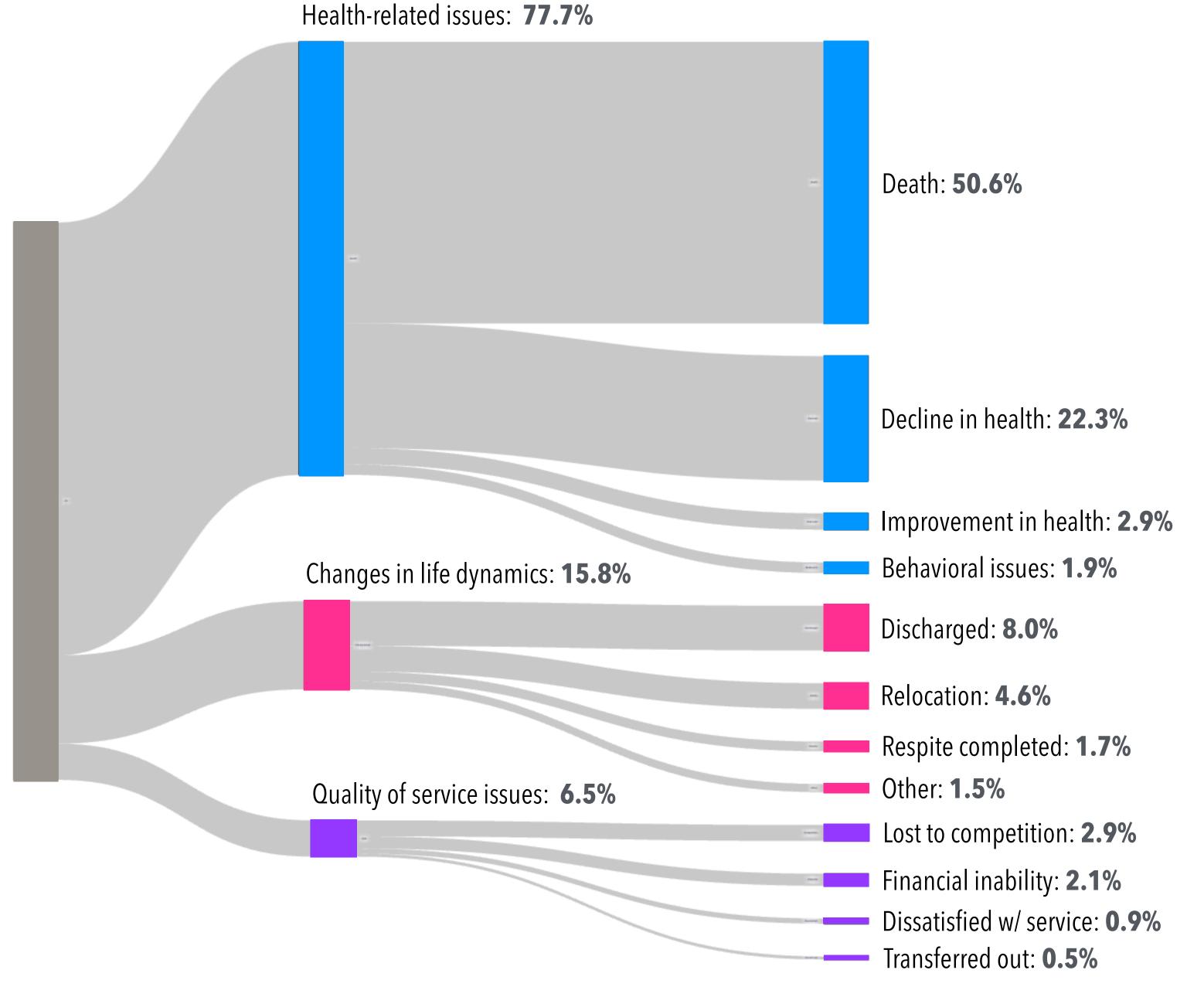
- The median occupancy rate of ALIS 500 communities in Q1' 2025 was **86%**
- 40% of communities had >90% occupancy (*excellent*);
   36% had 70% 90% occupancy (*good*);
   14% had 50% 70% occupancy (*moderate*);
   10% had <50% occupancy (*poor*).
- The post-Covid recovery in occupancy rates has reached a stable point, hovering around 86% for the past 4 consecutive quarters.



**Figure 7.** The median occupancy rates of ALIS 500 communities over time.

#### **Move-out reasons**

- We analyzed move-out reasons for over **30,000 residents** of ALIS 500 who moved out in recent years (2023 onwards)
- Half of all move-outs were due to death.
- A quarter of all move-outs were due to decline in health or behavioral issues.



**Figure 8.** Move-out reasons among residents of ALIS 500 communities.

# Recap

# Who are the occupants?

- What is the average age of residents in long-term care communities? 83.4 years
- What is the female-to-male ratio in these communities? 2:1
- What percentage of residents require memory care services? **34%**

# How long do they stay?

- What is the average and median Length of Stay (LOS)? 528 and 287 days, respectively
- What is an LOS Tree? A novel visual representation of LOS data
- What percentage of residents move out within 90 days of moving in? Roughly a quarter of residents
- What does the data say about occupancy rates at LT care communities? Recently stable around 86%

# Why do they move out?

What are the main move-out reasons? **Death, followed by decline in health and change in life dynamics** 

More ALIS 500 Reports are in the works. -----►

Stay tuned!





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