

**Parliament: Almost 44,000 Malaysians Are Centenarians - Ahmad Zahid
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KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 3 (Bernama) -- A total of 43,599 Malaysians are over 100 years old, says Home Minister Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi.

He said the statistics was obtained from the record of the National Registration Department as at September this year.

Dr Ahmad Zahid who is the Deputy Prime Minister said Chinese made up the highest number, while Orang Asli in the peninsula had the least number according to racial breakdown.

"Of the total, 36,251 of the centenarians are Chinese, followed by Malays (2,671), Indians (2,570), Sarawak ethnic groups (747), Sabah ethnic groups (432), Orang Asli in the peninsula (seven) and others (921)," he said.

Ahmad Zahid said this in a written reply to Datuk Seri Noh Omar (BN-Tanjong Karang) who wanted to know the total number of Malaysians aged more than 100 years according to racial breakdown, at the Dewan Rakyat sitting Tuesday.

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