

Alameda County, CA 2011

Elder Economic Security Standard™ Index

Elder Index Per Year, Annual Comparisons, and Basic Monthly Expenses for Selected Household Types

Elder Index Per Year†

	Elder Person			Elder Couple		
	Owner w/o mortgage	Owner w/mortgage	Renter, one bedroom	Owner w/o mortgage	Owner w/mortgage	Renter, one bedroom
Income Needed to Meet Basic Needs (based on monthly expenses shown below*)	\$17,506	\$36,356	\$26,043	\$26,123	\$44,973	\$34,660

Annual Comparison Amounts

Federal Poverty Guideline (2011 DHHS)	\$10,890	\$10,890	\$10,890	\$14,710	\$14,710	\$14,710
% of Federal Poverty [Elder Index divided by (/) Federal Poverty Guideline]	161%	334%	239%	178%	306%	236%
SSI Payment Maximum, California 2011	\$9,965	\$9,965	\$9,965	\$16,886	\$16,886	\$16,886
SSI Income Gap [SSI Payment Maximum minus (-) Elder Index]	-\$7,541	-\$26,391	-\$16,078	-\$9,237	-\$28,087	-\$17,774
Median Social Security Payment 2011	\$12,328	\$12,328	\$12,328	\$20,695	\$20,695	\$20,695
Soc Sec Income Gap [Average Social Security Payment minus (-) Elder Index]	-\$5,178	-\$24,028	-\$13,715	-\$5,428	-\$24,278	-\$13,965

*Basic Monthly Expenses Used to Calculate Elder Index

	Elder Person			Elder Couple		
	Owner w/o mortgage	Owner w/mortgage	Renter, one bedroom	Owner w/o mortgage	Owner w/mortgage	Renter, one bedroom
Monthly Expenses						
Housing	\$436	\$2,006	\$1,147	\$436	\$2,006	\$1,147
Food	278	278	278	517	517	517
Transportation	239	239	239	335	335	335
Health Care (Good Health)	263	263	263	526	526	526
Miscellaneous @ 20%	243	243	243	363	363	363
Elder Index Per Month	\$1,459	\$3,030	\$2,170	\$2,177	\$3,748	\$2,888

† Note: Annual total may not equal the sum of monthly totals due to rounding.

For the complete report, methodology or other counties visit:

<http://healthpolicy.ucla.edu/elder-index2011>

For more information about the California Elder Economic Security Initiative™ program visit:

<http://www.insightccd.org/communities/cfess/cal-eesi.html>

