

Kern 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 <small>(based on monthly expenses shown below*)</small>	\$15,191	\$26,217	\$18,781	\$22,729	\$33,755	\$26,319
Annual Comparison Amounts						
Federal Poverty Guideline (2011 DHHS)	\$10,890	\$10,890	\$10,890	\$14,710	\$14,710	\$14,710
% of Federal Poverty <small>[Elder Index divided by (/) Federal Poverty Guideline]</small>	139%	241%	172%	155%	229%	179%
SSI Payment Maximum, California 2011	\$9,965	\$9,965	\$9,965	\$16,886	\$16,886	\$16,886
SSI Income Gap <small>[SSI Payment Maximum minus (-) Elder Index]</small>	-\$5,226	-\$16,252	-\$8,816	-\$5,842	-\$16,868	-\$9,433
Median Social Security Payment 2011	\$12,175	\$12,175	\$12,175	\$20,099	\$20,099	\$20,099
Soc Sec Income Gap <small>[Average Social Security Payment minus (-) Elder Index]</small>	-\$3,016	-\$14,042	-\$6,606	-\$2,630	-\$13,656	-\$6,220

*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	\$353	\$1,272	\$652	\$353	\$1,272	\$652
Food	256	256	256	476	476	476
Transportation	239	239	239	335	335	335
Health Care (Good Health)	207	207	207	414	414	414
Miscellaneous @ 20%	211	211	211	316	316	316
Elder Index Per Month	\$1,266	\$2,185	\$1,565	\$1,894	\$2,813	\$2,193

†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>

