

Santa Clara 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*)	\$18,082	\$39,846	\$27,423	\$26,803	\$48,567	\$36,145

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]	166%	366%	252%	182%	330%	246%
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]	-\$8,117	-\$29,881	-\$17,459	-\$9,917	-\$31,681	-\$19,258
Median Social Security Payment 2011	\$12,605	\$12,605	\$12,605	\$20,736	\$20,736	\$20,736
Soc Sec Income Gap [Average Social Security Payment minus (-) Elder Index]	-\$5,477	-\$27,241	-\$14,818	-\$6,067	-\$27,831	-\$15,409

*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	\$467	\$2,280	\$1,245	\$467	\$2,280	\$1,245
Food	291	291	291	541	541	541
Transportation	239	239	239	335	335	335
Health Care (Good Health)	259	259	259	518	518	518
Miscellaneous @ 20%	251	251	251	372	372	372
Elder Index Per Month	\$1,507	\$3,321	\$2,285	\$2,234	\$4,047	\$3,012

†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>



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