

Sierra 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*)	\$18,768	\$28,066	\$23,380	\$29,090	\$38,388	\$33,702

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]	172%	258%	215%	198%	261%	229%
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]	-\$8,803	-\$18,102	-\$13,415	-\$12,203	-\$21,502	-\$16,815
Median Social Security Payment 2011	\$12,188	\$12,188	\$12,188	\$20,278	\$20,278	\$20,278
Soc Sec Income Gap [Average Social Security Payment minus (-) Elder Index]	-\$6,580	-\$15,878	-\$11,192	-\$8,812	-\$18,110	-\$13,424

*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	\$408	\$1,183	\$793	\$408	\$1,183	\$793
Food	253	253	253	472	472	472
Transportation	239	239	239	335	335	335
Health Care (Good Health)	403	403	403	805	805	805
Miscellaneous @ 20%	261	261	261	404	404	404
Elder Index Per Month	\$1,564	\$2,339	\$1,948	\$2,424	\$3,199	\$2,808

†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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