

# Sonoma 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*)	\$17,515	\$35,125	\$24,501	\$26,001	\$43,611	\$32,987

### 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%	323%	225%	177%	296%	224%
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]	-\$7,551	-\$25,161	-\$14,537	-\$9,115	-\$26,725	-\$16,101
Median Social Security Payment 2011	\$12,502	\$12,502	\$12,502	\$20,566	\$20,566	\$20,566
Soc Sec Income Gap [Average Social Security Payment minus (-) Elder Index]	-\$5,013	-\$22,623	-\$11,999	-\$5,435	-\$23,045	-\$12,421

### \*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	\$449	\$1,916	\$1,031	\$449	\$1,916	\$1,031
Food	253	253	253	472	472	472
Transportation	239	239	239	335	335	335
Health Care (Good Health)	275	275	275	550	550	550
Miscellaneous @ 20%	243	243	243	361	361	361
Elder Index Per Month	\$1,460	\$2,927	\$2,042	\$2,167	\$3,634	\$2,749

†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>

