



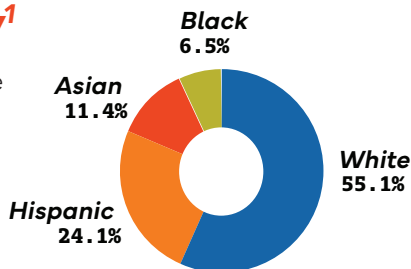
SNAPSHOT OF OLDER ADULTS

in Alameda County

California is the state with the most older adults living in poverty. By 2030, older adults will make up one-quarter of California's population, intensifying the need to invest in the critical programs that support them.

Overview¹

Older adults age 60+ account for **20%** of California's population.



Statewide demographics among older adults

In Alameda County, **343,000** older adults are 60+.

Medi-Cal & Medicare²

Older adults 65+ who have incomes at or below 138% of the federal poverty level qualify for both Medi-Cal & Medicare for their health care coverage.

In Alameda County, there are **65,646** older adults dually eligible.

There are **1,658,539** older adults statewide who are dually eligible.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)³

SSI is a federal income supplement program available to low-income older adults and people with disabilities.

In Alameda County, there are **24,649** older adults 65+ receiving SSI payments.

567,486 older adults statewide receive SSI payments.

Poverty Levels Using the Elder Index⁴

A new, more accurate standard of measurement gauges income security among California's older adults and takes into account local cost of living.



34% of older adults 65+ in Alameda County don't have enough income to meet their basic needs.

A single older adult who rents in Alameda County needs at least

\$36,372

per year to meet their basic needs.

1,547,000

older adults 65+ statewide don't have enough income to meet their basic needs.

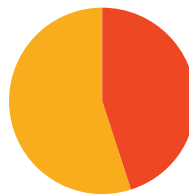
In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)⁵

IHSS provides in-home assistance to eligible older adults and people with disabilities as an alternative to institutional care and enables recipients to remain safely in their own homes.

In Alameda County, **16,645** older adults 65+ receive IHSS services.

388,736 older adults statewide receive IHSS services.

Older Adults Experiencing Homelessness⁶



45% of homeless individuals in California are age 50+.

In Alameda County, **2,702** adults age 55+ interacted with the homeless response system.

57,715 older adults statewide interacted with the homeless response system.

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