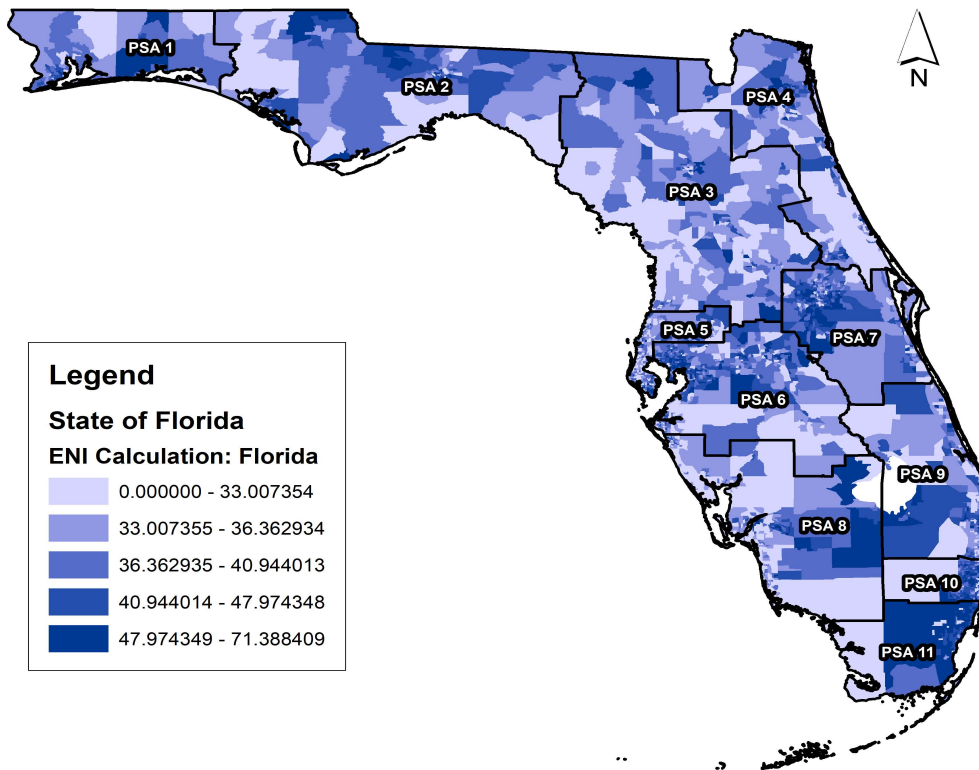


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## Florida

This profile of older Floridians is a source of current information related to older adults in the State of Florida. Topics include the current and future population of older adults, the prevalence of older adults who experience financial and housing issues, the array of health and medical resources, and information related to disasters. As Florida's older adult population grows, awareness of these issues is needed to ensure that older people continue to be vital participants in their communities.

## Elder Needs Index



The Elder Needs Index (ENI) is a measure that includes: (1) the percentage of the 60 and older population that is age 85 and older; (2) the percentage of the 55 and older population that are members of racial or ethnic minority groups; (3) the percentage of the 65 and older population with one or more disability; and (4) the percentage of the 55 and older population living below 125 percent of the Federal Poverty Level. ENI is an averaged score indicating older adults who may need social services within a geographic area. It is not a percentage of the area's population. Areas are color coded by their level of need, with light purple/blue areas representing areas with comparatively less need while the darker blue areas represent areas with high levels of need. The boundaries of Census Tracts correspond to the shape of each area on these maps.

Interactive maps, viewing software, and a detailed user's guide are available at [http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/doea/eni\\_home.php](http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/doea/eni_home.php)

The index cutpoints in the ENI is scaled at the PSA-level for the PSA and County Profiles Maps, and at the State-Level for the State of Florida map.  
Source: Florida Department of Elder Affairs using U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

## Useful Websites

Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEER)

Florida Division of Emergency Management (Shelters)

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## Florida Demographic Profile

The demographics section presents the population characteristics of those age 60 and older and examines traits about older Floridians, such as the number of veterans, voters, and drivers.

Age Category	Value	Percent
All Ages	21,596,068	100%
Under 18	4,372,354	20%
Under 60	15,702,198	73%
18-59	11,329,844	52%
60+	5,893,870	27%
65+	4,422,335	20%
70+	3,121,921	14%
75+	1,998,681	9%
80+	1,156,441	5%
85+	594,727	3%

Source: BEBR, 2021

Gender	Value	Percent
Male	2,680,704	45%
Female	3,213,166	55%

Source: BEBR, 2021

Living Alone	Value	Percent
Male Living Alone	420,398	35%
Female Living Alone	782,880	65%

Source: AGID 2014-18 ACS

Educational Attainment (65+)	Value	Percent
Less than High School	616,012	14%
High School Diploma	1,279,051	29%
Some College, No Degree	819,290	19%
Associates Degree or Higher	1,491,075	34%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019

Marital Status	Male	Female
<b>Never Married</b>	153,370	156,395
Percentage Never Married	6%	5%
<b>Married</b>	1,703,635	1,439,990
Percentage Married	70%	49%
<b>Widowed</b>	230,610	819,490
Percentage Widowed	9%	28%
<b>Divorced</b>	357,765	517,545
Percentage Divorced	15%	18%

Source: AGID 2014-18 ACS

Race and Ethnicity	Value	Percent
White	5,103,775	87%
Black	652,184	11%
Other Minorities	137,911	2%
<b>Total Hispanic</b>	966,725	16%
White Hispanic	901,218	15%
Non-White Hispanic	65,507	1%
Total Non-Hispanic	4,927,145	84%
Total Minority	1,756,820	30%

The minority population is the summation of black, other, and Hispanic

Source: BEBR, 2021

Driver License Holders	Value	Percent
Drivers	5,511,719	31%

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, 2019

Registered Voters	Value	Percent
Registered Voters	4,974,432	35%

Source: Florida Department of State, 2018

Veterans	Value	Percent
Age 45-64	490,660	32%
Age 65-84	620,245	41%
Age 85+	145,662	10%

Source: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 2018

Grandparents	Value	Percent
<b>Living With Grandchildren</b>	284,880	5%
Grandparent Responsible for Grandchildren	67,620	1%
Grandparent Not Responsible for Grandchildren	217,260	4%
<b>Not Living With Grandchildren</b>	4,998,400	85%

Grandchildren are defined as being under the age of 18.

Source: AGID 2014-18 ACS

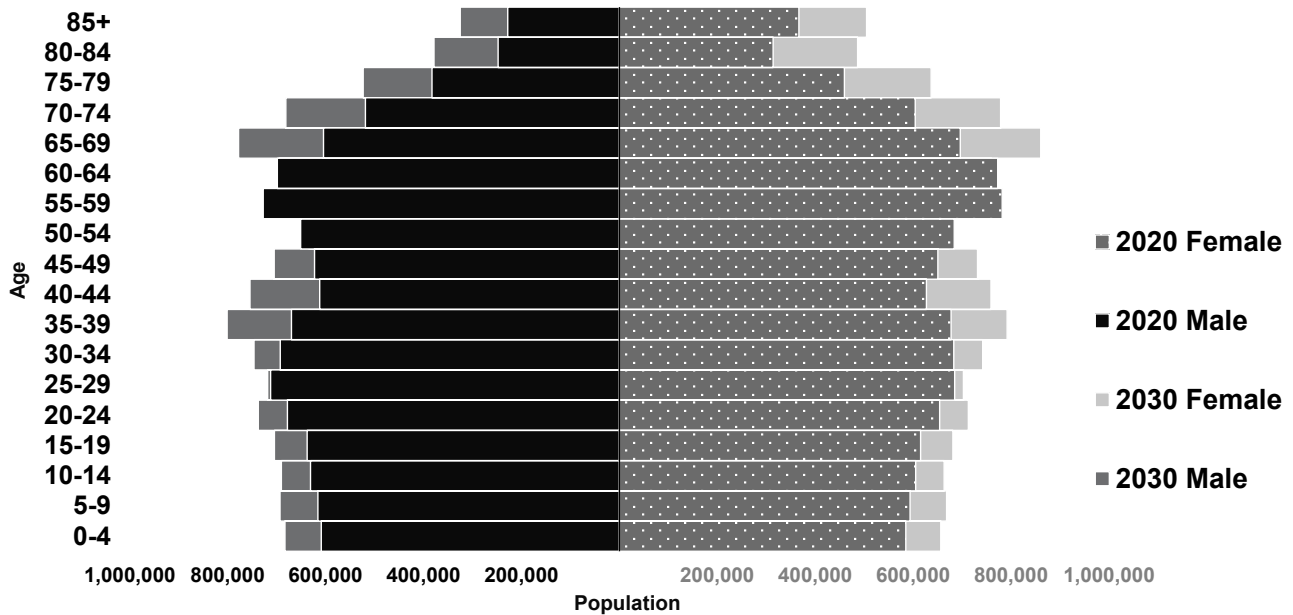
English Proficiency	Value	Percent
With Limited English Proficiency	449,687	8%

Source: AGID 2014-18 ACS

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## Florida Demographic Profile

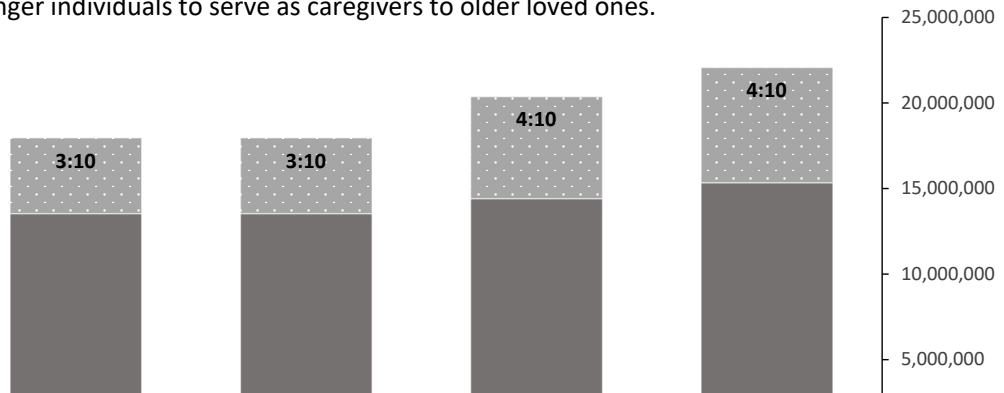
The population pyramid below compares the projected older adult population by gender between 2018 and 2030, demonstrating the changes expected in the next decade. As a whole, Florida is expected to experience population growth, with some areas expecting notable growth in the proportion of those age 65 and older.



Source: BEBR, 2021

## Older Adult Dependency Ratio

The dependency ratio contrasts the number of working-age (15-64) individuals compared to the number of individuals age 65 and older who are likely retired from the workforce. This ratio reflects the ongoing contributions of taxes and wages to support the health care and retirement systems used by retirees, as well as the availability of younger individuals to serve as caregivers to older loved ones.



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## Florida Financial Profile

This section examines financial conditions, poverty rates, and the cost of living for older Floridians. The ratio of income to poverty level graphic below shows the distribution of older adults relative to the poverty level to show the proportion of the senior population who fall below the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). The portrayal of the financial conditions of older adults is detailed in the final graphic, which includes information about income relative to rates of homeownership and partnership status in the consideration of cost of living.

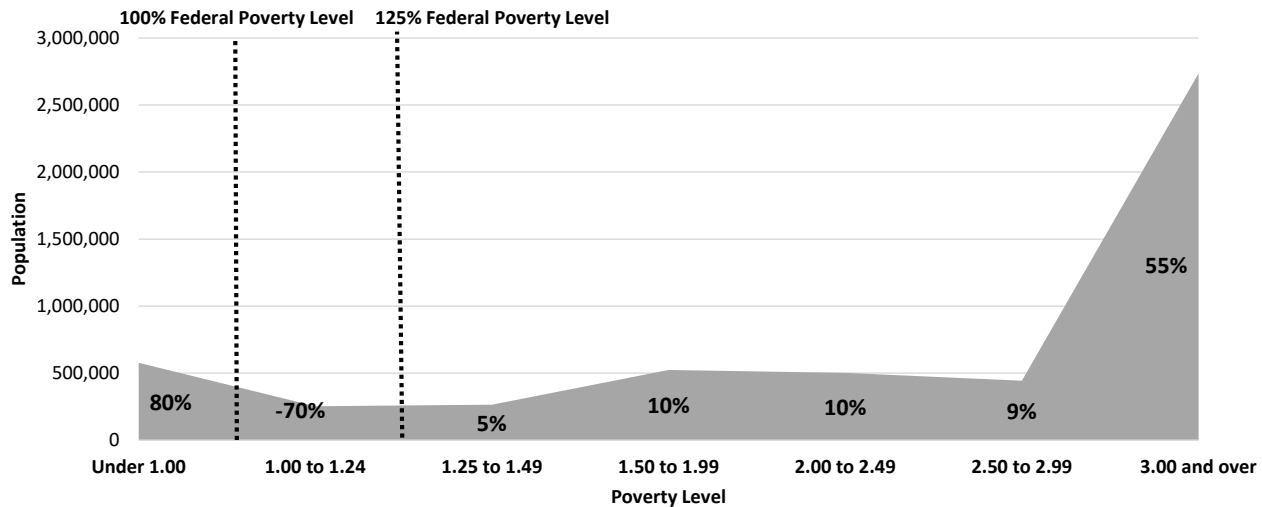
Federal Poverty Level (FPL)	Value
Single-Person Household	\$12,140
Two-Person Household	\$16,460
125% Single-Person Household	\$15,175
125% Two-Person Household	\$20,575

Source: U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, 2021

Poverty	Value	Percent
At Poverty Level	4,723,321	80%
Below 125% of Poverty Level	576,833	10%
Minority At Poverty Level	1,198,816	20%
Minority Below 125% of Poverty Level	268,383	5%

Source: AGID 2014-18 ACS

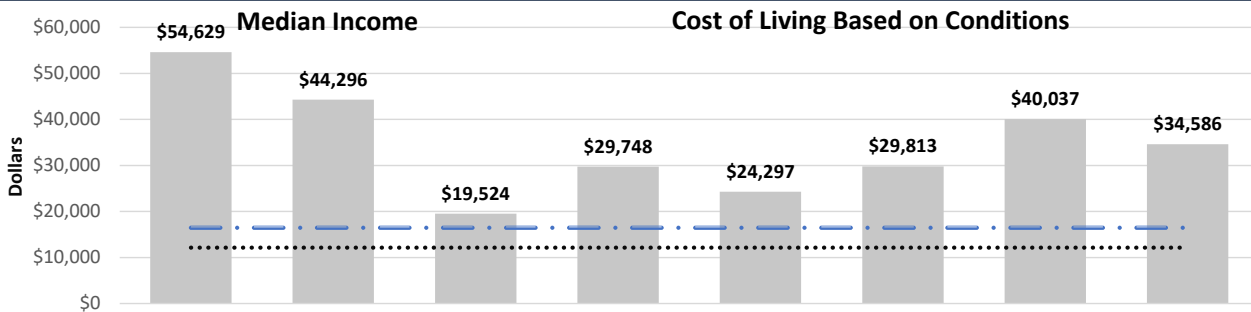
## Ratio of Income to Poverty Level



Value is expressed as the percentage of the 60+ population, with the dotted lines representing the Federal Poverty Level.

Source: AGID 2014-18 ACS

## Financial Conditions



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U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS)  
 U.S. Census Bureau, Quick Facts  
 Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA)  
 Florida Department of Elder Affairs (DOEA)  
 How to Become an Age Friendly Community

Florida Housing Data Clearinghouse  
 County Chronic Disease Profile  
 Aging Integrated Database (AGID)  
 Florida DOEA ENI Maps

## Florida Livability Profile

The livability section presents new elements, such as available affordable housing for older adults. Many essential community elements are also included below, such as sidewalk safety, the safety of roadways, and availability of green spaces. The rates of older Floridians who have access to a vehicle or public transportation, as well as the availability of internet access and various food resources, are also provided. These provide estimates of older adults' ability to access community resources.

### Pedestrian Safety Percent

Sidewalks with Barriers 32%

Physical barriers are those that separate motorized vehicle lanes from sidewalks or shared path (e.g. areas for parking lots, guardrail, trees, etc.).

Source: Florida Department of Transportation, 2021

### Road Incidents Value

Total Involved in Fatal Car Crashes per 100,000 53

This figure includes occupants and non-occupants involved in a crash.

Source: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 2017

### Volunteering Value

Number of Volunteers 1,161,466

Total Hours 129,562,895

Average Number of Hours per Volunteer 112

Source: CPS-Volunteer Supplemental, 2017

### Food Resource Centers Value

SNAP Access Sites 456

Fresh Access Bucks Outlet 62

Farmer's Market 155

Food Distribution (No Cost) 388

SNAP Retailers 14,900

Congregate Meal Sites 303

Food Distribution (No Cost) is the number of food pantries, soup kitchens, and food banks in the area.

Source: Feeding Florida.org, USDA, and Florida DOEA, 2019

### Public Transportation Options Value

Bus Operations at least at the County 33

Rail Operations at least at the County 9

Public Transit Service Area (sq. mi.) 21,469

Public Transit Service Area Population 21,909,334

Annual Unlinked Trips 211,826,797

Vehicles Operated in Maximum Service (VOMS) 3,998

Total Miles of Bike Lanes 7,682

Information on service area is not reported by rural and intercity public transit.

VOMS are the number of vehicles operated to meet the annual max service, and unlinked trips are the number of passengers boarding public transit.

Source: Federal Transit Administration, 2017, and FDOT, 2018

### Green Space Value

Number of Nearby State Parks 220

Nearby refers to the park that has the shortest distance from the center of the county.

### Households With High Cost Burden (65+) Value

Owner-Occupied Households 1,087,534

Percent of Owners with High Cost Burden 11%

Renter-Occupied Households 511,455

Percent of Renters with High Cost Burden 31%

Households with a high cost burden have occupants age 65+ paying more than 30% of income for housing costs and having an income below 50% of the area median income.

Source: The Shimberg Center for Housing Studies, 2020

### Affordable Housing Inventory Value

Properties 834

Properties Ready for Occupancy 800

Total Units 89,393

Units with Rent and/or Income Restrictions 86,096

Units Receiving Monthly Rental Assistance 31,493

Affordable housing inventory receives funding from HUD, Florida Housing Financing Corp., and the USDA. The inventory above includes older adults as its target population.

Source: The Shimberg Center for Housing Studies, 2020

### Housing Units by Occupancy (65+) Percent

Owner-Occupied Housing Units 39%

Renter-Occupied Housing Units 16%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 ACS

### Vehicle Access (65+) Percent

Owner-Occupied Households with Access to Vehicle(s) 95%

Renter-Occupied Households with Access to Vehicle(s) 71%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 ACS

### Employment Status (65+) Value Percent

Number of Seniors Employed 1,189,755 27%

Number of Seniors Unemployed 61,914 1%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 ACS

### Retirement (65+) Value Percent

Social Security Beneficiaries 3,622,600 76%

SSI Recipients 215,840 37%

SSI stands for Supplemental Security Income. To qualify, a person must be at least age 65

OR be blind or disabled. Also, the person must have limited income and resources.

Source: U.S. Social Security Administration, 2019

### SNAP or Food Stamps Value

Potentially Eligible 576,833

Annual Participants 805,743

Current Beneficiaries as of Dec-20 678,695

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## Florida Health Profile and Medical Resources

The health and medical section presents the variety and availability of different types of facilities, medical professionals, and treatment services in the community. This includes complex estimates based on probable usage by older adults. For example, the "Medically Underserved" are areas designated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as having too few primary care providers, high infant mortality, high poverty, or a high elderly population. Likewise, the number of Silver Alerts is provided, which is the number of reported missing persons 60 and older, with a verified cognitive impairment known to law enforcement, such as dementia or Alzheimer's disease. Medical access and health support services information is an important area for community planners to ensure that support is in place to accommodate

Silver Alerts	Value
Number of Silver Alerts	257

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement, 2018

Ambulatory Surgical Centers	Value
Facilities	485
Operating Rooms	1,225
Recovery Beds	3,818

Source: Florida AHCA, 2021

Hospitals	Value
<b>Hospitals</b>	308
Hospitals with Skilled Nursing Units	12
<b>Hospital Beds</b>	69,654
Skilled Nursing Unit Beds	4,084

Source: Florida AHCA, 2021

Medical Professionals	Value
<b>Medical Doctors</b>	
Licensed	22,049
Limited License	94
Critical Need Area License	829
Restricted	0
Medical Faculty Certification	43
Public Health Certificate	1
<b>Other Professionals</b>	
Licensed Podiatric Physicians	1,552
Licensed Osteopathic Physicians	7,411
Dentists	13,102
<b>Licensed Registered Nurses</b>	299,211
<b>Pharmacies</b>	6,541

Source: Florida Department of Health, 2021

Assisted Living Facility	Value
<b>Total ALF Beds</b>	113,756
Optional State Supplementation (OSS) Beds	15,944
Non-OSS Beds	100,310
<b>Total ALF Facilities</b>	3,150
Facilities with Extended Congregate Care License	245
Facilities with Limited Mental Health License	760

Medically Underserved	Value	Percent
<b>Total Medically Underserved</b>	1,489,504	25%
Living in Areas Defined as Having Medically Underserved Populations	858,973	15%
Living in Medically Underserved Areas	636,104	11%

Source: Calculated using U.S. Health Resources & Services Administration and AGID

Health Insurance 65+	Value	Percent
Insured	4,086,007	99%
Uninsured	50,734	1%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 ACS

Disability Status	Value	Percent
With One Type of Disability	758,870	13%
With Two or More Disabilities	812,885	14%
<b>Total With Any Disability</b>		
Hearing	598,310	10%
Vision	290,090	5%
Cognitive	408,790	7%
Ambulatory	996,885	17%
Self-Care	340,800	6%
Independent Living	606,855	10%
With No Disabilities	3,728,470	63%
Probable Alzheimer's Cases (65+)	888,475	20%

Source: AGID 2014-18 ACS

Medicaid & Medicare Beneficiaries	Value	Percent
60+ Medicaid Eligible	794,873	18%
60+ Dual Eligible	703,864	78%

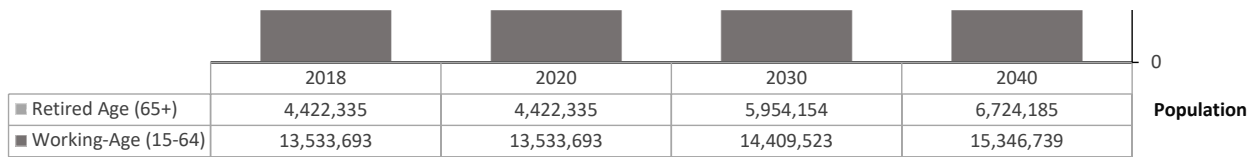
Source: Florida AHCA, 2021

Adult Day Care (ADC)	Value
ADC Facilities	363
Capacity	20,185

Source: Florida AHCA, 2021

Home Health Agencies	Value
<b>Agencies</b>	2,129
Medicaid Certified Agencies	52
Medicare Certified Agencies	689

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Source: BEBR, 2021

■ Working-Age (15-64) ■ Retired Age (65+)

## Florida Medical Resources

Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Use	Value
<b>SNFs With Beds</b>	716
Community Beds	680
Sheltered Beds	51
Veterans Administration Beds	10
Other Beds	3
<b>SNF Beds</b>	85,731
Community Beds	82,618
Sheltered Beds	2,223
Veterans Administration Beds	728
Other Beds	190
<b>SNFs With Community Beds</b>	680
Community Bed Days	30,753,518
Community Patient Days	23,834,912
Medicaid Patient Days	15,470,212
Occupancy Rate	78%
Percent Medicaid	65%

The day the patient is admitted is a patient day. A bed day is a day during which a person is confined to a bed and in which the patient stays overnight in a hospital.

Source: Florida AHCA, 2021

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Providers	Value
	291

EMS providers include air ambulances and ambulances with Basic Life Support (BLS) or Advanced Life Support (ALS).

Source: Florida Department of Health, 2021

Adult Family Care Homes	Value
Homes	294
Beds	1,359

Source: Florida AHCA, 2021

Memory Disorder Clinics	Value
Total	17

Source: Florida DOEA's Summary of Programs and Services (SOPS), 2020

Dialysis	Value
End-Stage Renal Disease Centers	524

Source: Florida Department of Health, 2021

## Florida Disaster Preparedness

The disaster preparedness section presents the count and percentage of people age 60 or older living in the legislative district that fall within particular storm surge evacuation zones, as well as the number of DOEA Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) clients who reside in these zones. The estimate of electricity-dependent individuals is presented by insurance type to show the number of people who use electricity-dependent medical equipment necessary for things such as survival or mobility. This information can also be used to evaluate the sufficiency of shelters, generators, and evacuation route roadways to handle the needs of

Electricity-Dependent	Value
Medicare Beneficiary	172,193
Medicaid Beneficiary	67,848

Medicare beneficiary includes the entire Medicare population (65+ and SSI Recipients).

Medicaid beneficiaries are individuals age 60 to 64.

Source: Florida AHCA and U.S. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 2021

Shelter Resources	Value
<b>Number of General Shelters</b>	1,913
General Shelter Max Capacity in People	1,020,047
<b>Number of Special Needs Shelters</b>	175
Special Needs Shelters Max Capacity in People	39,616

Source: FDEM, 2021

Evacuation Zones	Value	Percent
<b>Total Population Residing in Evac Zone:</b>	344	0%
Zone A	14	0%
Zone B	114	0%
Zone C	75	0%
Zone D	90	0%
Zone E	51	0%
<b>DOEA HCBS Clients</b>	136,619	100%
Lives in an Evac Zone and Has Memory Problems	3,118	2%
Lives in an Evac Zone and Lives Alone	11,343	8%

Zones are associated with the following surge heights: Zone A up to 11 feet, Zone B up to 15 feet,

Zone C up to 20 feet, Zone D up to 28 feet, and Zone E up to 35 feet.

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Overall      65+      Single Owner without Mortgage      Single Renter, One Bedroom with Mortgage      Single Owner without Mortgage      Couple Owner without Mortgage      Couple Renter, One Bedroom with Mortgage      Couple Owner with Mortgage

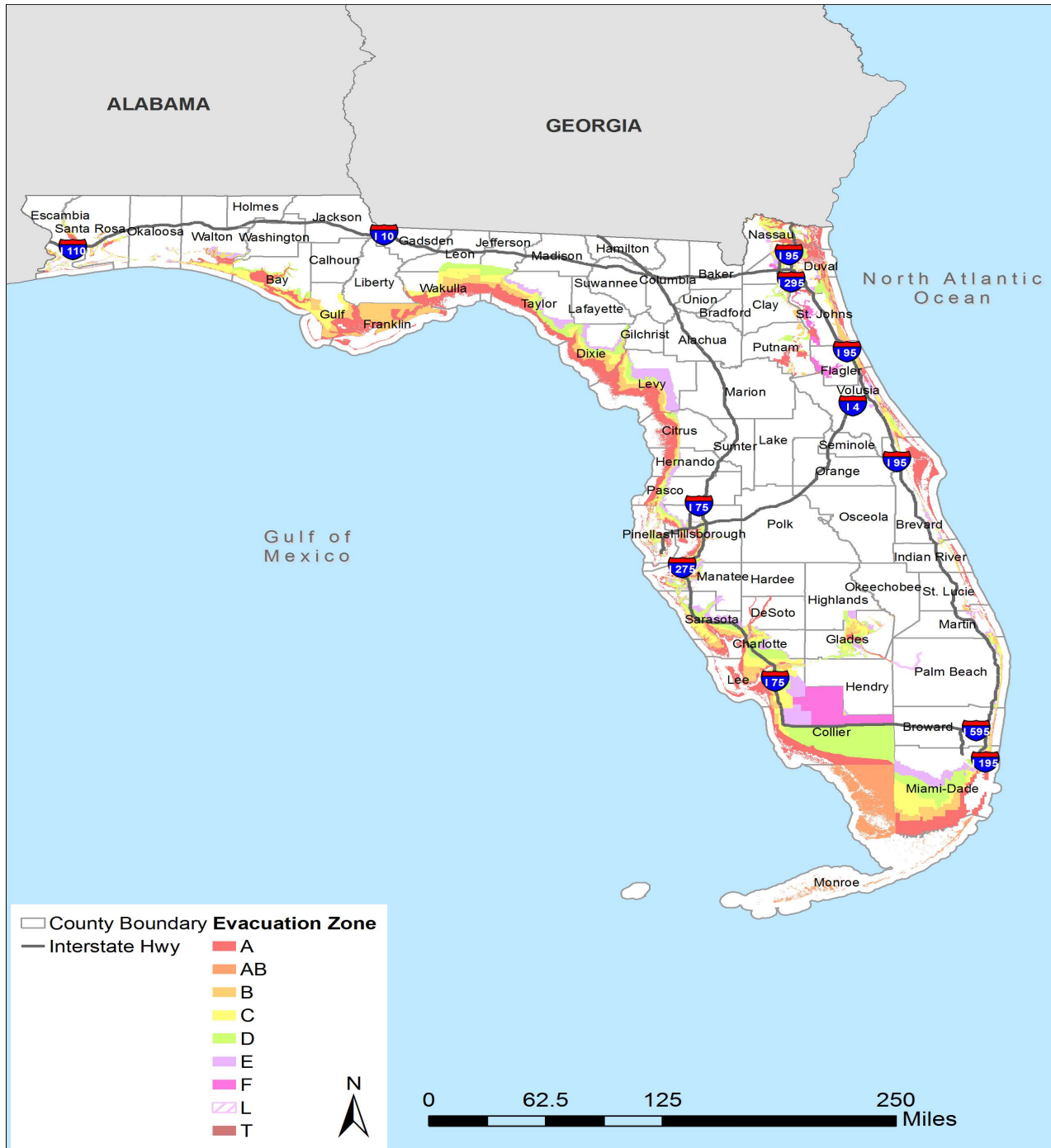
..... FPL Single-Person Household      — FPL Two-Person Household

Cost of living is an index of how much income retired older adults require to meet their basic needs to live in their community without assistance.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 ACS and Elder Index. (2020). The Elder Index™ [Public Dataset]. Boston, MA: Gerontology Institute, University of Massachusetts Boston. Retrieved from ElderIndex.org, 2016

## Florida Disaster Preparedness

### Evacuation Zones





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Source: Florida Department of Environmental Protection, 2021

<b>Rural-Urban Designation</b>	<b>Value</b>
Census Tracts Rural	10%
Census Tracts Urban	90%
Number of Census Tracts	4,245

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2019

**Percent of Total Population Receiving Benefits** 12%

Potentially Eligible are individuals below 125% of the Federal Poverty Level

Source: Florida Department of Children and Families, 2018

<b>Internet Access (65+)</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Have Internet Access	85%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 ACS

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Facilities with Limited Nursing Service License  
Source: Florida AHCA, 2021

461

Homemaker and Companion Service Companies  
Source: Florida AHCA, 2021

2,729

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Source: Florida DOEA CIRTS, ACS, Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM), 2019

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Source: FDEM, 2021