## 2021 Profile of Older Floridians

## Escambia County

This profile of older Floridians is a source of current information related to seniors in the county. 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 elders 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

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 (BEBR)
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 Division of Emergency Management (Shelters)
Florida Housing Data Clearinghouse
County Chronic Disease Profile
Aging Integrated Database (AGID)
Florida DOEA ENI Maps

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## Escambia County 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 | Race and Ethnicity | Value | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All Ages | 323,714 | 100\% | White | 63,030 | 78\% |
| Under 18 | 70,295 | 22\% | Black | 14,944 | 18\% |
| Under 60 | 242,834 | 75\% | Other Minorities | 2,906 | 4\% |
| 18-59 | 172,539 | 53\% | Total Hispanic | 2,097 | 3\% |
| 60+ | 80,880 | 25\% | White Hispanic | 1,745 | 2\% |
| 65+ | 58,910 | 18\% | Non-White Hispanic | 352 | 0\% |
| 70+ | 40,348 | 12\% | Total Non-Hispanic | 78,783 | 97\% |
| 75+ | 25,234 | 8\% | Total Minority | 19,947 | 25\% |
| 80+ | 14,464 | 4\% | The minority population is the summation of black, other, and Hispanic |  |  |
| 85+ | 7,395 | 2\% | Source: BEBR, 2021 |  |  |
| Source: BEBR, 2021 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Driver License Holders | Value | Percent |
| Gender | Value | Percent | Drivers | 76,657 | 32\% |
| Male | 36,705 | 45\% | Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, 2021 |  |  |
| Female | 44,175 | 55\% |  |  |  |
| Source: BEBR, 2021 |  |  | Registered Voters | Value | Percent |
|  |  |  | Registered Voters | 74,997 | 33\% |
| Living Alone | Value | Percent | Source: Florida Department of State, 2018 |  |  |
| Male Living Alone | 6,015 | 7\% |  |  |  |
| Female Living Alone | 10,975 | 14\% | Veterans | Value | Percent |
| Source: AGID 2014-18 ACS |  |  | Age 45-64 | 14,488 | 37\% |
|  |  |  | Age 65-84 | 11,819 | 30\% |
| Educational Attainment (65+) | Value | Percent | Age 85+ | 2,290 | 6\% |
| Less than High School | 6,021 | 7\% | Source: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 2018 |  |  |
| High School Diploma | 16,347 | 20\% |  |  |  |
| Some College, No Degree | 10,995 | 14\% | Grandparents | Value | Percent |
| Associates Degree or Higher | 18,546 | 23\% | Living With Grandchildren | 2,705 | 3\% |
| Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 ACS |  |  | Grandparent Responsible for Grandchildren | 855 | 1\% |
|  |  |  | Grandparent Not Responsible for Grandchildren | 1,850 | 2\% |
| Marital Status | Male | Female | Not Living With Grandchildren | 65,835 | 81\% |
| Never Married | 1,610 | 1,740 | Grandchildren are defined as being under the age of 18. |  |  |
| Percentage Never Married | 5\% | 4\% | Source: AGID 2014-18 ACS |  |  |
| Married | 20,265 | 18,285 |  |  |  |
| Percentage Married | 65\% | 46\% | English Proficiency | Value | Percent |
| Widowed | 4,380 | 12,255 | With Limited English Proficiency | 830 | 1\% |
| Percentage Widowed | 14\% | 31\% | Source: AGID 2014-18 ACS |  |  |
| Divorced | 4,715 | 7,095 |  |  |  |
| Percentage Divorced | 15\% | 18\% |  |  |  |
| Source: AGID 2014-18 ACS |  |  |  |  |  |

Note: The American Community Survey (ACS) requires a minimum of $\mathbf{5 0}$ cases in
a geographic area and therefore a value of $\mathbf{0}$ may denote fewer than $\mathbf{5 0}$ seniors in a region.

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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.


## 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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## Escambia County 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 | Value | Poverty | Value | Percent |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Single-Person Household | $\$ 12,140$ | At Poverty Level | 63,130 | $78 \%$ |
| Two-Person Household | $\$ 16,460$ | Below 125\% of Poverty Level | 5,520 | $7 \%$ |
| $125 \%$ Single-Person Household | $\$ 15,175$ | Minority At Poverty Level | 13,615 | $17 \%$ |
| 125\% Two-Person Household | $\$ 20,575$ | Minority Below 125\% of Poverty Level | 2,685 | $3 \%$ |
| Source: U.S. Department of Health \& Human Services, 2021 |  | Source: AGID 2014-18 ACS |  |  |



Value is expressed as the percentage of the 60+ population, with the dotted lines representing the Federal Poverty Level.
Source: AGID 2014-18 ACS
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## Escambia County 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 <br> Physical barriers are those that separate motorized vehicle lanes from sidewalks or shared path (e.g. areas for parking lots, guardrail, trees, etc.). <br> Source: Florida Department of Transportation, 2021 | 26\% |
| Road Incidents <br> Total Involved in Fatal Car Crashes per 100,000 <br> This figure includes occupants and non-occupants involved in a crash. <br> Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, 2020 | Value 70 |
| Internet Access (65+) <br> Have Internet Access <br> Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 ACS | Percent |
| Food Resource Centers | Value |
| SNAP Access Sites | 1 |
| Fresh Access Bucks Outlet | 1 |
| Farmer's Market | 2 |
| Food Distribution (No Cost) | 7 |
| SNAP Retailers | 301 |
| Congregate Meal Sites | 1 |
| Food Distribution (No Cost) is the number of food pantries, soup kitchens, and food banks in the area. <br> Source: Feeding Florida.org, USDA, FDACS, 2021, and Florida DOEA, 2019 |  |
| Public Transportation Options | Value |
| Bus Operations at least at the County | 1 |
| Rail Operations at least at the County | 0 |
| Public Transit Service Area (sq. mi.) | 189 |
| Public Transit Service Area Population | 241,661 |
| Annual Unlinked Trips | 1,398,149 |
| Vehicles Operated in Maximum Service (VOMS) | 64 |
| Total Miles of Bike Lanes <br> Information on service area is not reported by rural and intercity public transit. <br> VOMS are the number of vehicles operated to meet the annual max service, and unlinked trips are the number of passengers boarding public transit. <br> Source: Federal Transit Administration, 2017, and FDOT, 2019 | 159 |
| Green Space | Value |
| Number of Nearby State Parks <br> Nearby refers to the park that has the shortest distance from the center of the county. <br> Source: Florida Department of Environmental Protection, 2021 | 3 |
| Rural-Urban Designation | Value |
| Census Tracts Rural | 0\% |
| Census Tracts Urban | 100\% |
| Number of Census Tracts <br> Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2019 | 72 |



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## Escambia County 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. Medical access and health support services information is an important area for community planners to ensure that support is in place to accommodate an older population.

| Ambulatory Surgical Centers | Value |
| :---: | :---: |
| Facilities | 11 |
| Operating Rooms | 33 |
| Recovery Beds | 82 |
| Source: Florida AHCA, 2021 |  |
| Hospitals | Value |
| Hospitals | 4 |
| Hospitals with Skilled Nursing Units | 0 |
| Hospital Beds | 1,629 |
| Skilled Nursing Unit Beds |  |
| Source: Florida AHCA, 2021 |  |
| Medical Professionals | Value |
| Medical Doctors |  |
| Licensed | 321 |
| Limited License | 0 |
| Critical Need Area License | 2 |
| Restricted | 0 |
| Medical Faculty Certification | 0 |
| Public Health Certificate | 0 |
| Other Professionals |  |
| Licensed Podiatric Physicians | 13 |
| Licensed Osteopathic Physicians | 111 |
| Dentists | 156 |
| Licensed Registered Nurses | 4,717 |
| Pharmacies | 76 |
| Source: Florida Department of Health, 2021 |  |
| Assisted Living Facility | Value |
| Total ALF Beds | 1,663 |
| Optional State Supplementation (OSS) Beds | 381 |
| Non-OSS Beds | 1,282 |
| Total ALF Facilities | 27 |
| Facilities with Extended Congregate Care License | 6 |
| Facilities with Limited Mental Health License | 6 |
| Facilities with Limited Nursing Service License | 12 |
| Source: Florida AHCA, 2021 |  |


| Medically Underserved | Value | Percent |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Total Medically Underserved | 46,143 | $57 \%$ |
| Living in Areas Defined as Having Medically | 43,555 | $54 \%$ |
| Underserved Populations |  |  |
| Living in Medically Underserved Areas | 2,588 | $3 \%$ |
| Source: Calculated using U.S. Health Resources \& Services Administration and AGID |  |  |


| Health Insurance 65+ | Value Percent |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Insured | 50,219 | $62 \%$ |
| Uninsured | 123 | $38 \%$ |
| Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015-2019 ACS |  |  |


| Disability Status | Value Percent |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| With One Type of Disability | 10,415 | $13 \%$ |
| With Two or More Disabilities | 11,715 | $14 \%$ |
| Total With Any Disability |  |  |
| Hearing | 7,915 | $10 \%$ |
| Vision | 3,360 | $4 \%$ |
| Cognitive | 5,220 | $6 \%$ |
| Ambulatory | 15,205 | $19 \%$ |
| Self-Care | 4,745 | $6 \%$ |
| Independent Living | 9,075 | $11 \%$ |
| With No Disabilities | 46,510 | $58 \%$ |
| Probable Alzheimer's Cases (65+) | 7,551 | $9 \%$ |
| Source: AGID 2014-18 ACs |  |  |
| Medicaid \& Medicare Beneficiaries |  |  |
| 60+ Medicaid Eligible | 30,623 | $13 \%$ |
| 60+ Dual Eligible | 26,365 | $71 \%$ |
| Source: Florida AHCA, 2021 |  |  |


| Adult Day Care (ADC) | Value |
| :--- | ---: |
| ADC Facilities | 1 |
| Capacity | 42 |
| Source: Florida AHCA, 2021 |  |
|  | Value |
| Home Health Agencies | 32 |
| Agencies | 5 |
| Medicaid Certified Agencies | 7 |
| Medicare Certified Agencies | 32 |
| Homemaker and Companion Service Companies |  |
| Source: Florida AHCA, 2021 |  |

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| Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Use | Value |
| :--- | ---: |
| SNFs With Beds | 16 |
| Community Beds | 16 |
| Sheltered Beds | 1 |
| Veterans Administration Beds | 0 |
| Other Beds | 0 |
| SNF Beds | 1,883 |
| Community Beds | 1,848 |
| Sheltered Beds | 35 |
| Veterans Administration Beds | 0 |
| Other Beds | 0 |
| SNFs With Community Beds | 16 |
| Community Bed Days | 671,778 |
| Community Patient Days | 535,385 |
| Medicaid Patient Days | 328,581 |
| Occupancy Rate | $80 \%$ |
| Percent Medicaid | $61 \%$ |


| Emergency Medical Services (EMS) | Value |
| :--- | ---: |
| Providers | 1 |
| EMS providers include air ambulances and ambulances with Basic Life <br> Support (BLS) or Advanced Life Support (ALS). <br> Source: Florida Department of Health, 2021 |  |
| Adult Family Care Homes |  |
| Homes | Value |
| Beds | 4 |
| Source: Florida AHCA, 2021 | 17 |
| Memory Disorder Clinics | Value |
| Total <br> Source: Florida DOEA's Summary of Programs and Services (SOPS), 2020 |  |
| Dialysis | 1 |
| End-Stage Renal Disease Centers <br> Source: Florida Department of Health, 2021 | Value |

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

## Escambia County 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 CommunityBased 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 seniors and medically fragile adults in emergencies.

| Electricity-Dependent Value | Shelter Resources | Value |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Medicare Beneficiary 2,774 | Number of General Shelters | 52 |
| Medicaid Beneficiary 167 | General Shelter Max Capacity in People | 26,863 |
| Medicare beneficiary includes the entire Medicare population (65+ and SSI Recipients). | Number of Special Needs Shelters | 4 |
| Medicaid beneficiaries are individuals age 60 to 64. | Special Needs Shelters Max Capacity in People | 1,160 |


| Evacuation Zones | Value | Percent |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| DOEA HCBS Clients Residing in Evac Zone: | 29 | $0 \%$ |
| Zone A | 0 | $0 \%$ |
| Zone B | 5 | $0 \%$ |
| Zone C | 10 | $0 \%$ |
| Zone D | 6 | $0 \%$ |
| Zone E | 8 | $0 \%$ |
| DOEA HCBS Clients | 711 |  |
| Lives in an Evac Zone and Has Memory Problems | 9 | $0 \%$ |
| Lives in an Evac Zone and Lives Alone |  | $0 \%$ |

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.
Source: Florida DOEA CIRTS, Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM), 2021

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Source: FDEM, 2021


[^0]:    Source: BEBR, 2021 ■ Working-Age (15-64) Retired Age (65+)

[^1]:    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 ${ }^{\text {mem }}$ [Public Dataset]. Boston, MA: Gerontology Institute, University of Massachusetts Boston. Retrieved from ElderIndex.org, 201

