

2025 Profile of Older Floridians

Planning and Service Area (PSA) 11






This profile of older Floridians is a source of current information related to older adults in the Planning and Service Area. 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.

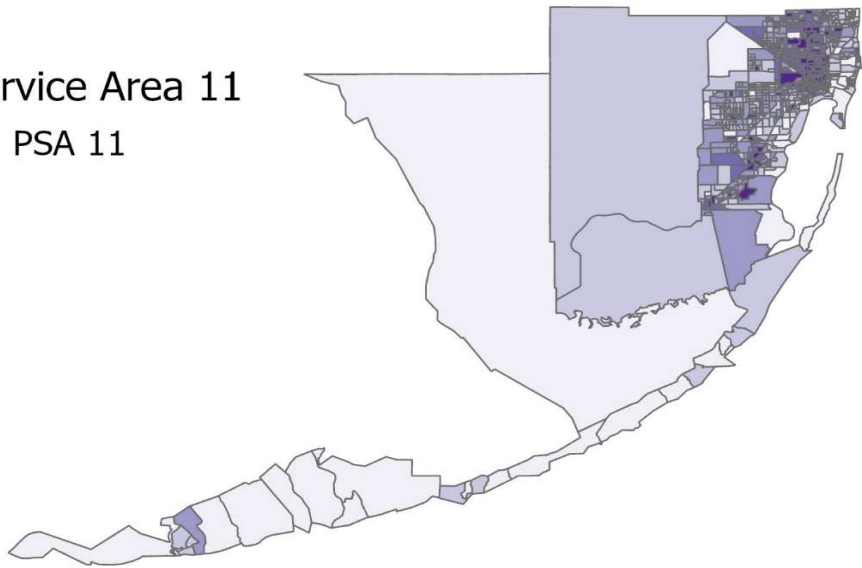
Elder Needs Index

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ENI Calculation: PSA 11

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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.** The green areas of the map represent bodies of land such as national parks, state forests, wildlife management areas, and local and private preserves. The blue areas of the map represent bodies of water such as lakes, streams, rivers, and coastlines. Interactive maps, viewing software, and a detailed user's guide are available at http://elderaffairs.state.fl.us/does/eni_home.php

Source: Florida Department of Elder Affairs using U.S. Census Bureau, 2018-2022 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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Planning and Service Area (PSA) 11 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	2,853,465	100%
Under 18	550,404	19%
Under 60	2,154,948	76%
18-59	1,604,544	56%
60+	698,517	24%
65+	517,495	18%
70+	365,257	13%
75+	240,193	8%
80+	143,794	5%
85+	73,981	3%

Source: BEBR, 2024

Gender	Value	Percent
Male	306,790	44%
Female	391,727	56%

Source: BEBR, 2024

Living Alone (65+)	Value	Percent
Male Living Alone	32,572	32%
Female Living Alone	70,599	68%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 ACS

Educational Attainment (65+)	Value	Percent
Less than High School	138,560	27%
High School Diploma	116,870	23%
Some College, No Degree	58,060	11%
Associates Degree or Higher	140,230	27%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 ACS

Marital Status	Male	Female
Never Married	26,935	33,085
Percentage Never Married	10%	10%
Married	178,950	143,575
Percentage Married	66%	41%
Widowed	22,325	93,370
Percentage Widowed	8%	27%
Divorced	41,175	76,075
Percentage Divorced	15%	22%

Source: AGID 2017-21 ACS

Race and Ethnicity	Value	Percent
White	582,518	83%
Black	104,455	15%
Other Race	11,544	2%
Total Hispanic	467,497	67%
White Hispanic	447,940	64%
Non-White Hispanic	19,557	3%
Total Non-Hispanic	231,020	33%
Total Minority	563,939	81%

The minority population includes black, other, and Hispanic.

Source: BEBR, 2024

Driver License Holders	Value	Percent
Drivers	593,306	25%

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, 2024

Registered Voters	Value	Percent
Registered Voters	592,547	35%

Source: Florida Department of State, 2024

Percentage calculation is based on total registered voters.

Veterans	Value	Percent
Age 45-64	22,879	48%
Age 65-84	20,914	44%
Age 85+	3,665	8%

Source: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 2023

Grandparents	Value	Percent
Living With Grandchildren	54,515	8%
Grandparent Responsible for Grandchildren	5,869	1%
Grandparent Not Responsible for Grandchildrer	48,640	7%
Not Living With Grandchildren	547,985	78%

Grandchildren are defined as being under the age of 18.

Source: AGID 2017-21 ACS

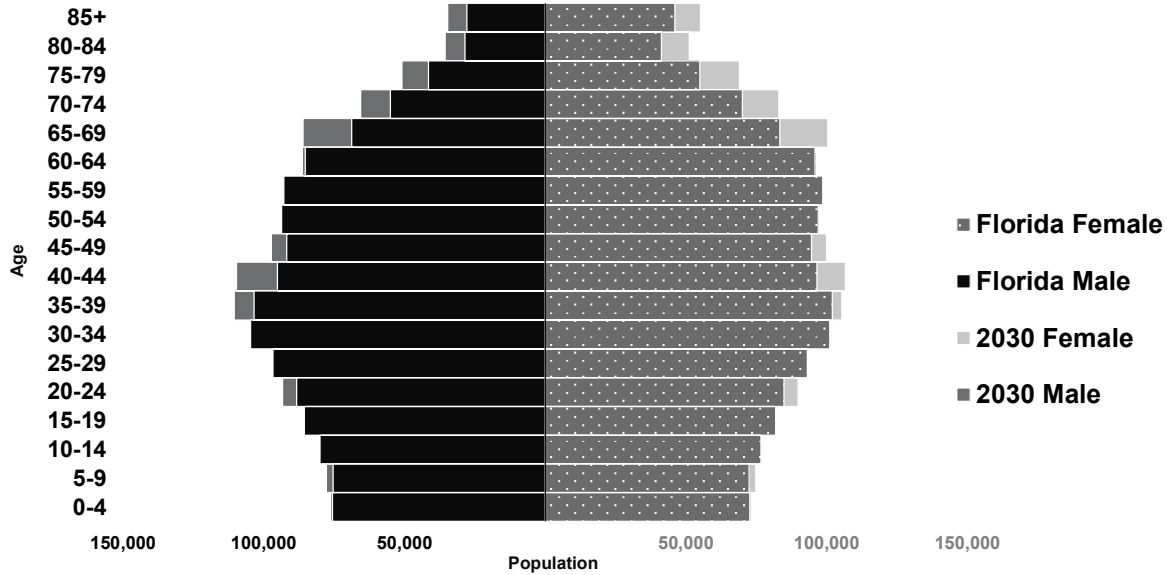
English Proficiency	Value	Percent
With Limited English Proficiency (65+)	176,309	34%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 ACS

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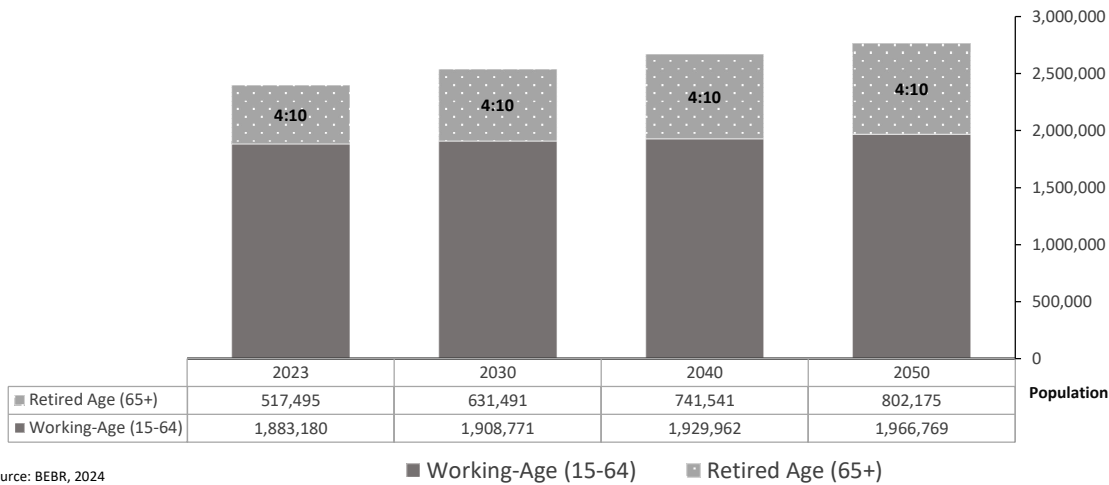
The population pyramid below compares the projected older adult population by gender between 2023 and 2030, demonstrating the changes expected in the next decade. As a whole, Florida is expected to experience population growth, with some areas expecting notable growth in the proportion of those age 65 and older.



Source: BEBR, 2024

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.



Source: BEBR, 2024

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Planning and Service Area (PSA) 11 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.

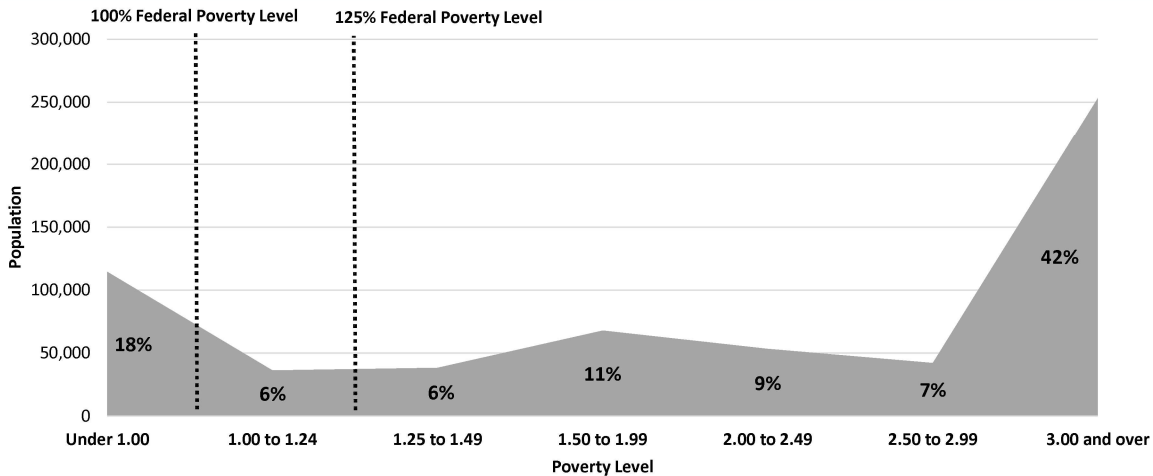
Federal Poverty Level	Value
Single-Person Household	\$15,650
Two-Person Household	\$21,150
125% Single-Person Household	\$19,563
125% Two-Person Household	\$26,438

Source: U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, 2025

Poverty (65+)	Value	Percent
At Poverty Level	94,422	18%
Below 125% of Poverty Level	125,569	24%
Minority At Poverty Level	57,506	11%
Minority Below 125% of Poverty Level	76,526	15%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 ACS

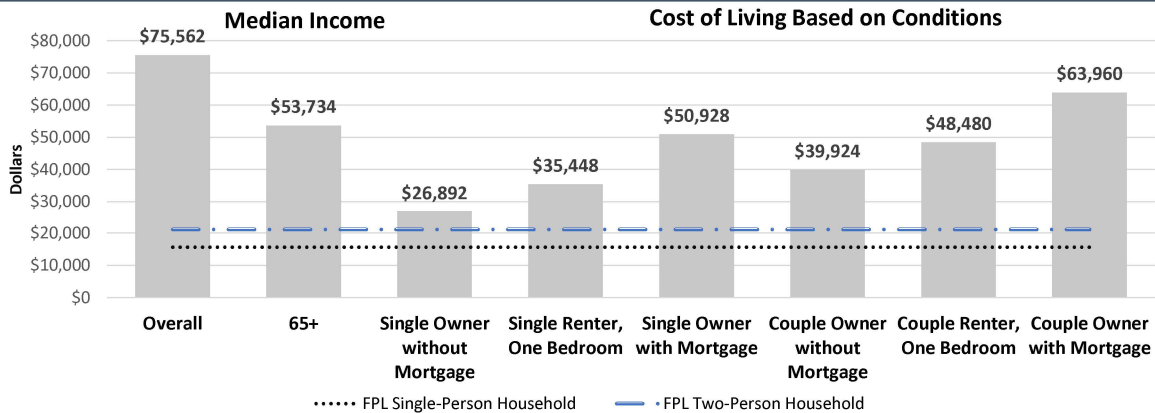
Ratio of Income to Poverty Level



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

Source: AGID 2017-21 ACS

Financial Conditions



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, 2019-2023 ACS and Elder Index, (2024). The Elder Index™ [Public Dataset]. Boston, MA: Gerontology Institute, University of Massachusetts Boston. Retrieved from E

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Planning and Service Area (PSA) 11 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, 2025

Road Incidents Value

Total Involved in Fatal Car Crashes per 100,000 10

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

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, 2024

Age Friendly Designation Value

Age Friendly 1

Number of Counties 2

The following counties have received the designation: Miami-Dade

Source: Florida DOEA Livable Communities, 2021

Food Resource Centers Value

SNAP Access Sites 7

Fresh Access Bucks Outlet 3

Farmer's Market 14

Food Distribution (No Cost) 13

SNAP Retailers 1,433

Congregate Meal Sites 67

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

Source: Feeding Florida, USDA, Food-Banks, DCF, FDACS, 2025;

Public Transportation Options Value

Bus Operations at least at the County 2

Rail Operations at least at the County 3

Public Transit Service Area (sq. mi.) 195

Public Transit Service Area Population 1,656,072

Annual Unlinked Trips 47,063,509

Vehicles Operated in Maximum Service (VOMS) 2,640

Total Miles of Bike Lanes 936

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, 2023, and FDOT, 2023-2024

Green Space Value

Number of Nearby State Parks 14

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

Source: Florida Department of Environmental Protection, 2025

Rural-Urban Designation Value

Census Tracts Rural 51%

Census Tracts Urban 50%

Number of Census Tracts 548

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2019

Households With High Cost Burden (65+) Value

Owner-Occupied Households 91,484

Percent of Owners with High Cost Burden 17%

Renter-Occupied Households 136,404

Percent of Renters with High Cost Burden 25%

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, 2023, U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 ACS

Affordable Housing Inventory Value

Properties 173

Properties Ready for Occupancy 173

Total Units 20,493

Units with Rent and/or Income Restrictions 20,369

Units Receiving Monthly Rental Assistance 9,298

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, 2022-2023

Housing Units by Occupancy (65+) Percent

Owner-Occupied Housing Units 45%

Renter-Occupied Housing Units 24%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 ACS

Vehicle Access (65+) Percent

Owner-Occupied Households with Access to Vehicle(s) 91%

Renter-Occupied Households with Access to Vehicle(s) 63%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 ACS

Employment Status (65+) Value Percent

Number of Seniors Employed 346,821 67%

Number of Seniors Unemployed 13,329 3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 ACS

Retirement (65+) Value Percent

Social Security Beneficiaries 388,340 84%

SSI Recipients 106,471 71%

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, 2023

SNAP or Food Stamps Value

Potentially Eligible 125,569

Annual Participants 257,465

Current Beneficiaries as of Dec-24 224,562

Percent of Total Population Receiving Benefits 28%

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

Source: Florida Department of Children and Families, 2024

Internet Access (65+) Percent

Have Internet Access 83%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 ACS

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Planning and Service Area (PSA) 11 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	38
Operating Rooms	106
Recovery Beds	330

Source: Florida AHCA, 2025

Hospitals	Value
Hospitals	40
Hospitals with Skilled Nursing Units	0
Hospital Beds	10,172
Skilled Nursing Unit Beds	0

Source: Florida AHCA, 2025

Medical Professionals	Value
Medical Doctors	
Licensed	9,221
Limited License	1
Critical Need Area License	182
Restricted	0
Medical Faculty Certification	17
Public Health Certificate	0

Other Professionals	
Licensed Podiatric Physicians	210
Licensed Osteopathic Physicians	826
Dentists	2,358
Licensed Registered Nurses	39,253
Pharmacies	743

Source: Florida Department of Health, 2025

Assisted Living Facility	Value
Total ALF Beds	10,107
Optional State Supplementation (OSS) Beds	6,840
Non-OSS Beds	3,267
Total ALF Facilities	809
Facilities with Extended Congregate Care License	7
Facilities with Limited Mental Health License	461
Facilities with Limited Nursing Service License	40

Source: Florida AHCA, 2025

Medically Underserved	Value	Percent
Total Medically Underserved	13,558	2%
Living in Areas Defined as Having Medically Underserved Populations	10,338	1%
Living in Medically Underserved Areas	3,220	0%

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

Health Insurance 65+	Value	Percent
Insured	451,756	98%
Uninsured	10,258	2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 ACS

Disability Status (65+)	Value	Percent
With One Type of Disability	65,650	13%
With Two or More Disabilities	84,206	16%

Total With Any Disability	Value	Percent
Hearing	41,521	8%
Vision	31,681	6%
Cognitive	48,511	9%
Ambulatory	99,043	19%
Self-Care	44,566	9%
Independent Living	69,320	13%
With No Disabilities	328,080	63%
Probable Alzheimer's Cases, 2023 Projection (65+)	54,119	10%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019-2023 ACS, 2023 One-Year Estimate

Medicaid & Medicare Beneficiaries	Value	Percent
60+ Medicaid Eligible	243,163	32%
60+ Dual Eligible	214,822	93%

Source: Florida AHCA, 2024

Adult Day Care (ADC)	Value
ADC Facilities	257
Capacity	15,706

Source: Florida AHCA, 2025

Home Health Agencies	Value
Agencies	442
Medicaid Certified Agencies	4
Medicare Certified Agencies	78
Homemaker and Companion Service Companies	223

Source: Florida AHCA, 2025

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Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Use	Value
SNFs With Beds	56
Community Beds	55
Sheltered Beds	2
Veterans Administration Beds	0
Other Beds	0
SNF Beds	8,514
Community Beds	8,474
Sheltered Beds	114
Veterans Administration Beds	0
Other Beds	0
SNFs With Community Beds	55
Community Bed Days	3,100,575
Community Patient Days	2,803,581
Medicaid Patient Days	1,879,141
Occupancy Rate	90%
Percent Medicaid	67%

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, 2025

Emergency Medical Services (EMS)	Value
Providers	31
EMS providers include air ambulances and ambulances with Basic Life Support (BLS) or Advanced Life Support (ALS).	
Source: Florida Department of Health, 2025	

Adult Family Care Homes	Value
Homes	6
Beds	30
Source: Florida AHCA, 2025	

Memory Disorder Clinics	Value
Total	3
Source: Florida DOEA's Department Overview, 2024	

Dialysis	Value
End-Stage Renal Disease Centers	73
Source: Florida AHCA, 2024	

Planning and Service Area (PSA) 11 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 seniors and medically fragile adults in emergencies.

Electricity-Dependent	Value
Medicare Beneficiary	19,738
Medicaid Beneficiary	609

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

Medicaid beneficiaries are individuals age 60 to 64.

Source: Florida AHCA, U.S. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 2024, and U.S. Department of Health

Shelter Resources	Value
Number of General Shelters	192
General Shelter Max Capacity in People	94,163
Number of Special Needs Shelters	9
Special Needs Shelters Max Capacity in People	2,603
Source: FDEM, 2024	

Evacuation Zones	Value	Percent
DOEA HCBS Clients	14,464	100%
Zone A	211	1%
Zone B	2,536	18%
Zone C	1,206	8%
Zone D	3,179	22%
Zone E	3,128	22%
Lives in an Evac Zone and Has Memory Problems*	1,895	13%
Lives in an Evac Zone and Lives Alone*	4,788	33%

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.

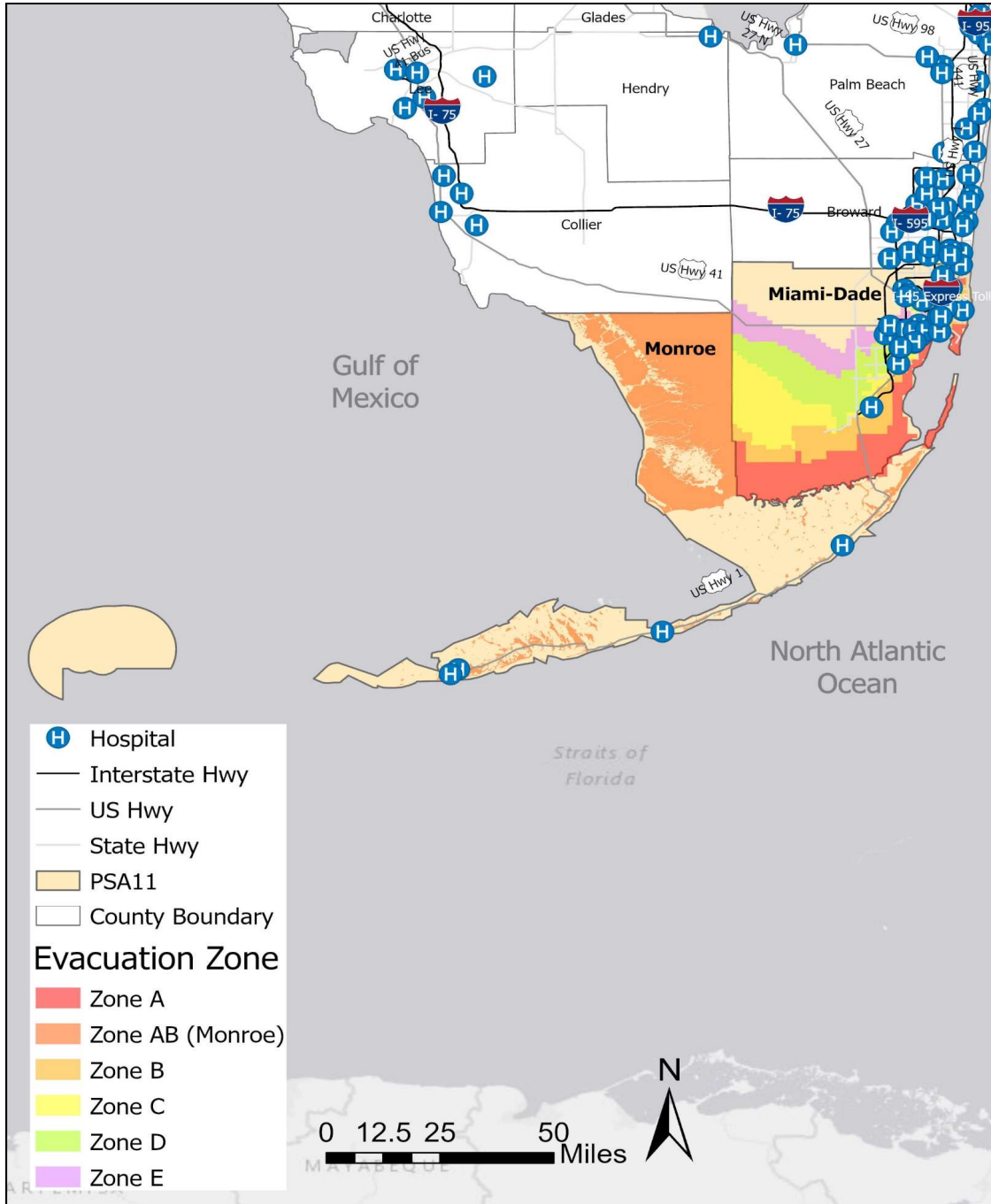
*Note: There are additional county-specific evacuation zones not listed on this table.

Source: Florida DOEA eCIRTS, 2025; ACS, Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM), 2024

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 Source: FDEM, 2024