The Real Cost Measure (RCM) estimates the amount of income required to meet basic needs (the “Real Cost Budget”) for a given household type in a specific community. The Real Cost Measure builds a bare-bones budget that reflects constrained yet reasonable choices for essential expenses: housing, food, transportation, health care, taxes and child care.

If any results show blank values, that indicates the sample size is too small to illustrate Real Cost Measure results. Per our methodology, estimates with a cell size of greater than 5,000 are assumed to be accurate within +/-1% based on design factor analysis. Cell sizes less than 5,000 are suppressed.

### Inland Empire

**The Real Cost Measure in California 2021**

#### Key Findings:

- **# of Households below Real Cost Measure:** 383,098
- **% of Households below Real Cost Measure:** 34%
- **% of Households below Real Cost Measure with at least 1 Working Adult:** 97%

#### Annual Income Comparison

**Median Adjusted HH Income:** $73,235

**2 Minimum Wage Jobs:** $76,972

**Supplemental Poverty Measure:** $48,000

**Median Poverty Threshold:** $35,241

*based on $12.00 per hour, 40 hours per week, 50 weeks per year.

#### Household Budgets

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#### Education

- **Less than High School:** 89,096 (59%)
- **High School Diploma or Equivalent:** 106,758 (42%)
- **Some College, Assoc. or Voc.:** 135,601 (31%)
- **College degree or higher:** 51,653 (15%)

#### Ethnicity

- **Latino:** 222,397 (42%)
- **African American:** 27,485 (32%)
- **Asian American/Pacific Islander:** 26,966 (28%)
- **White:** 103,776 (22%)
- **Native American/Alaska Native:**

#### Household Type

- **Single Mothers:** 74,176 (70%)
- **Seniors:** 43,835 (24%)
- **Married Couples:** 173,111 (33%)
- **Informal Families:** 47,793 (27%)

#### Citizenship/Nativity

- **Foreign Born, Non-Citizen:** 77,719 (61%)
- **Foreign Born, Naturalized:** 75,889 (37%)
- **Born a US Citizen:** 229,490 (29%)

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*Findings drawn from The Real Cost Measure in California 2021, by United Ways of California in partnership with B3 Consults. Data calculated for this geographic profile is from 2019. For detailed methodology, visit [http://unitedwaysca.org/realcost](http://unitedwaysca.org/realcost).*