COLAs granted from 1999 - 2020
Compared to SSI and CPI-U

Note: 2010, 2011, 2016 and 2018 were the only years a COLA has not been granted for Social Security since 1975.
Overall Increase in LASERS COLAS
Compared to Social Security COLAs and CPI-U

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CPI-U

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Value of LASERS Benefit with COLAs

Compared to Social Security Benefit with COLAs and CPI-U

*Based upon an initial $1,000 benefit
LASERS Retirees with a Benefit at or Below the Poverty Threshold

- **Under Age 65**
  - Poverty Threshold: $13,300
  - LASERS Retirees: $8,967
  - 2,762 Retirees

- **Age 65 & Older**
  - Poverty Threshold: $12,261
  - LASERS Retirees: $8,187
  - 8,970 Retirees

*US Census Data, 2019*  
*LASERS FY 2019 Data*