

value of meals or milk to children shall not be considered as income to their households for other benefit programs in accordance with the prohibitions in section 12(e) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act and section 11(b) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 1760(e) and 1780(b)).

The Income Eligibility Guidelines

The following are the Income Eligibility Guidelines to be effective from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. The Department's guidelines for free meals and milk and reduced price meals were obtained by multiplying the year 2015 Federal income poverty guidelines by 1.30 and 1.85, respectively, and by

rounding the result upward to the next whole dollar.

This notice displays only the annual Federal poverty guidelines issued by the Department of Health and Human Services because the monthly and weekly Federal poverty guidelines are not used to determine the Income Eligibility Guidelines. The chart details the free and reduced price eligibility criteria for monthly income, income received twice monthly (24 payments per year), income received every two weeks (26 payments per year) and weekly income.

Income calculations are made based on the following formulas: Monthly

income is calculated by dividing the annual income by 12; twice monthly income is computed by dividing annual income by 24; income received every two weeks is calculated by dividing annual income by 26; and weekly income is computed by dividing annual income by 52. All numbers are rounded upward to the next whole dollar. The numbers reflected in this notice for a family of four in the 48 contiguous States, the District of Columbia, Guam and the territories represent an increase of 1.7 percent over last year's level for a family of the same size. The income eligibility guidelines table follows below.

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES
[Effective from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016]

| Household size | Federal poverty guidelines | Reduced price meals—185% | | | | | Free meals—130% | | | | |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | Annual | Monthly | Twice per month | Every two weeks | Weekly | Annual | Monthly | Twice per month | Every two weeks | Weekly |
| | | Annual | Annual | Monthly | Twice per month | Every two weeks | Weekly | Annual | Monthly | Twice per month | Every two weeks |
| 48 Contiguous States, District of Columbia, Guam and Territories | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 11,770 | 21,775 | 1,815 | 908 | 838 | 419 | 15,301 | 1,276 | 638 | 589 | 295 |
| 2 | 15,930 | 29,471 | 2,456 | 1,228 | 1,134 | 567 | 20,709 | 1,726 | 863 | 797 | 399 |
| 3 | 20,090 | 37,167 | 3,098 | 1,549 | 1,430 | 715 | 26,117 | 2,177 | 1,089 | 1,005 | 503 |
| 4 | 24,250 | 44,863 | 3,739 | 1,870 | 1,726 | 863 | 31,525 | 2,628 | 1,314 | 1,213 | 607 |
| 5 | 28,410 | 52,559 | 4,380 | 2,190 | 2,022 | 1,011 | 36,933 | 3,078 | 1,539 | 1,421 | 711 |
| 6 | 32,570 | 60,255 | 5,022 | 2,511 | 2,318 | 1,159 | 42,341 | 3,529 | 1,765 | 1,629 | 815 |
| 7 | 36,730 | 67,951 | 5,663 | 2,832 | 2,614 | 1,307 | 47,749 | 3,980 | 1,990 | 1,837 | 919 |
| 8 | 40,890 | 75,647 | 6,304 | 3,152 | 2,910 | 1,455 | 53,157 | 4,430 | 2,215 | 2,045 | 1,023 |
| For each additional family member add | 4,160 | 7,696 | 642 | 321 | 296 | 148 | 5,408 | 451 | 226 | 208 | 104 |
| Alaska | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 14,720 | 27,232 | 2,270 | 1,135 | 1,048 | 524 | 19,136 | 1,595 | 798 | 736 | 368 |
| 2 | 19,920 | 36,852 | 3,071 | 1,536 | 1,418 | 709 | 25,896 | 2,158 | 1,079 | 996 | 498 |
| 3 | 25,120 | 46,472 | 3,873 | 1,937 | 1,788 | 894 | 32,656 | 2,722 | 1,361 | 1,256 | 628 |
| 4 | 30,320 | 56,092 | 4,675 | 2,338 | 2,158 | 1,079 | 39,416 | 3,285 | 1,643 | 1,516 | 758 |
| 5 | 35,520 | 65,712 | 5,476 | 2,738 | 2,528 | 1,264 | 46,176 | 3,848 | 1,924 | 1,776 | 888 |
| 6 | 40,720 | 75,332 | 6,278 | 3,139 | 2,898 | 1,449 | 52,936 | 4,412 | 2,206 | 2,036 | 1,018 |
| 7 | 45,920 | 84,952 | 7,080 | 3,540 | 3,268 | 1,634 | 59,696 | 4,975 | 2,488 | 2,296 | 1,148 |
| 8 | 51,120 | 94,572 | 7,881 | 3,941 | 3,638 | 1,819 | 66,456 | 5,538 | 2,769 | 2,556 | 1,278 |
| For each additional family member add | 5,200 | 9,620 | 802 | 401 | 370 | 185 | 6,760 | 564 | 282 | 260 | 130 |
| Hawaii | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 13,550 | 25,068 | 2,089 | 1,045 | 965 | 483 | 17,615 | 1,468 | 734 | 678 | 339 |
| 2 | 18,330 | 33,911 | 2,826 | 1,413 | 1,305 | 653 | 23,829 | 1,986 | 993 | 917 | 459 |
| 3 | 23,110 | 42,754 | 3,563 | 1,782 | 1,645 | 823 | 30,043 | 2,504 | 1,252 | 1,156 | 578 |
| 4 | 27,890 | 51,597 | 4,300 | 2,150 | 1,985 | 993 | 36,257 | 3,022 | 1,511 | 1,395 | 698 |
| 5 | 32,670 | 60,440 | 5,037 | 2,519 | 2,325 | 1,163 | 42,471 | 3,540 | 1,770 | 1,634 | 817 |
| 6 | 37,450 | 69,283 | 5,774 | 2,887 | 2,665 | 1,333 | 48,685 | 4,058 | 2,029 | 1,873 | 937 |
| 7 | 42,230 | 78,126 | 6,511 | 3,256 | 3,005 | 1,503 | 54,899 | 4,575 | 2,288 | 2,112 | 1,056 |
| 8 | 47,010 | 86,969 | 7,248 | 3,624 | 3,345 | 1,673 | 61,113 | 5,093 | 2,547 | 2,351 | 1,176 |
| For each additional family member add | 4,780 | 8,843 | 737 | 369 | 341 | 171 | 6,214 | 518 | 259 | 239 | 120 |

Authority: Section 9(b)(1) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(b)(1)).

Date: March 26, 2015.

Jeffrey J. Tribiano,

Acting Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC): Income Eligibility Guidelines

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), USDA.

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Agriculture (“Department”) announces adjusted income eligibility guidelines to be used by State agencies in determining the income eligibility of persons applying to participate in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC). These income eligibility guidelines are to be used in conjunction with the WIC Regulations.

DATES: Effective Date July 1, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Executive Order 12866

This notice is exempt from review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

This action is not a rule as defined by the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601-612) and thus is exempt from the provisions of this Act.

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

This notice does not contain reporting or recordkeeping requirements subject to approval by the Office of Management and Budget in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507).

Executive Order 12372

This program is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Programs under No. 10.557, and is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials (7 CFR part 3015, subpart V, 48 FR 29100, June 24, 1983, and 49 FR 22675, May 31, 1984).

Description

Section 17(d)(2)(A) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, as amended (42

U.S.C. 1786(d)(2)(A)), requires the Secretary of Agriculture to establish income criteria to be used with nutritional risk criteria in determining a person's eligibility for participation in the WIC Program. The law provides that persons will be income-eligible for the WIC Program only if they are members of families that satisfy the income standard prescribed for reduced-price school meals under section 9(b) of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1758(b)). Under section 9(b), the income limit for reduced-price school meals is 185 percent of the Federal poverty guidelines, as adjusted. Section 9(b) also requires that these guidelines be revised annually to reflect changes in the Consumer Price Index. The annual revision for 2015/2016 was published by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) at 80 FR 3236, January 22, 2015. The guidelines published by HHS are referred to as the "poverty guidelines."

Section 246.7(d)(1) of the WIC regulations (Title 7, Code of Federal Regulations) specifies that State agencies may prescribe income guidelines either equaling the income guidelines established under section 9 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act for reduced-price school meals, or identical to State or local guidelines for free or reduced-price health care. However, in conforming WIC income guidelines to State or local health care guidelines, the State cannot establish WIC guidelines

which exceed the guidelines for reduced-price school meals, or which are less than 100 percent of the Federal poverty guidelines. Consistent with the method used to compute income eligibility guidelines for reduced-price meals under the National School Lunch Program, the poverty guidelines were multiplied by 1.85 and the results rounded upward to the next whole dollar. At this time, the Department is publishing the maximum and minimum WIC income eligibility guidelines by household size for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016. Consistent with section 17(f)(17) of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1786(f)(17)), a State agency may implement the revised WIC income eligibility guidelines concurrently with the implementation of income eligibility guidelines under the Medicaid Program established under Title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396, *et seq.*). State agencies may coordinate implementation with the revised Medicaid guidelines, *i.e.*, earlier in the year, but in no case may implementation take place later than July 1, 2015.

State agencies that do not coordinate implementation with the revised Medicaid guidelines must implement the WIC income eligibility guidelines on July 1, 2015. The first table of this Notice contains the income limits by household size for the 48 contiguous States, the District of Columbia, and all Territories, including Guam.

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES
[Effective from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016]

| Household size | Federal poverty guidelines—100% | | | | | Reduced price meals—185% | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------|---------|---------------|-----------|---------|--------------------------|---------|---------------|-----------|---------|
| | Annual | Monthly | Twice-monthly | Bi-weekly | Weekly | Annual | Monthly | Twice-monthly | Bi-weekly | Weekly |
| 48 Contiguous States, D.C., Guam and Territories | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | \$11,770 | \$981 | \$491 | \$453 | \$227 | \$21,775 | \$1,815 | \$908 | \$838 | \$419 |
| 2 | 15,930 | 1,328 | 664 | 613 | 307 | 29,471 | 2,456 | 1,228 | 1,134 | 567 |
| 3 | 20,090 | 1,675 | 838 | 773 | 387 | 37,167 | 3,098 | 1,549 | 1,430 | 715 |
| 4 | 24,250 | 2,021 | 1,011 | 933 | 467 | 44,863 | 3,739 | 1,870 | 1,726 | 863 |
| 5 | 28,410 | 2,368 | 1,184 | 1,093 | 547 | 52,559 | 4,380 | 2,190 | 2,022 | 1,011 |
| 6 | 32,570 | 2,715 | 1,358 | 1,253 | 627 | 60,255 | 5,022 | 2,511 | 2,318 | 1,159 |
| 7 | 36,730 | 3,061 | 1,531 | 1,413 | 707 | 67,951 | 5,663 | 2,832 | 2,614 | 1,307 |
| 8 | 40,890 | 3,408 | 1,704 | 1,573 | 787 | 75,647 | 6,304 | 3,152 | 2,910 | 1,455 |
| Each add'l family member add | + \$4,160 | + \$347 | + \$174 | + \$160 | + \$80 | + \$7,696 | + \$642 | + \$321 | + \$296 | + \$148 |
| Alaska | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | \$14,720 | \$1,227 | \$614 | \$567 | \$284 | \$27,232 | \$2,270 | \$1,135 | \$1,048 | \$524 |
| 2 | 19,920 | 1,660 | 830 | 767 | 384 | 36,852 | 3,071 | 1,536 | 1,418 | 709 |
| 3 | 25,120 | 2,094 | 1,047 | 967 | 484 | 46,472 | 3,873 | 1,937 | 1,788 | 894 |
| 4 | 30,320 | 2,527 | 1,264 | 1,167 | 584 | 56,092 | 4,675 | 2,338 | 2,158 | 1,079 |
| 5 | 35,520 | 2,960 | 1,480 | 1,367 | 684 | 65,712 | 5,476 | 2,738 | 2,528 | 1,264 |
| 6 | 40,720 | 3,394 | 1,697 | 1,567 | 784 | 75,332 | 6,278 | 3,139 | 2,898 | 1,449 |
| 7 | 45,920 | 3,827 | 1,914 | 1,767 | 884 | 84,952 | 7,080 | 3,540 | 3,268 | 1,634 |
| 8 | 51,120 | 4,260 | 2,130 | 1,967 | 984 | 94,572 | 7,881 | 3,941 | 3,638 | 1,819 |
| Each add'l family member add | + \$5,200 | + \$434 | + \$217 | + \$200 | + \$100 | + \$9,620 | + \$802 | + \$401 | + \$370 | + \$185 |
| Hawaii | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | \$13,550 | \$1,130 | \$565 | \$522 | \$261 | \$25,068 | \$2,089 | \$1,045 | \$965 | \$483 |

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES—Continued
[Effective from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016]

| Household size | Federal poverty guidelines—100% | | | | | Reduced price meals—185% | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------|---------------|-----------|--------|--------------------------|---------|---------------|-----------|---------|
| | Annual | Monthly | Twice-monthly | Bi-weekly | Weekly | Annual | Monthly | Twice-monthly | Bi-weekly | Weekly |
| 2 | 18,330 | 1,528 | 764 | 705 | 353 | 33,911 | 2,826 | 1,413 | 1,305 | 653 |
| 3 | 23,110 | 1,926 | 963 | 889 | 445 | 42,754 | 3,563 | 1,782 | 1,645 | 823 |
| 4 | 27,890 | 2,325 | 1,163 | 1,073 | 537 | 51,597 | 4,300 | 2,150 | 1,985 | 993 |
| 5 | 32,670 | 2,723 | 1,362 | 1,257 | 629 | 60,440 | 5,037 | 2,519 | 2,325 | 1,163 |
| 6 | 37,450 | 3,121 | 1,561 | 1,441 | 721 | 69,283 | 5,774 | 2,887 | 2,665 | 1,333 |
| 7 | 42,230 | 3,520 | 1,760 | 1,625 | 813 | 78,126 | 6,511 | 3,256 | 3,005 | 1,503 |
| 8 | 47,010 | 3,918 | 1,959 | 1,809 | 905 | 86,969 | 7,248 | 3,624 | 3,345 | 1,673 |
| Each add'l family member add | + \$4,780 | + \$399 | + \$200 | + \$184 | + \$92 | + \$8,843 | + \$737 | + \$369 | + \$341 | + \$171 |

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES—SUPPLEMENTAL CHART FOR FAMILY SIZES GREATER THAN EIGHT
[Effective from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016]

| Household size | Federal poverty guidelines—100% | | | | | Reduced price meals—185% | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------|---------|---------------|-----------|---------|--------------------------|---------|---------------|-----------|---------|
| | Annual | Monthly | Twice-monthly | Bi-weekly | Weekly | Annual | Monthly | Twice-monthly | Bi-weekly | Weekly |
| 48 Contiguous States, D.C., Guam and Territories | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 | \$45,050 | \$3,755 | \$1,878 | \$1,733 | \$867 | \$83,343 | \$6,946 | \$3,473 | \$3,206 | \$1,603 |
| 10 | 49,210 | 4,101 | 2,051 | 1,893 | 947 | 91,039 | 7,587 | 3,794 | 3,502 | 1,751 |
| 11 | 53,370 | 4,448 | 2,224 | 2,053 | 1,027 | 98,735 | 8,228 | 4,114 | 3,798 | 1,899 |
| 12 | 57,530 | 4,795 | 2,398 | 2,213 | 1,107 | 106,431 | 8,870 | 4,435 | 4,094 | 2,047 |
| 13 | 61,690 | 5,141 | 2,571 | 2,373 | 1,187 | 114,127 | 9,511 | 4,756 | 4,390 | 2,195 |
| 14 | 65,850 | 5,488 | 2,744 | 2,533 | 1,267 | 121,823 | 10,152 | 5,076 | 4,686 | 2,343 |
| 15 | 70,010 | 5,835 | 2,918 | 2,693 | 1,347 | 129,519 | 10,794 | 5,397 | 4,982 | 2,491 |
| 16 | 74,170 | 6,181 | 3,091 | 2,853 | 1,427 | 137,215 | 11,435 | 5,718 | 5,278 | 2,639 |
| Each add'l family member add | + \$4,160 | + \$347 | + \$174 | + \$160 | + \$80 | + \$7,696 | + \$642 | + \$321 | + \$296 | + \$148 |
| Alaska | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 | \$56,320 | \$4,694 | \$2,347 | \$2,167 | \$1,084 | \$104,192 | \$8,683 | \$4,342 | \$4,008 | \$2,004 |
| 10 | 61,520 | 5,127 | 2,564 | 2,367 | 1,184 | 113,812 | 9,485 | 4,743 | 4,378 | 2,189 |
| 11 | 66,720 | 5,560 | 2,780 | 2,567 | 1,284 | 123,432 | 10,286 | 5,143 | 4,748 | 2,374 |
| 12 | 71,920 | 5,994 | 2,997 | 2,767 | 1,384 | 133,052 | 11,088 | 5,544 | 5,118 | 2,559 |
| 13 | 77,120 | 6,427 | 3,214 | 2,967 | 1,484 | 142,672 | 11,890 | 5,945 | 5,488 | 2,744 |
| 14 | 82,320 | 6,860 | 3,430 | 3,167 | 1,584 | 152,292 | 12,691 | 6,346 | 5,858 | 2,929 |
| 15 | 87,520 | 7,294 | 3,647 | 3,367 | 1,684 | 161,912 | 13,493 | 6,747 | 6,228 | 3,114 |
| 16 | 92,720 | 7,727 | 3,864 | 3,567 | 1,784 | 171,532 | 14,295 | 7,148 | 6,598 | 3,299 |
| Each add'l family member add | + \$5,200 | + \$434 | + \$217 | + \$200 | + \$100 | + \$9,620 | + \$802 | + \$401 | + \$370 | + \$185 |
| Hawaii | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 | \$51,790 | \$4,316 | \$2,158 | \$1,992 | \$996 | \$95,812 | \$7,985 | \$3,993 | \$3,686 | \$1,843 |
| 10 | 56,570 | 4,715 | 2,358 | 2,176 | 1,088 | 104,655 | 8,722 | 4,361 | 4,026 | 2,013 |
| 11 | 61,350 | 5,113 | 2,557 | 2,360 | 1,180 | 113,498 | 9,459 | 4,730 | 4,366 | 2,183 |
| 12 | 66,130 | 5,511 | 2,756 | 2,544 | 1,272 | 122,341 | 10,196 | 5,098 | 4,706 | 2,353 |
| 13 | 70,910 | 5,910 | 2,955 | 2,728 | 1,364 | 131,184 | 10,932 | 5,466 | 5,046 | 2,523 |
| 14 | 75,690 | 6,308 | 3,154 | 2,912 | 1,456 | 140,027 | 11,669 | 5,835 | 5,386 | 2,693 |
| 15 | 80,470 | 6,706 | 3,353 | 3,095 | 1,548 | 148,870 | 12,406 | 6,203 | 5,726 | 2,863 |
| 16 | 85,250 | 7,105 | 3,553 | 3,279 | 1,640 | 157,713 | 13,143 | 6,572 | 6,066 | 3,033 |
| Each add'l family member add | + \$4,780 | + \$399 | + \$200 | + \$184 | + \$92 | + \$8,843 | + \$737 | + \$369 | + \$341 | + \$171 |

Because the poverty guidelines for Alaska and Hawaii are higher than for the 48 contiguous States, separate tables for Alaska and Hawaii have been included for the convenience of the State agencies.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 1786.

Dated: March 26, 2015.

Jeffrey J. Tribiano,
Acting Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

**Agency Information Collection
Activities: Proposed Collection;
Comment Request—National Universal
Product Code (NUPC) Database**

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on this proposed information collection.

This is a revision of a currently approved collection for the development and maintenance of a central repository containing information about authorized WIC foods as approved by various WIC State agencies.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before June 1, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Comments are invited on:
(a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility;
(b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate