

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										
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.

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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
<b>48 Contiguous States, D.C., Guam and Territories</b>										
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
<b>Alaska</b>										
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
<b>Hawaii</b>										
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
<b>48 Contiguous States, D.C., Guam and Territories</b>										
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
<b>Alaska</b>										
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
<b>Hawaii</b>										
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,**  
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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