

# FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINES

Each year the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services issues Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG). These guidelines are used to determine financial eligibility for many programs. The 2003 guidelines are shown here. We have listed some of the commonly used percentages of FPG, along with some of the programs that use that income level.

**100% FPG** Children ages 6-18 with incomes equal to or less than 100% FPG meet the income eligibility requirements for the Medicaid program for Infants and Children (MIC). Older adults (65 or older) or people with disabilities meet the income requirements for the Medicaid program for the Aged, Blind and Disabled (AABD), and the MQB-Q programs (See Chapter 12).

Family Size	Annual Income	Monthly Income
1	\$8,980	\$749
2	12,120	\$1,010
3	15,260	\$1,272
4	18,400	\$1,534
5	21,540	\$1,795
6	24,680	\$2,057
7	27,820	\$2,319
8	30,960	\$2,580
Each additional person, add	+ \$3,140	+ \$262

**115% FPG** People with incomes less than or equal to 115% FPG meet income requirements for the Cancer Control Program (See Chapter 15).

Family Size	Annual Income	Monthly Income
1	\$10,327	\$861
2	13,938	1,162
3	17,549	1,463
4	21,160	1,764
5	24,771	2,065
6	28,382	2,366
7	31,993	2,667
8	35,604	2,967
Each additional person, add	+ \$3,611	+ \$301

**125% FPG** Individuals with incomes at or below 125% FPG meet income requirements for the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (See Chapter 15).

<b>Family Size</b>	<b>Annual Income</b>	<b>Monthly Income</b>
1	\$11,225	\$936
2	15,150	1,263
3	19,075	1,590
4	23,000	1,917
5	26,925	2,244
6	30,850	2,571
7	34,775	2,898
8	38,700	3,225
Each additional person, add	+ \$3,925	+ \$328

**133% FPG** Children ages 1-5 in families with incomes at or below 133% FPG meet income requirements for the Medicaid for Infants and Children Program (MIC) (See Chapter 12).

<b>Family Size</b>	<b>Annual Income</b>	<b>Monthly Income</b>
1	\$11,944	\$996
2	16,120	1,344
3	20,296	1,692
4	24,472	2,040
5	28,649	2,388
6	32,825	2,736
7	37,001	3,084
8	41,177	3,432
Each additional person, add	+ \$4,177	+ \$349

**135% FPG** Older adults (65 or older) and people with disabilities with incomes at or below 135% FPG meet income eligibility requirements for the MQB-B and MQB-E programs (See Chapter 12).

<b>Family Size</b>	<b>Annual Income</b>	<b>Monthly Income</b>
1	\$12,123	\$1,011
2	16,362	1,364

**150% FPG** Children with incomes at or below 150% of poverty level, but higher than Medicaid income requirements, meet financial eligibility requirements for the NC Health Choice program with no cost sharing. Children with incomes above 150% FPG, but equal to or less than 200% FPG are eligible for NC Health Choice with an annual enrollment fee and some copayments (See Chapter 13).

<b>Family Size</b>	<b>Annual Income</b>	<b>Monthly Income</b>
1	\$13,470	\$1,123
2	18,180	\$1,515
3	22,890	\$1,908
4	27,600	\$2,300
5	32,310	\$2,693
6	37,020	\$3,085
7	41,730	\$3,478
8	46,440	\$3,870
Each additional person, add	+ \$4,710	\$393

**185% FPG** Infants under age 1 in families with incomes at or below 185% FPG meet income requirements for the Medicaid for Infants and Children program (MIC). Pregnant women at or below this income meet the financial eligibility requirements for the Medicaid for Pregnant Women program (MPW) (See Chapter 12).

<b>Family Size</b>	<b>Annual Income</b>	<b>Monthly Income</b>
1	\$16,613	\$1,385
2	22,422	1,869
3	28,231	2,353
4	34,040	2,837
5	39,849	3,321
6	45,658	3,805
7	51,467	4,289
8	57,276	4,773
Each additional person, add	+ \$5,809	+ \$485

**200% FPG** Children in families with incomes at or below 200% FPG, but higher than Medicaid eligibility requirements, meet income requirements for NC Health Choice (See Chapter 13). In addition, some working disabled people with incomes equal to or less than 200% FPG can qualify for Medicaid M-WD program (See Chapter 12).

<b>Family Size</b>	<b>Annual Income</b>	<b>Monthly Income</b>
1	\$17,960	\$1,497
2	24,240	2,020
3	30,520	2,544
4	36,800	3,067
5	43,080	3,590
6	49,360	4,114
7	55,640	4,637
8	61,920	5,160
Each additional person, add	+ \$6,280	+ \$524

Updated information on federal poverty guidelines is available from the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Department of Health and Human Services: <http://aspe.hhs.gov>.