

Appendix B: 2023 Poverty Guidelines and Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL)

WIOA defines the term “low-income individual” as an individual whose total family annual income does not exceed the higher level of the poverty line, or 70% of the LLSIL.

The red highlighted LLSIL, also denoted with an asterisk (), is where the LLSIL is lower than the poverty guidelines. In these instances, **the poverty guidelines should be used** in determining low-income status.

| Family Size | Poverty Guideline | 70% of LLSIL Metro | 70% of LLSIL Non-Metro | 100% of LLSIL Metro | 100% of LLSIL Non-Metro |
|--|-------------------|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | \$14,580 | *\$11,112 | *\$10,674 | \$15,874 | \$15,249 |
| 2 | \$19,720 | *\$18,214 | *\$17,478 | \$26,021 | \$24,968 |
| 3 | \$24,860 | \$25,000 | *\$23,997 | \$35,714 | \$34,281 |
| 4 | \$30,000 | \$30,863 | *\$29,623 | \$44,089 | \$42,318 |
| 5 | \$35,140 | \$36,419 | *\$34,965 | \$52,028 | \$49,950 |
| 6 | \$40,280 | \$42,600 | \$40,889 | \$60,857 | \$58,413 |
| 7 | \$45,420 | \$48,781 | \$46,813 | \$69,686 | \$66,876 |
| 8 | \$50,560 | \$54,962 | \$52,737 | \$78,515 | \$75,339 |
| <i>For each additional family member</i> | \$5,140 | \$6,181 | \$5,924 | \$8,829 | \$8,463 |

The following counties are considered "Metro" for the purposes of LLSIL:

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|------------|----------|---------|---------------|------------|
| Benton | Dallas | Jasper | Madison | Scott |
| Black Hawk | Dubuque | Johnson | Mills | Story |
| Boone | Grundy | Jones | Polk | Warren |
| Bremer | Guthrie | Linn | Pottawattamie | Washington |
| | Harrison | | | Woodbury |

Legal References

- [88 FR 3424](#)
- [88 FR 29694](#)