WIOA Low-Income Guidelines

This web page has information on qualifying for programs and help under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). Interested people must meet certain requirements. To see if someone meets these requirements, Local Workforce Development Boards (Boards) look at their income. Boards use specific guidelines. One is from the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL). These guidelines are the Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL). The other guidelines are from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). They are the Poverty Guidelines. The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) updates this web page twice a year with the new amounts and dates. Boards use this information to decide who qualifies as low-income for WIOA in Texas.

DOL 70 percent LLSIL guidelines, effective April 17, 2024

HHS Poverty Guidelines, effective January 17, 2024

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The income levels currently in use to determine WIOA eligibility are below.

Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington Metropolitan Statistical Area

City of Dallas, Balance of Dallas County, City of Fort Worth, Balance of Tarrant County (Dallas–Fort Worth MSA)

Family	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	>8
Size									
Income	\$15,060.00	\$20,440.00	\$25,820.00	\$31,582.63	\$37,276.78	\$43,589.46	\$49,902.14	\$56,214.82	Add
									\$6,312.68
									for each
									person
									above 8.

Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land Metropolitan Statistical Area

Cities of Houston, The Woodlands, and Sugar Land

Family	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Size									
Income	\$15,060.00	\$20,440.00	\$25,820.00	\$31,200.00	\$36,580.00	\$42,593.70	\$48,766.19	\$54,938.69	Add
									\$6,172.50
									for each
									person
									above 8.

Texas Metro

South Plains, Middle Rio Grande, and Deep East Texas workforce development areas

Family	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Size									
Income	\$15,060.00	\$20,440.00	\$26,621.56	\$32,866.92	\$38,790.62	\$45,368.00	\$51,945.37	\$58,522.74	Add \$6,577.37 for each person above 8.

Texas Non-Metro

All Other Areas

Family	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Size									
Income	\$15,060.00	\$20,440.00	\$25,820.00	\$31,684.32	\$37,390.44	\$43,727.15	\$50,063.85	\$56,400.56	Add
									\$6,336.71
									for each
									person
									above 8.

Resources

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

WIOA Minimum Self-Sufficiency Wage Levels

WIOA Eligible Training Providers

Target Occupations

Previous Low-Income Guidelines

Older versions of the income guidelines can be used for monitoring and to verify income eligibility for participants during previous periods.

WIOA Income Guidelines in Effect January 17, 2024 – April 17, 2024

WIOA Income Guidelines in Effect January 19, 2023 - May 8, 2023

WIOA Income Guidelines in Effect April 5, 2022 - January 18, 2023

WIOA Income Guidelines in Effect January 21, 2022 - April 5, 2022

WIOA Income Guidelines in Effect April 8, 2021 - January 21, 2022

WIOA Income Guidelines in Effect January 27, 2021 - April 8, 2021

WIOA Income Guidelines in Effect March 16, 2020 - January 27, 2021

WIOA Income Guidelines in Effect January 16, 2020 - March 16, 2020

WIOA Income Guidelines in Effect May 28, 2019 - January 16, 2020

WIOA Income Guidelines in Effect February 1, 2019 - May 28, 2019

WIOA Income Guidelines in Effect May 28, 2018 - February 1, 2019

WIOA Income Guidelines in Effect May 23, 2017 - January 17, 2018