



Treatment of Current Child Support Payments

As of December 1998

State	Portion of Child Support Payments Disregarded for Eligibility and Benefit Determination Purposes	
Totals	31	None
	16	\$40 or \$50
	2	\$75 or \$100
	2	Varies
Alabama		None
Alaska		\$50
Arizona		None
Arkansas		None
California		\$50
Colorado		None
Connecticut		\$100
Delaware*		\$50
District of Columbia		None
Florida		None
Georgia*		None
Hawaii		None
Idaho		None
Illinois		\$50
Indiana		None
Iowa*		None
Kansas		\$40
Kentucky	All for applicants; None for recipients	
Louisiana		None
Maine*		\$50
Maryland		None
Massachusetts		\$50
Michigan		\$50
Minnesota		None
Mississippi		None

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State	
Missouri	None
Montana	None
Nebraska	None
Nevada	\$75
New Hampshire	None
New Jersey	\$50
New Mexico	\$50
New York	\$50
North Carolina	None
North Dakota	None
Ohio	None
Oklahoma	None
Oregon	None
Pennsylvania	\$50
Rhode Island	\$50
South Carolina*	None
South Dakota	None
Tennessee *	None
Texas	\$50
Utah	None
Vermont	\$50
Virginia	\$50
Washington	None
West Virginia*	None
Wisconsin	None for applicants; all for recipients
Wyoming	None

* Delaware, Georgia, Maine, South Carolina, and Tennessee allow recipients to use child support income to "fill the gap" between the state's maximum benefit and the income eligibility standard. Families with little or no other countable income (e.g., earnings) can receive some child support income without a reduction in their welfare benefit.

Iowa disregards \$50 in child support income for recipients who had been benefitting from a child support disregard under AFDC.

West Virginia does not disregard any child support payments, but families receiving child support qualify for an additional welfare payment equal to the child support payment, up to a maximum of \$50. This has the same effect as disregarding \$50 in child support income.