



Treatment of Earnings

As of December 1998

State	Portion of Applicant's Earnings that is Disregarded in Eligibility Determination	Portion of Recipient's Earnings that is Disregarded in Benefit Determination
Alabama	20%	100% for 3 months 20% in subsequent months
Alaska	\$90	\$150 and 1/3 of the remainder for 12 months \$150 and 25% of the remainder for the next 12 months \$150 and 20% of the remainder for the next 12 months \$150 and 15% of the remainder for the next 12 months \$150 and 10% of the remainder for the next 12 months
Arizona	\$90 and 30% of the remainder	\$90 and 30% of the remainder
Arkansas*	20%	20% and 50% of the remainder
California	\$90	\$225 and 50% of the remainder
Colorado	\$90	\$120 and 1/3 of the remainder for 4 months \$120 for the next 8 months \$90 in subsequent months
Connecticut	\$90	100% until earnings exceed federal poverty level
Delaware	\$90	\$120 and 1/3 of the remainder for 4 months \$120 for the next 8 months \$90 in subsequent months
District of Columbia	\$100	\$100 and 50% of the remainder

State	Portion of Applicant's Earnings that is Disregarded in Eligibility Determination	Portion of Recipient's Earnings that is Disregarded in Benefit Determination
Florida	\$90	\$200 and 50% of the remainder
Georgia	\$90	\$120 and 1/3 of the remainder for 4 months \$120 for the next 8 months \$90 in subsequent months
Hawaii	20%	20%, then \$200, then 36% of the remainder
Idaho	40%	40%
Illinois	\$90	67%
Indiana	\$90	\$120 and 1/3 of the remainder for 4 months \$120 for the next 8 months \$90 in subsequent months
Iowa	20%	20% and 50% of the remainder
Kansas	\$90	\$90 and 40% of the remainder
Kentucky	\$90	100% for 2 months \$120 and 1/3 of the remainder for the next 4 months \$120 for the next 8 months \$90 in subsequent months
Louisiana	\$120	\$1,020 for 6 months \$120 in subsequent months
Maine*	Group 1: \$150 and 50% of the remainder Group 2: 20% and \$134 of the remainder	Group 1: \$150 and 50% of the remainder Group 2: 20% and \$134 of the remainder

State	Portion of Applicant's Earnings that is Disregarded in Eligibility Determination	Portion of Recipient's Earnings that is Disregarded in Benefit Determination
Maryland*	20%	26%
Massachusetts	\$90	\$120 and 50% of the remainder
Michigan	\$200 and 20% of the remainder	\$200 and 20% of the remainder
Minnesota	18%	36%
Mississippi	\$90	100% for 6 months for some families** \$90 in other months
Missouri*	\$90	\$120 and 1/3 of the remainder for 4 months \$120 for the next 8 months \$90 in subsequent months
Montana	\$200	\$200 and 25% of the remainder for 24 months \$100 in subsequent months
Nebraska	20%	20%
Nevada	\$90 or 20%, whichever is greater	100% for 3 months 50% for the next 9 months Greater of \$90 or 20% in subsequent months
New Hampshire	20%	50%
New Jersey	None	100% for 1 month 50% in subsequent months
New Mexico	\$150 and 50% of the remainder	\$150 and 50% of the remainder
New York*	\$90	\$90 and 45% of the remainder

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North Carolina*	\$90	\$120 and 1/3 of the remainder for 4 months \$120 for the next 8 months \$90 in subsequent months
North Dakota	\$90 or 27%, whichever is greater	Greater of \$90 or 27%, and 50% of the "employment incentive limit" for 8 months** Greater of \$90 or 27%, and 30% of the "employment incentive limit" for 2 months Greater of \$90 or 27%, and 10% of the "employment incentive limit" for 2 months Greater of \$90 or 27% in subsequent months
Ohio*	\$250 and 50% of the remainder	\$250 and 50% of the remainder for 18 months
Oklahoma	\$120 and 50% of the remainder	\$120 and 50% of the remainder
Oregon	50%	50%
Pennsylvania	\$90	50%
Rhode Island	\$170 and 50% of the remainder	\$170 and 50% of the remainder
South Carolina	50%	50% for 4 months \$100 in subsequent months
South Dakota	\$90 and 20% of the remainder	\$90 and 20% of the remainder
Tennessee	\$150	\$150
Texas*	\$120 and 1/3 of the remainder	\$120 and 1/3 of the remainder for 4 months \$120 for the next 8 months \$90 in subsequent months

State	Portion of Applicant's Earnings that is Disregarded in Eligibility Determination	Portion of Recipient's Earnings that is Disregarded in Benefit Determination
Utah	\$100	\$100 and 50% of the remainder
Vermont	\$90	\$150 and 25% of the remainder
Virginia	\$90	\$120 and 1/3 of the remainder for 4 months** \$120 for the next 8 months \$90 in subsequent months
Washington	50%	50%
West Virginia	40%	40%
Wisconsin	None	None
Wyoming	\$200	\$200

NOTES

In a small number of states, the treatment of earnings is different for various groups of families. The information in this table reflects the treatment of earnings for the largest group of families in the state.

States marked with one asterisk (*) have changed their treatment of earnings for either applicants or recipients (or both) in 1999.

Mississippi: The 100% disregard is available only if families obtain full-time employment within 30 days of initial receipt of TANF or within 30 days following start of participation in work activities.

North Dakota: The maximum "employment incentive limit" is \$184.

Virginia: The benefit rules for participants in Virginia's welfare reform program (i.e., those subject to the state time limit) allow families to continue receiving benefits until countable earned income (after the work expense deduction and earned income disregard) reached the federal poverty line. This is done through "fill-the-gap" budgeting and not through an earned income disregard.