



Child Care for Low Income Families:

State Income Eligibility for Assistance Funded under the Child Care Development Fund

As of October 1999

State	<u>Which Families May Receive Subsidies?</u>		<u>Income Eligibility Guidelines (family of three)</u>			
	Working	In Education/Training	Initial Monthly Income	FPL Equivalent	Max Monthly Income	FPL Equivalent
Totals	51	36 Yes 15 No	Range: \$1446 - \$3817	Range: 125% - 330%	Range: \$1446 - \$3817	Range: 125% - 330%
Alabama	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$1504	130 %	\$2313	200 %
Alaska	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	85 % of SMI which is \$3694	255 %	Same as initial limit	
Arizona	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	165 % of FPL which is \$1909 Must be employed for at least a month with an average of 20 hours per week, unless a teen parent	165 % Priority for families under 100% of FPL	Same as initial limit	
Arkansas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$1533	133 %	Same as initial limit	

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California	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	75 % of SMI which is \$2821 Must be in a county approved post-CalWORKs plan for education or eligible through a community college funding stream	244 %	Same as initial limit	
Colorado	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	185 % of FPL which is \$2139 Counties may set guidelines up to this limit.	185 %	Same as initial limit	
Connecticut	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	75 % of SMI which is \$3818	330 %	Same as initial limit	
Delaware	2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	155 % of FPL which is \$1793	155 %	Same as initial limit
Dist of Columbia		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$2326 Must be in job oriented training for maximum of 20 hours per week during child care hours	201 %	Same as initial limit	
Florida	3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	150 % of FPL which is \$1706	150 %	185 % of FPL which is \$2140
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Georgia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$2023	175 %	Same as initial limit	
		May be in vocational programs or seeking a high school diploma/GED				
Hawaii	4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	240 % of FPL which is \$3192	240 %	Same as initial limit
Idaho		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	147 % of FPL which is \$1706	147 %	Same as initial limit
Illinois		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	50 % of SMI which is \$1818	157 %	Same as initial limit
		Must work 20 hours per week; capped program				
Indiana		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	143 % of FPL which is \$1654	143 %	181 % of FPL which is \$2094 At county discretion
Iowa		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	155 % of FPL which is \$1793 175% of FPL for special needs children	155 %	Same as initial limit
Kansas		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	185 % of FPL which is \$2139	185 %	Same as initial limit
Kentucky		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	160 % of FPL which is \$1851	160 %	Same as initial limit
Louisiana		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	75 % of SMI which is \$2420	209 %	Same as initial limit

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Maine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	85 % of SMI which is \$2894	250 %	Same as initial limit	
Maryland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$1870	162 %	Same as initial limit	
Massachusetts ⁵	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	50 % of SMI which is \$1931	167 %	85 % of SMI which is \$3213	278 %
Michigan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$2172	188 %	Same as initial limit	
Minnesota	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	75 % of SMI which is \$3181	275 %	Same as initial limit	
Mississippi	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$2333	202 %	Same as initial limit	
	Must work 20 hours per week if a single parent; must work 55 hours per week total combined for two-parent families	College students must work a minimum of 19 hours per week and provide documentation of their academic program to be eligible for full-time care.				
Missouri	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$1482	128 %	Same as initial limit	
Montana	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	150 % of FPL which is \$1735	150 %	Same as initial limit	
Nebraska	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	182 % of FPL which is \$2105	182 %	Same as initial limit	

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Nevada 6	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	75 % of SMI which is \$2675	231 %	Same as initial limit	
New Hampshire	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	190 % of FPL which is \$2198	190 %	Same as initial limit	
	Also available for job search	For no more than two years				
New Jersey 7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	150 % of FPL which is \$1735	150 %	250 % of FPL which is \$2892	250 %
New Mexico	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	82.5% of SMI which is \$2313	200 %	Same as initial limit	
New York	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	202 % of FPL which is \$2338 Counties may set guidelines up to this limit.	202 %	Same as initial limit	
North Carolina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	75 % of SMI which is \$2719	235 %	Same as initial limit	
North Dakota	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	85 % of SMI which is \$2445	211 %	Same as initial limit	
Ohio	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	182 % of FPL which is \$2105	182 %	Same as initial limit	

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Oklahoma	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$1936	167 %	Same as initial limit	
	Must be an absence of a suitable alternative caregiver; must pursue all other potential income sources	May not be at the post-graduate level; in two-parent families one must be employed or in high school while other is in education/training				
Oregon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	181 % of FPL which is \$2088	181 %	Same as initial limit	
Pennsylvania	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	185 % of FPL which is \$2140	185 %	235 % of FPL which is \$2718	235 %
	Must work 25 hours per week					
Rhode Island	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	225 % of FPL which is \$2603	225 %	Same as initial limit	
South Carolina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	125 % of FPL which is \$1446	125 %	175 % of FPL which is \$2024	175 %
South Dakota	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	150 % of FPL which is \$1735	150 %	Same as initial limit	
	Must first meet the work requirement					
Tennessee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	60 % of SMI which is \$2027	175 %	Same as initial limit	
	Must work 20 hours					

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Texas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	85 % of SMI which is \$2740 Local workforce development boards may set guidelines up to this limit.	237 %	Same as initial limit	
Utah	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	\$1794	155 %	Same as initial limit	
Vermont	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	83 % of SMI which is \$2586	224 %	Same as initial limit	
Virginia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	185 % of FPL which is \$2140 Localities may set guidelines up to this limit.	185 %	Same as initial limit	
Washington 8	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	175 % of FPL which is \$2024 Must work 20 hours per week; no more than two years	175 %	Same as initial limit	
West Virginia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	150 % of FPL which is \$1735	150 %	Same as initial limit	
Wisconsin 9	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	165 % of FPL which is \$1909 Must be employed in unsubsidized employment for nine consecutive months and continue to be so employed	165 %	200 % of FPL which is \$2314	200 %

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Wyoming	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	133 % of FPL which is \$1539	133 %	Same as initial limit	

Notes: In this report, SPDP survey data were supplemented by Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) state plan data.

SMI = State Median Income; FPL = Federal Poverty Level (All calculations of FPL equivalent used 1999 standard of \$13,880 for a family of three)

1. Alaska's FPL is set higher than the 50 contiguous states and DC, in 1999 it was \$17,360 for a family of three.
2. Delaware's initial income limit rose to 200% of FPL in January 2000.
3. Florida allows an exception to the income limit for families receiving subsidy through the state's public/private Child Care Executive Partnership Program; families up to 200% of FPL are eligible.
4. Hawaii's FPL is set higher than the 48 contiguous states and DC; in 1999 it was \$15,970 for a family of three. The initial limit changed to \$3069 in 2000, based on family adjusted gross income only. In addition, the state uses SMI to set eligibility limits now.
5. Massachusetts raised initial (\$2276) and maximum (\$3869) income limits according to more recent SMI figures in May 2000.
6. Nevada's initial income limit rose to \$2798 in January 2000.
7. New Jersey's initial income limit rose to 200% of FPL in 2000.
8. Washington's initial income limit rose to 225% of FPL in 2000.
9. Wisconsin's initial income limit rose to 185% of FPL in March 2000.