

**ALABAMA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT SYSTEM**

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**GOVERNOR'S WORKFORCE INNOVATION DIRECTIVE NO. PY2014-12, Change 15**

**SUBJECT:** *State Reporting/Technical Assistance Guide for WIOA*

- 1. Purpose.** This Directive transmits the revised page Attachment A (Appendix A (A-1)) of the *State Reporting/Technical Assistance Guide for WIOA*, which contains the income chart to be used in determining whether individuals meet the low-income criteria of Title I of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).
- 2. Discussion.** Under Title I of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 (Public Law 113-128), the Secretary of Labor annually determines the Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) for uses described in the WIOA Law (including determining eligibility for youth). WIOA defines the term "Low Income Individual" as one who qualifies under various criteria, including an individual who received income for a six-month period that does not exceed the higher of the poverty line or 70 percent of the lower living standard income level. This issuance (Federal Register/Vol. 86, No. 67, April 9, 2021) provides the Secretary's annual Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) for 2021 and references the current 2021 Health and Human Services "Poverty Guidelines" (Federal Register/Vol. 86, No. 19, February 1, 2021). Please note that the Poverty Guidelines and LLSIL are in separate charts. **These income charts are to be used to determine low-income only. They are not to be confused with the issuance of the self-sufficiency income chart.**
- 3. Action.** Please replace the previously transmitted page Attachment A (A-1) in the *State Reporting/Technical Assistance Guide for WIOA* with the revised Page A-1 attached to this Directive. Subrecipients and staff should ensure that their respective eligibility certification staff uses the revised income chart in determining whether individuals meet the low-income criteria.

**These guidelines go into effect on the day they were published, April 9, 2021.** Any participant evaluated based on the prior Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) amounts on or after April 9, 2021, whose level of service was affected, may be re-evaluated.

**4. Contact.** Any questions regarding this Directive should be referred to Tammy Wilkinson, Workforce Development Division Director at 334-242-5300 or [tammy.wilkinson@commerce.alabama.gov](mailto:tammy.wilkinson@commerce.alabama.gov).

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**Date**

**Attachment:**

- **Revised Page Attachment A (Appendix (A-1))**

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**70% Lower Living Standard Income Level**

**Metropolitan Areas**

**Non-Metropolitan Areas**

Family Size	Income
1	\$9,897
2	\$16,217
3	\$22,258
4	\$27,479
5	\$32,432
6	\$37,931

Family Size	Income
1	\$9,616
2	\$15,753
3	\$21,620
4	\$26,689
5	\$31,496
6	\$36,833

For each additional family member above 6 add \$5,499.

For each additional family member above 6 add \$5,337.

Metropolitan Areas (updated 01/01/2015 and no changes as of 04/09/2021) Include:

Non-Metropolitan Areas Include:

Autauga, Baldwin, Bibb, Blount, Calhoun, Chilton, Colbert, Elmore, Etowah, Geneva, Hale, Henry, Houston, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Lee, Limestone, Lowndes, Madison, Mobile, Montgomery, Morgan, Pickens, Russell, Shelby, St. Clair, Tuscaloosa, and Walker

The other 38 Alabama counties.

**2021 Poverty Guidelines**

for the Contiguous 48 States and the District of Columbia

Family Size	Income
1	\$12,880
2	\$17,420
3	\$21,960
4	\$26,500
5	\$31,040
6	\$35,580
7	\$40,120
8	\$44,660

For each additional family member, add \$4,540.

Revision effective 04/09/2021 per Federal Register / Vol. 86, No. 67 (LLSIL) and Federal Register/ Vol. 86, No. 19 (HHS Poverty Guidelines dated 02/01/2021).