

OHIO WIC CERTIFICATION AND PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**210. Income Requirement**

An applicant/participant must meet specific income guidelines to participate in WIC. The sections which follow contain the Ohio WIC program income guidelines and definitions of an economic unit, earned income, and unearned income. These sections provide information about determining applicable income. This information includes treatment of public assistance income, income that is not counted, verification of earned and unearned income, and calculating countable income.

211. Ohio WIC Program Income Guidelines

Ohio WIC program income guidelines are based on FNS income guidelines for reduced-priced school meals established under Section 9 of the National School Lunch Act. FNS adjusts its income guidelines on or before July 1st of each year based on annual adjustments in the revised poverty income guidelines issued by the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). FNS multiplies the HHS poverty income guidelines and increment for each additional economic unit member by a factor of 1.85 and rounds the results upward to the nearest whole dollar amount. As a result of using this formula, the Ohio WIC program income guidelines are equal to 185% of the HHS poverty income guidelines.

In order to be eligible for WIC, the gross countable income of the economic unit, of which the applicant/participant is a member, must be less than or equal to the Ohio WIC program income guidelines for economic unit size provided in the chart on the following page.

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Economic Unit	Annual	Monthly	Twice Monthly	Biweekly	Weekly
1	\$27,861	\$2,322	\$1,161	\$1,072	\$536
2	37,814	3,152	1,576	1,455	728
3	47,767	3,981	1,991	1,838	919
4	57,720	4,810	2,405	2,220	1,110
5	67,673	5,640	2,820	2,603	1,302
6	77,626	6,469	3,235	2,986	1,493
7	87,579	7,299	3,650	3,369	1,685
8	97,532	8,128	4,064	3,752	1,876
9	107,485	8,958	4,479	4,135	2,068
10	117,438	9,787	4,894	4,517	2,259
11	127,391	10,616	5,308	4,900	2,450
12	137,344	11,446	5,723	5,283	2,642
13	147,297	12,275	6,138	5,666	2,833
14	157,250	13,105	6,553	6,049	3,025
15	167,203	19,934	6,967	6,431	3,216
16	177,156	14,763	7,382	6,814	3,407