



NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
DIVISION OF WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS

DWS POLICY STATEMENT NUMBER: PS 04-2014

Date: April 4, 2014

Subject: 2014 Lower Living Standard Income Level and
Rescission of Policy Statement PS 04-2013

From:

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Purpose: To transmit the income chart identifying the higher of the Federal Poverty Level Income Guidelines and the 70% Lower Living Standard Income Level guidelines. To rescind Policy Statement Number PS 04-2013 *2013 Lower Living Standard Income Level*.

Background: The U.S. Department of Labor published Lower Living Standard Income Level (LLSIL) in the Federal Register on March 27, 2014. The LLSIL is used for several purposes under the federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA). Specifically, WIA Section 101(25) defines the term “low income individual” for eligibility purposes, and Sections 127(b) (2)(C) and 132(b)(1)(B)(v)(IV) define the terms “disadvantaged youth” and “disadvantaged adult” in terms of the poverty line or LLSIL for State Formula Allotments. North Carolina and local Workforce Development Boards use the LLSIL for determining eligibility for youth and eligibility for employed Adult workers for certain WIA services. WIA (Public Law 105-220) Section 101(24) defines the LLSIL as “the income level (adjusted for regional, metropolitan, urban and rural differences and family size) determined annually by the U.S. Secretary of Labor based on the most recent lower living family budget issued by the Secretary.”

Action: The attached 2014 Income Chart is to be used to determine low-income status of applicants for WIA services as defined in the WIA Legislation at Section 101(25).

Effective Date: March 27, 2014

Expiration: Indefinite

Contact: Division Planners

Attachment

Adjusted Income Chart Identifying the Higher of the Federal Poverty Level Income Guidelines and the 70% Lower Living Standard Income Level Guidelines, Including Metropolitan and Non-Metropolitan

**Adjustments for Family Size Differences
(Chart Reflects 6 Months Income)**

Revised: April 1, 2014

Effective: March 27, 2014

FAMILY SIZE	NON-METROPOLITAN	METROPOLITAN		
1	\$5,835	\$5,835		
2	\$7,865	\$7,909		
3	\$9,945	\$10,856		
4	\$12,277	\$13,402		
5	\$14,488	\$15,818		
6	\$16,943	\$18,500		
FOR EACH ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBER ADD	\$2,455	\$2,682		
METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA COUNTIES				
Alamance County	Cumberland County	Haywood County	Nash County	Rockingham County
Alexander County	Davidson County	Henderson County	New Hanover County	Rowan County
Brunswick County	Davie County	Hoke County	Onslow County	Stokes County
Buncombe County	Durham County	Iredell County	Orange County	Union County
Burke County	Edgecombe County	Johnston County	Pamlico County	Wake County
Cabarrus County	Franklin County	Jones County	Pender County	Wayne County
Caldwell County	Forsyth County	Lincoln County	Person County	Yadkin County
Catawba County	Gaston County	Madison County	Pitt County	
Chatham County	Guilford County	Mecklenburg County	Randolph County	