

## 😊 Job Aid: Income Guidelines

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**OREGON WIC PROGRAM**  
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**The WIC income standard is 185% of the federal poverty level.**

<u>Number of Person(s) in Household</u>	<b>Gross Household Income</b>		
	<i>Annual</i>	<i>Monthly</i>	<i>Weekly</i>
<b>1</b>	23,828	1,986	459
<b>2</b>	32,227	2,686	620
<b>3</b>	40,626	3,386	782
<b>4</b>	49,025	4,086	943
<b>5</b>	57,424	4,786	1,105
<b>6</b>	65,823	5,486	1,266
<b>7</b>	74,222	6,186	1,428
<b>8</b>	82,621	6,886	1,589
For each additional household member add:	+ 8,399	+ 700	+ 162

**Household:** A person or group of people, related or not, who usually (though not necessarily) live together, and whose income and consumption of goods or services are related and who are not residents of an institution. The key consideration in determining when individuals or groups are a household (or economic unit) is whether they generate the income which sustains them, i.e., room, board and medical care. When determining a household size, count all pregnant women as two, or more, for expected multiple births, unless a woman specifically waives the increase in number.

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**Income:** means gross income, including overtime, before deductions for income taxes, employees' social security taxes, insurance premiums, bonds, etc. The determination of the amount of a household's gross income shall not be considered reduced for any reason (e.g., financial hardships, medical bills, child support).

### **Income Includes:**

1. Cash from salary (including overtime), wages, fees.
2. Net income from farm and non-farm self-employment.
3. Social security.
4. Dividends or interest on savings or bonds, estates, trusts, or net rental income.
5. Public assistance or welfare payments.
6. Unemployment compensation.
7. Government civilian employee or military retirement payments, or veteran's payments.
8. Private pensions or annuities.
9. Alimony or child support payment.
10. Regular contributions from persons not living in the household.
11. Net royalties.
12. Student loan amounts *in excess* of attendance costs. Attendance costs are regular tuition and fees for students carrying at least a half-time workload as determined by the institution, and allowance for books, supplies, and transportation required by the course of study.
13. Other cash income or allowances from any resources that are readily available to the household.

Individuals who can prove they are certified as fully eligible for Medicaid (the Oregon Health Plan), TANF, Food Stamps or FDPIR are considered automatically income eligible for WIC.