

**SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
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Memorandum

To: Child and Adult Care Food Program Administrators
From: Mary A. Young, Director
 Child and Adult Care Food Program
Date: April 9, 2026
Subject: Income Eligibility Guidelines Effective July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027

Below are the Income Eligibility Guidelines for Free and Reduced-Priced Meals that are in effect for July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.

**INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES
FOR FREE AND REDUCED-PRICED MEALS**
 Effective July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027
 (Use for eligibility determinations and for public releases)

**ELIGIBILITY SCALE
FOR FREE MEALS**

**ELIGIBILITY SCALE
FOR REDUCED-PRICE MEALS**

| HOUSE-HOLD SIZE | PER YEAR | MONTHLY | TWICE PER MONTH | EVERY TWO WEEKS* | WEEKLY | HOUSE-HOLD SIZE | PER YEAR | MONTHLY | TWICE PER MONTH | EVERY TWO WEEKS* | WEEKLY |
|----------------------------|----------|---------|-----------------|------------------|--------|----------------------------|----------|---------|-----------------|------------------|--------|
| 1 | 20,478 | 1,729 | 865 | 798 | 399 | 1 | 29,526 | 2,461 | 1,231 | 1,136 | 568 |
| 2 | 28,132 | 2,345 | 1,173 | 1,082 | 541 | 2 | 40,034 | 3,337 | 1,669 | 1,540 | 770 |
| 3 | 35,516 | 2,960 | 1,480 | 1,366 | 683 | 3 | 50,542 | 4,212 | 2,106 | 1,944 | 972 |
| 4 | 42,900 | 3,575 | 1,788 | 1,650 | 825 | 4 | 61,050 | 5,088 | 2,544 | 2,249 | 1,175 |
| 5 | 50,284 | 4,191 | 2,096 | 1,934 | 967 | 5 | 71,558 | 5,964 | 2,982 | 2,679 | 1,340 |
| 6 | 57,668 | 4,806 | 2,403 | 2,218 | 1,109 | 6 | 82,066 | 6,839 | 3,420 | 3,157 | 1,579 |
| 7 | 65,052 | 5,421 | 2,711 | 2,502 | 1,251 | 7 | 92,574 | 7,715 | 3,858 | 3,561 | 1,781 |
| 8 | 72,436 | 6,037 | 3,019 | 2,786 | 1,393 | 8 | 103,082 | 8,591 | 4,296 | 3,965 | 1,983 |
| For each additional member | +7,384 | +616 | +308 | +284 | +142 | For each additional member | +10,508 | +876 | +438 | +405 | +203 |

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