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Go to *Cash Benefits, Cash Assistance, Qualifying for Cash Assistance, Income*, for an explanation of the NYC Monthly Cash Assistance Income Guidelines, as well as an explanation of the chart below.

**NYC Human Resources Administration (HRA)**
Monthly Cash Assistance Income Eligibility Chart and Benefit Amount
Households with dependent children

| HH Size | Basic CA Allowance | Home Energy Allowance | Maximum Shelter Allowance | Income Guidelines & Standard of Need (SON) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | $158 | $25.10 | $277.00 | $460.10 |
| 2 | $252 | $39.50 | $283.00 | $574.50 |
| 3 | $336 | $53.00 | $400.00 | $789.00 |
| 4 | $433 | $68.70 | $450.00 | $951.70 |
| 5 | $534 | $84.70 | $501.00 | $1,119.70 |
| 6 | $617 | $97.20 | $524.00 | $1,238.20 |
| 7 | $702 | $109.70 | $546.00 | $1,357.70 |
| 8 | $787 | $122.20 | $546.00 | $1,455.20 |

Add $85.00 for each additional person for Basic CA Allowance.
Add $12.50 for each additional person for Home Energy Allowance.

**NYC Human Resources Administration (HRA)**
Monthly Cash Assistance Income Eligibility Chart and Benefit Amount
for Households without Children

| HH Size | Basic CA Allowance | Home Energy Allowance | Maximum Shelter Allowance | Income Guidelines & Standard of Need (SON) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | $158 | $25.10 | $215.00 | $398.10 |
| 2 | $252 | $39.50 | $250.00 | $541.50 |
| 3 | $336 | $53.00 | $286.00 | $675.00 |
| 4 | $433 | $68.70 | $312.00 | $813.70 |

NYS Cash Assistance Resource Limits

- Applicant households $2,500
- Applicant households with a member aged 60 and over $3,750
- All CA recipient households $10,000

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Go to *Cash Benefits, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Qualifying for SSI, Income*, for more information on NYS Living Arrangements, as well as common income disregards for SSI.

| SSI Benefit Rate 2026 | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| NYS Living Arrangement | Individual | | | Couple | | |
| | Federal | NYS | Total | Federal | NYS | Total |
| Living Alone | $994 | $87 | **$1,081** | $1,491 | $104 | **$1,595** |
| Living with Others | $994 | $23 | **$1,017** | $1,491 | $46 | **$1,537** |
| Living in the Household of Another | $662.67 | $23 | **$685.67** | $994 | $46 | **$1,040** |

SSI Resource Limits

- An Individual: $2,000
- A Couple: $3,000

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Go to Cash *Benefits,* *Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Budgeting SSI Recipients in Congregate Care facilities*, for an explanation of Congregate Care Facilities

| SSI Benefit Rate for Congregate Care Facilities in NYS 2026 | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **NYS Living Arrangement** | **Individual** | | | **Couple** | | |
| | **Federal SSI Rate** | **NYS SSP** | **Maximum Amount** | **Federal SSI Rate** | **NYS SSP** | **Maximum Amount** |
| **Congregate Care Level 1 – Family Care** | | | | | | |
| • **NYC, Nassau, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester** | $994 | $266.48 | **$1,260.48** | $1,491 | $1,029.96 | **$2,520.96** |
| • **Rest of the State** | $994 | $228.48 | **$1,122.48** | $1,491 | $953.96 | **$2,444.96** |
| • **Personal Needs Allowance** | | | **$191** | | | **$191 each** |
| **Congregate Care Level 2 – Residential Care** | | | | | | |
| • **NYC, Nassau, Rockland, Suffolk and Westchester** | $994 | $435 | **$1,429** | $1,491 | $1,367 | **$2,858** |
| • **Rest of the State** | $994 | $405 | **$1,399** | $1,491 | $1,307 | **$2,798** |
| • **Personal Needs Allowance** | | | **$219** | | | **$219 each** |
| **Congregate Care Level 3 – School for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities** | | | | | | |
| • **Entire State** | $994 | $694 | **$1,688** | $1,491 | $1,885 | **$3,376** |
| • **Personal Needs Allowance** | | | **$262** | | | **$262 each** |

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Go to *Cash Benefits, Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), Qualifying for HEAP*, for an additional eligibility information.

Individuals must have a household income at or below HEAP guidelines (Tier 2) to be eligible.

- **Tier 1 Guidelines**: These **guidelines are set at 130%** of the federal poverty level. Households with incomes below the Tier 1 income guidelines receive a slightly higher HEAP benefit amount than those households with incomes below the Tier 2 guidelines.
- **Tier 2 Guidelines**: For household sizes 1-13, guidelines are based on 60% of the state median income. For households with 14 members or more, the income guidelines are set at 150% of the federal poverty level.

| **HEAP Maximum Monthly Income Guidelines and Tiers 2026-2027 Heating Season** | | |
|---|---|---|
| Household Size | Tier 1 (130% FPL) | Tier 2 |
| 1 | $1,729 | $3,563 |
| 2 | $2,344 | $4,659 |
| 3 | $2,959 | $5,756 |
| 4 | $3,575 | $6,852 |
| 5 | $4,190 | $7,948 |
| 6 | $4,805 | $9,045 |
| 7 | $5,421 | $9,250 |
| 8 | $6,036 | $9,456 |
| 9 | $6,651 | $9,662 |
| 10 | $7,267 | $9,867 |
| 11 | $7,882 | $10,073 |
| 12 | $8,497 | $10,278 |
| 13 | $9,113 | $10,515 |
| 13+ | + $615 each additional member | + $710 each additional member |

There are no asset/resource limitations for regular HEAP benefits.