

Welfare Incomes for 2005

In the provinces, the minimum and maximum welfare incomes for each household type are:

SINGLE EMPLOYABLE:

lowest in New Brunswick at \$3,427 and highest in Newfoundland and Labrador at \$8,198

SINGLE PERSON WITH A DISABILITY:

lowest in Alberta¹ at \$7,851 and highest in Ontario at \$12,057

LONE PARENT WITH ONE CHILD:

lowest in Alberta at \$12,326 and highest in Newfoundland and Labrador at \$16,181

COUPLE WITH TWO CHILDREN: lowest in New Brunswick at \$17,567 and highest in Prince Edward Island at \$21,213

The table below shows the estimated welfare income our four household types received in 2005. Welfare income includes all federal, provincial and territorial benefits. We assume that the households have no income from employment and are receiving maximum welfare benefits.

ESTIMATED 2005 ANNUAL WELFARE INCOME BY TYPE OF HOUSEHOLD							
	Basic Social Assistance	Additional Benefits	Federal Child Benefits	Provincial/Territorial Child Benefits	Federal GST Credit	Provincial/Territorial Tax Credits	Total Welfare Income
NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR							
Single Employable	\$7,189	\$732			\$237	\$40	\$8,198
Person with a Disability	\$7,189	\$2,232			\$267	\$40	\$9,728
Lone Parent, One Child	\$11,461	\$732	\$3,076	\$242	\$570	\$100	\$16,181
Couple, Two Children	\$11,941	\$732	\$5,451	\$565	\$689	\$200	\$19,578
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND							
Single Employable	\$5,988				\$226		\$6,214
Person with a Disability	\$7,848				\$236		\$8,084
Lone Parent, One Child	\$10,061		\$3,076		\$570		\$13,707
Couple, Two Children	\$14,723	\$350	\$5,451		\$689		\$21,213
NOVA SCOTIA							
Single Employable	\$5,196				\$226		\$5,422
Person with a Disability	\$8,646				\$251		\$8,897
Lone Parent, One Child	\$8,826		\$3,076	\$445	\$570		\$12,917
Couple, Two Children	\$11,652	\$150	\$5,451	\$1,090	\$689		\$19,032
NEW BRUNSWICK							
Single Employable	\$3,201				\$226		\$3,427
Person with a Disability	\$6,762	\$1,000			\$233		\$7,995
Lone Parent, One Child	\$8,860	\$900	\$3,076	\$250	\$570		\$13,656
Couple, Two Children	\$9,927	\$1,000	\$5,451	\$500	\$689		\$17,567

¹ Most single persons with a disability in Alberta receive assistance through the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped program, which provides higher benefits than welfare.

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QUEBEC							
Single Employable	\$6,721				\$226		\$6,947
Person with a Disability	\$9,793				\$270		\$10,063
Lone Parent, One Child	\$8,089	\$960	\$3,076	\$2,700	\$570		\$15,395
Couple, Two Children	\$10,405	\$1,159	\$5,451	\$3,000	\$689		\$20,704
ONTARIO							
Single Employable	\$6,400				\$226	\$381	\$7,007
Person with a Disability	\$11,450				\$305	\$302	\$12,057
Lone Parent, One Child	\$10,321	\$105	\$3,076		\$570	\$379	\$14,451
Couple, Two Children	\$12,231	\$407	\$5,451		\$689	\$524	\$19,302
MANITOBA							
Single Employable	\$5,592				\$226		\$5,818
Person with a Disability	\$7,397	\$960			\$244		\$8,601
Lone Parent, One Child	\$9,636		\$3,076		\$570		\$13,282
Couple, Two Children	\$14,057	\$160	\$5,451		\$689		\$20,357
SASKATCHEWAN							
Single Employable	\$6,328	\$20			\$226	\$89	\$6,663
Person with a Disability	\$7,680	\$860			\$252	\$101	\$8,893
Lone Parent, One Child	\$9,052	\$20	\$3,076	\$315	\$570	\$202	\$13,235
Couple, Two Children	\$12,488	\$235	\$5,451	\$111	\$689	\$353	\$19,327
ALBERTA							
Single Employable	\$4,824				\$226		\$5,050
Person with a Disability	\$6,684	\$936			\$231		\$7,851
Lone Parent, One Child	\$8,784		\$2,972		\$570		\$12,326
Couple, Two Children	\$12,996	\$275	\$5,537		\$689		\$19,497
BRITISH COLUMBIA							
Single Employable	\$6,120	\$35			\$226	\$75	\$6,456
Person with a Disability	\$10,277	\$35			\$269	\$75	\$10,656
Lone Parent, One Child	\$10,147	\$80	\$3,076	\$0	\$570	\$75	\$13,948
Couple, Two Children	\$11,893	\$212	\$5,451	\$71	\$689	\$150	\$18,466

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YUKON							
Single Employable	\$11,990	\$155			\$322		\$12,467
Person with a Disability	\$11,990	\$2,405			\$345		\$14,740
Lone Parent, One Child	\$15,474	\$260	\$3,076	\$450	\$570		\$19,830
Couple, Two Children	\$21,307	\$685	\$5,359	\$900	\$684		\$28,935
NORTHWEST TERRITORIES							
Single Employable	\$13,280				\$330		\$13,610
Person with a Disability	\$13,330	\$3,600			\$345		\$17,275
Lone Parent, One Child	\$18,672		\$3,076	\$330	\$570		\$22,648
Couple, Two Children	\$25,103		\$5,181	\$660	\$689		\$31,633
NUNAVUT							
Single Employable	\$10,686				\$285		\$10,971
Person with a Disability	\$10,826	\$2,100			\$329		\$13,255
Lone Parent, One Child	\$18,178		\$3,076	\$330	\$570		\$22,154
Couple, Two Children	\$31,515		\$3,519	\$660	\$631		\$36,325

Please refer to *Welfare Incomes 2005* - footnotes to Table 1.2, for additional details.