

This is a consolidation of what has been done to calculate Fee Waiver Thresholds.

Fee Waiver Thresholds

1. The Full Fee Waiver threshold is established annually based on the appropriate Statistics Canada Low Income Cut-Offs Before Tax, adjusted by the average Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Alberta. For the current school year, we will consider the previous year's pre-tax income for the applicant. (For example for 2017/2018 we would use 2016 information.)
2. The appropriate Statistics Canada Low Income document being used is *Low income cut-offs (1992 base) before tax* and referencing the latest figures, for calendar 2013. The 'Community size' column 'Rural areas outside CMA or CA' is used for outside of Grande Prairie area; and the column 'between 30,000 and 99,999 inhabitants' is used in the Grande Prairie area.
3. These numbers are adjusted upward by the average of the annual CPI adjustment for Alberta as indicated in *Statistics Canada Consumer Price Index (CPI), by province (Alberta)*.
4. The 50% Fee Waiver threshold will be set at four-thirds of the 100% Fee Waiver Threshold.

Summary of calculations for Grande Prairie area:

No of People in Household (in Grande Prairie area)	Low Income Cut-off 2013	Low Income Cut-off 2014 (CPI 2.6%)	50% Threshold 2014	Low Income Cut-off 2015 (CPI 1.1%)	50% Threshold 2015	Low Income Cut-off 2016 (CPI 1.1%)	50% Threshold 2016
1	20,423	20,954	27,939	21,184	28,246	21,418	28,557
2	25,424	26,085	34,780	26,372	35,163	26,662	35,549
3	31,256	32,069	42,758	32,421	43,229	32,778	43,704
4	37,950	38,937	51,916	39,365	52,487	39,798	53,064
5	43,041	44,160	58,880	44,646	59,528	45,137	60,183
6	48,544	49,806	66,408	50,354	67,139	50,908	67,877
7	54,047	55,452	73,936	56,062	74,750	56,679	75,572

Summary of calculations for rural area:

No of People in Household (outside of Grande Prairie area)	Low Income Cut-off 2013	Low Income Cut-off 2014 (CPI 2.6%)	50% Threshold 2014	Low Income Cut-off 2015 (CPI 1.1%)	50% Threshold 2015	Low Income Cut-off 2016 (CPI 1.1%)	50% Threshold 2016
1	16,426	16,853	22,471	17,038	22,718	17,226	22,968
2	20,449	20,981	27,974	21,211	28,282	21,445	28,593
3	25,139	25,793	34,390	26,076	34,768	26,363	35,151
4	30,523	31,317	41,755	31,661	42,215	32,009	42,679
5	34,618	35,518	47,357	35,909	47,878	36,304	48,405
6	39,045	40,060	53,414	40,501	54,001	40,946	54,595
7	43,470	44,600	59,467	45,091	60,121	45,587	60,782

Documents

¹ Statistics Canada Low income cut-offs (1992 base) before tax:

<http://www.statcan.gc.ca/pub/75f0002m/2014003/tbl/tbl02-eng.htm>

² Statistics Canada Consumer Price Index (CPI), by province (Alberta)

<http://www.statcan.gc.ca/tables-tableaux/sum-som/101/cst01/econ09j-eng.htm>