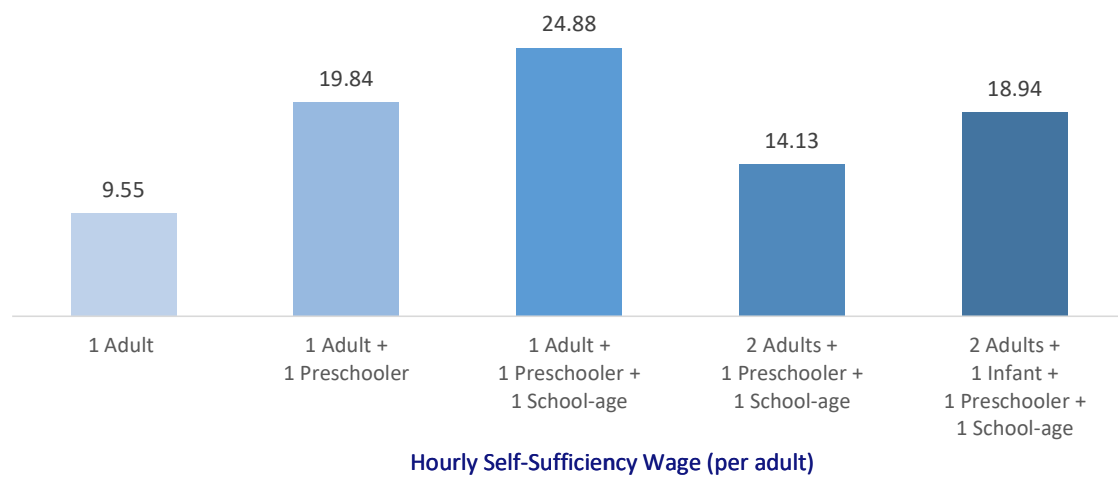


HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH?

The Self-Sufficiency Standard calculates, for each county in North Carolina how much

Lincoln County						
	1 Adult	1 Adult + 1 Preschooler	1 Adult + 1 Preschooler + 1 School-age	2 Adults + 1 Infant + 1 Preschooler	2 Adults + 1 Preschooler + 1 School-age	2 Adults + 1 Infant + 1 Preschooler + 1 School-age
Housing	\$658	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$1,082
Child Care	\$0	\$918	\$1,526	\$1,839	\$1,526	\$2,448
Food	\$224	\$340	\$513	\$627	\$689	\$766
Transportation	\$273	\$282	\$282	\$537	\$537	\$537
Health Care	\$143	\$480	\$498	\$543	\$550	\$561
Miscellaneous	\$130	\$282	\$362	\$435	\$410	\$539
Net-Taxes	\$658	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$1,082
Taxes	\$252	\$609	\$831	\$1,000	\$892	\$1,333
Earned Income Tax Credit (-)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Child Care Tax Credit (-)	\$0	(\$53)	(\$100)	(\$100)	(\$100)	(\$100)
Child Tax Credit (-)	\$0	(\$167)	(\$333)	(\$333)	(\$333)	(\$500)
Hourly (per adult)	\$9.55	\$19.84	\$24.88	\$15.19	\$14.13	\$18.94
Monthly	\$1,681	\$3,492	\$4,380	\$5,347	\$4,972	\$6,666
Annual	\$20,170	\$41,909	\$52,555	\$64,160	\$59,666	\$79,990
Emergency Savings Fund	\$157	\$436	\$679	\$289	\$278	\$396

The Self-Sufficiency Standard Varies By Family Type



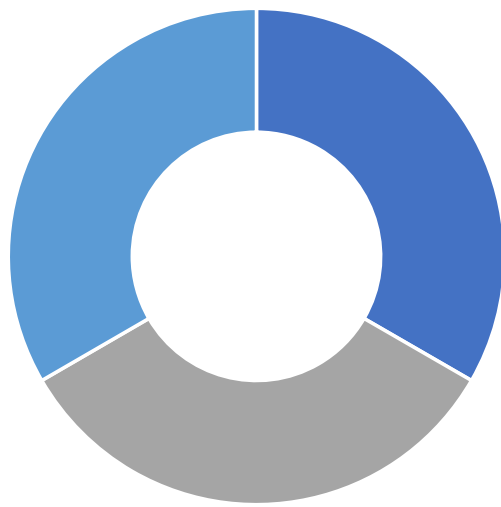
HOW DOES THE STANDARD COMPARE?

The Self-Sufficiency Standard calculates the real costs of meeting all basic needs.

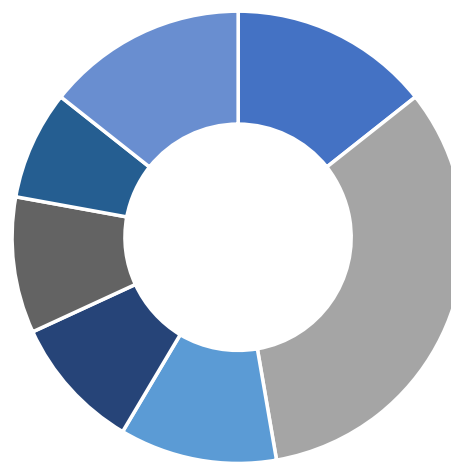
THE SELF-SUFFICIENCY STANDARD CALCULATES THE REAL COST OF MEETING EACH MAJOR BUDGET ITEM

FEDERAL POVERTY MEASURE
Food is 1/3 of the budget and all

SELF-SUFFICIENCY STANDARD
Housing and child care account for almost



■ Food



- Housing
- Child Care
- Food
- Transportation
- Health Care
- Miscellaneous
- Net-Taxes

40% The amount of basic needs covered by the federal poverty guidelines

Lincoln County

2 Adults + 1 Infant + 1 Preschooler

A MINIMUM WAGE JOB DOES NOT COVER THE COST OF BASIC NEEDS IN NORTH CAROLINA

SELF-SUFFICIENCY STANDARD
1 adult + 1 preschooler + 1 school-age **52,554.77**

FULL-TIME MINIMUM WAGE
Includes tax and tax credits, \$7.25/hr **21,982.00**

FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINE
Family of 3 **21,330.00**

Number of hours a minimum wage worker must work per week to meet basic needs **137**

Lincoln County
1 Adult + 1 Preschooler + 1 School-age