

the affected household sizes are fixed at the prior year's guidelines. As in prior years, these 2026 guidelines are roughly equal to the poverty thresholds for calendar year 2025, which the Census Bureau expects to publish in final form in September 2026.

The poverty guidelines continue to be derived from the Census Bureau's current official poverty thresholds; they are not derived from the Census Bureau's Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM).

The following guideline figures represent annual income.

**2026 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR THE 48 CONTIGUOUS STATES AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline
1 .....	\$15,960
2 .....	21,640
3 .....	27,320
4 .....	33,000
5 .....	38,680
6 .....	44,360
7 .....	50,040
8 .....	55,720

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$5,680 for each additional person.

**2026 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR ALASKA**

Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline
1 .....	\$19,950
2 .....	27,050
3 .....	34,150
4 .....	41,250
5 .....	48,350
6 .....	55,450
7 .....	62,550
8 .....	69,650

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$7,100 for each additional person.

**2026 POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR HAWAII**

Persons in family/household	Poverty guideline
1 .....	\$18,360
2 .....	24,890
3 .....	31,420
4 .....	37,950
5 .....	44,480
6 .....	51,010
7 .....	57,540
8 .....	64,070

For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$6,530 for each additional person.

Separate poverty guideline figures for Alaska and Hawaii reflect Office of Economic Opportunity administrative practice beginning in the 1966–1970 period. (Note that the Census Bureau poverty thresholds—the version of the poverty measure used for statistical purposes—have never had separate figures for Alaska and Hawaii.) The poverty guidelines are not defined for Puerto Rico or other outlying jurisdictions. In cases in which a Federal program using the poverty guidelines serves any of those jurisdictions, the Federal office that administers the program is generally responsible for deciding whether to use the contiguous-states-and-DC guidelines for those jurisdictions or to follow some other procedure.

Due to confusing legislative language dating back to 1972, the poverty guidelines sometimes have been mistakenly referred to as the “OMB” (Office of Management and Budget) poverty guidelines or poverty line. In fact, OMB has never issued the guidelines; the guidelines are issued each year by the Department of Health and Human Services. The poverty guidelines may be formally referenced as “the poverty guidelines updated periodically in the **Federal Register** by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 9902(2).”

Some federal programs use a percentage multiple of the guidelines (for example, 125 percent or 185 percent of the guidelines), as noted in relevant authorizing legislation or program regulations. Non-Federal organizations that use the poverty guidelines under their own authority in non-Federally-funded activities also may choose to use a percentage multiple of the guidelines.

The poverty guidelines do not make a distinction between farm and non-farm families, or between aged and non-aged units. (Only the Census Bureau poverty thresholds have separate figures for aged and non-aged one-person and two-person units.)

This notice does not provide definitions of such terms as “income” or “family” as there is considerable variation of these terms among programs that use the poverty guidelines. The legislation or regulations governing each program define these terms and determine how the program applies the poverty guidelines. In cases where legislation or regulations do not establish these definitions, the entity that administers or funds the program is responsible to define such terms as

“income” and “family.” Therefore, questions such as net or gross income, counted or excluded income, or household size should be directed to the entity that administers or funds the program.

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**Center for Scientific Review; Amended Notice of Meeting**

Notice is hereby given of a change in the meeting of the Population based Research in Infectious Disease Study Section, October 30, 2025, 10:00 a.m. to October 31, 2025, 06:00 p.m., National Institutes of Health, Rockledge II, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 which was published in the **Federal Register** on 9/24/2025 2025, 90 FR 45951, Doc Number 2025–18519

This meeting is being amended to change the date to January 12 to January 13, 2026.

Dated: January 12, 2026.

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**Center for Scientific Review; Notice of Closed Meetings**

Pursuant to section 1009 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, notice is hereby given of the following meetings.

The meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.