

Appendix: Comparison of the 2023 state median income (SMI) and the federal poverty level

Household Size	50% Federal Poverty Level		100% Federal Poverty Level		10% SMI		30% SMI		60% SMI		85% SMI		100% SMI	
	Annual Income	Hourly Wage	Annual Income	Hourly Wage	Annual Income	Hourly Wage	Annual Income	Hourly Wage	Annual Income	Hourly Wage	Annual Income	Hourly Wage	Annual Income	Hourly Wage
1	\$ 7,290	\$ 3.50	\$ 14,580	\$ 7.01	\$ 5,568	\$ 2.68	\$ 16,704	\$ 8.03	\$ 33,407	\$ 16.06	\$ 47,328	\$ 22.75	\$ 55,680	\$ 26.77
2	\$ 9,860	\$ 4.74	\$ 19,720	\$ 9.48	\$ 7,284	\$ 3.50	\$ 21,840	\$ 10.50	\$ 43,686	\$ 21.00	\$ 61,896	\$ 29.76	\$ 72,819	\$ 35.01
3	\$ 12,430	\$ 5.98	\$ 24,860	\$ 11.95	\$ 9,000	\$ 4.33	\$ 26,988	\$ 12.98	\$ 53,965	\$ 25.94	\$ 76,452	\$ 36.76	\$ 89,944	\$ 43.24
4	\$ 15,000	\$ 7.21	\$ 30,000	\$ 14.42	\$ 10,704	\$ 5.15	\$ 32,124	\$ 15.44	\$ 64,245	\$ 30.89	\$ 91,020	\$ 43.76	\$ 107,082	\$ 51.48
5	\$ 17,570	\$ 8.45	\$ 35,140	\$ 16.89	\$ 12,420	\$ 5.97	\$ 37,260	\$ 17.91	\$ 74,524	\$ 35.83	\$ 105,576	\$ 50.76	\$ 124,207	\$ 59.71
6	\$ 20,140	\$ 9.68	\$ 40,280	\$ 19.37	\$ 14,136	\$ 6.80	\$ 42,396	\$ 20.38	\$ 84,803	\$ 40.77	\$ 120,132	\$ 57.76	\$ 141,332	\$ 67.95
7	\$ 22,710	\$ 10.92	\$ 45,420	\$ 21.84	\$ 14,460	\$ 6.95	\$ 43,368	\$ 20.85	\$ 86,730	\$ 41.70	\$ 122,868	\$ 59.07	\$ 144,551	\$ 69.50
8	\$ 25,280	\$ 12.15	\$ 50,560	\$ 24.31	\$ 14,772	\$ 7.10	\$ 44,328	\$ 21.31	\$ 88,658	\$ 42.62	\$ 125,604	\$ 60.39	\$ 147,769	\$ 71.04

88% of Jobs in the ND labor market pay an average wage of \$35/hour or less



Less than \$15 / hr \$15 - \$20 / hour \$20 - \$28 / hour \$28 - \$35 / hour >\$35 / hour

Child care worker
Waiter/Waitress
Dishwasher
Bartender
Fast food
Short order cook
Cashiers
Hotel clerk
Laundry/Dry cleaning
Maid/Housecleaner

48,790

of people employed in a job with average wage of <\$15/hour

represents 13% of total jobs

Home health/PT aide
Personal care aide
Hair stylist
Retail
Receptionist/secretary
Restaurant cook
Preschool teacher
EMTs & paramedics
Assemblers
Maintenance workers
Nursing assistant
Laborer
Substitute teacher
Stocker/order filler
Landscaping/grounds
Janitor

90,050

25%

Carpenter
Loan processor
Legal secretary
Correctional officers
Auto service tech
Surgical tech
Roofer
Lic Practical Nurse
Dental assistant
Firefighter
Surgical assistant
Clergy
Social worker
Police
Hotel manager
Truck driver

109,930

30%

School counselor
Rotary drill operator
HR specialist
Accountant
Real Estate Sales
PR specialist
Counselor
Registered Nurse
Comp network specialist
Construction supervisor
Dental hygienist
Architectural drafter
Speech pathologist

73,420

20%

Engineer
Constr mgr
Electrician
Lineman
Gen/Op mgr
Loan officer
Lawyer
Sales
Software dev
Veterinarian
Pharmacist
Physician
Dentist
Psychologist

45,000

12%

Source: Job Service ND 2021 Employment and Wages by Occupation dataset | mean wage by occupation; 741,920 jobs included in statewide wage summary

SNAP Program Audits

Eligibility Determination Reviews

Active Error Rate

$$\text{Error Rate} = \frac{\text{Improper payments for reviews completed}}{\text{Total payments for reviews completed}}$$

Negative Error Rate

$$\text{Error Rate} = \frac{\text{\# of Cases Denied or Terminated in Error}}{\text{Total \# of reviews completed}}$$

Quality Assurance and Quality Control Unit (QA/QC) Reviews:

- Federal Reviews conducted annually based on defined sample and criteria.
 - Active Reviews – measures accuracy of eligibility and benefit amount. Review of 39 active eligibility determinations per month.
 - Negative Reviews – measures accuracy of denial and closure of eligibility. Review of 28 negative eligibility determinations per month.
 - Timeliness – measures timeliness of eligibility determinations. Review timeliness on the 67 active and negative eligibility determinations per month.

Active Error Rate: FFY 2020 – 5.96%
 FFY 2021 – 5.62%
 FFY 2022 – 9.44%
 FFY 2022 National Average (Target) = 10.59%

Negative Error Rate: FFY 2020 – 29.14%
 FFY 2021 – 37.31%
 FFY 2022 – 33.24%
 FFY 2022 National Average (Target) = 40.01%

Timeliness Rate (% process timely): FFY 2020 – 76.54%
 FFY 2021 – 83.02%
 FFY 2022 – 78.33%
 FFY 2022 Target = 95%