

## Determining Area Median Household Income

**WIFA Policy #:** II.11

**Purpose:**

*To provide guidance to WIFA staff and PPL applicants in determining the area median household income.*

**Policy:**

An applicant will use the most recent United States census data, not limited to the decennial census, to determine its area median household income (AMHI). For applicants not listed on the Census Bureau's website (e.g., private water companies, small cities/towns), the applicant should use the median household income for the county or nearest representative city.

If the applicant's service area is included in more than one income area, WIFA staff will use a population-weighted average of income areas to define the service area's median household income.

If staff or the applicant determines that these data are not representative, the applicant may provide other income data or an income survey and submit the findings to WIFA.

**Responsibility:** Chief Financial Officer

**Statutory Reference:** A.R.S. Title 49, Chapter 8

**Rule Reference:** A.A.C. R18-15-203, R18-15-303, R18-105-602

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