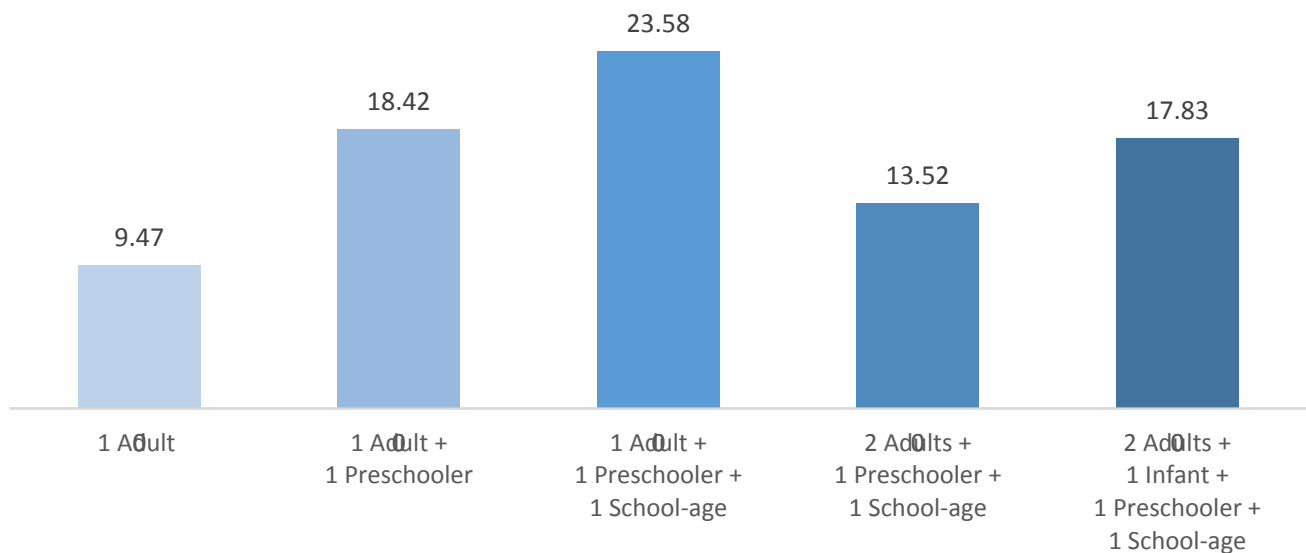


HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH?

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

Forsyth 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 Preschooler + 1 School-age	2 Adults + 1 Infant + 1 Preschooler + 1 School-age
Housing	\$622	\$775	\$775	\$775	\$775	\$1,047
Child Care	\$0	\$736	\$1,303	\$1,540	\$1,303	\$2,107
Food	\$246	\$374	\$564	\$690	\$758	\$842
Transportation	\$267	\$276	\$276	\$525	\$525	\$525
Health Care	\$154	\$529	\$547	\$591	\$599	\$609
Miscellaneous	\$129	\$269	\$346	\$412	\$396	\$513
Taxes	\$249	\$546	\$773	\$915	\$838	\$1,235
Earned Income Tax Credit (-)	\$0	(\$38)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Child Care Tax Credit (-)	\$0	(\$58)	(\$100)	(\$100)	(\$100)	(\$100)
Child Tax Credit (-)	\$0	(\$167)	(\$333)	(\$333)	(\$333)	(\$500)
Hourly (per adult)	\$9.47	\$18.42	\$23.58	\$14.24	\$13.52	\$17.83
Monthly	\$1,668	\$3,242	\$4,151	\$5,014	\$4,760	\$6,278
Annual	\$20,011	\$38,909	\$49,806	\$60,168	\$57,122	\$75,333
Emergency Savings Fund	\$157	\$397	\$632	\$278	\$271	\$357

The Self-Sufficiency Standard Varies By Family Type



Hourly Self-Sufficiency Wage (per adult)

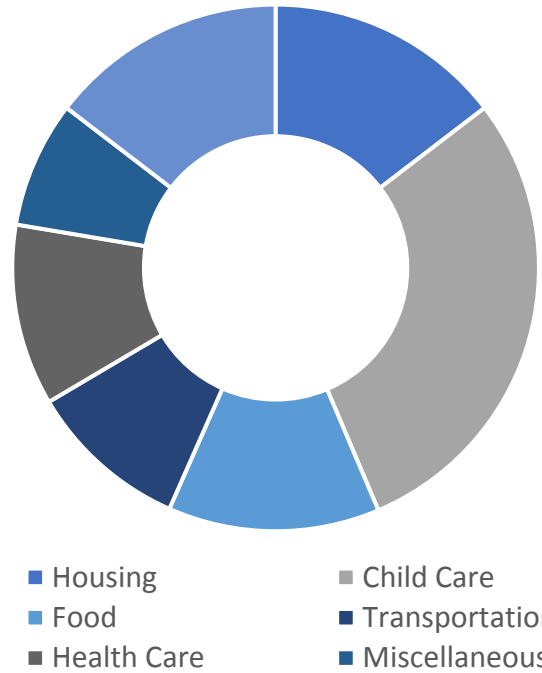
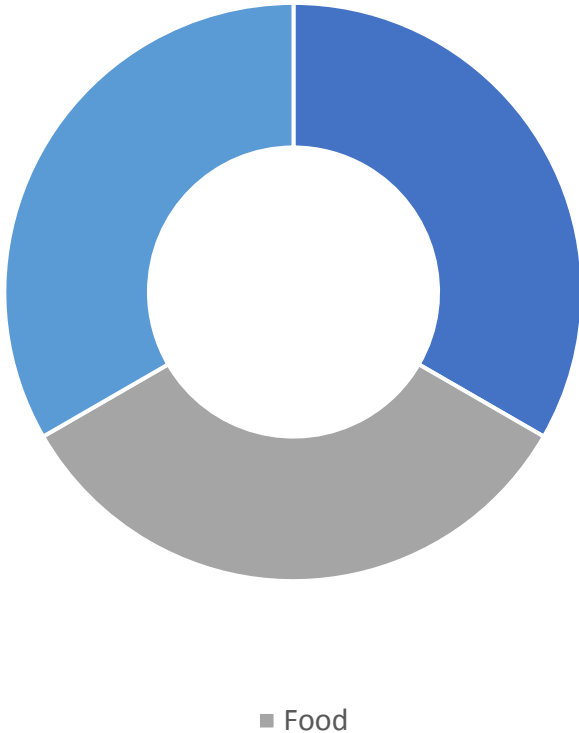
HOW DOES THE STANDARD COMPARE?

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

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

FEDERAL POVERTY MEASURE
 Food is 1/3 of the budget and all other costs are 2/3 of the budget

SELF-SUFFICIENCY STANDARD
 Housing and Child Care account for almost half of the family budget in the Standard



43%

The amount of basic needs covered by the federal poverty guidelines

Forsyth 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 + 10 school-age

49806.38

FULL-TIME MINIMUM WAGE
 Includes tax and tax credits
 \$7.25/hr

21982

FEDERAL POVERTY GUIDELINE
 Family of 3

21330

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

130

Forsyth County

1 Adult + 1 Preschooler + 1 School-age