
Count the income of members of the unit according to the provisions of [Chapter 17](#).

You must also count all or part of the income of certain people outside an assistance unit in the unit's income eligibility tests and benefit determination. This is sometimes called income "deemed" available to a unit. Count this income even if the unit does not actually receive it. See program provisions below to determine whose income to count.

MFIP, DWP:

To determine gross income of people outside an assistance unit, follow [0017 \(Determining Gross Income\)](#). To determine the net amount deemed from people outside the unit, apply the deductions and disregards described in the following subsections:

- Disqualified unit members. These are mandatory members of the unit who are disqualified. See [0014.06 \(Who Must Be Excluded From Assistance Unit\)](#), [0016.03 \(Income From Disqualified Unit Members\)](#), [0025.24.06 \(Disqualification for Fraud\)](#).
- Parents of minor caregivers. These are parents of a minor caregiver who live with the unit. See [0016.18 \(Income of Inel. Parent/Guard. of Minor Crgr\)](#).
- Sponsors of immigrants. These are people who signed an affidavit of support as an immigrant's condition of entry into the United States. Sponsors may or may not live with the unit. See [0031.33 \(Sponsor Deeming\)](#).
- Ineligible parents and stepparents in the household of minor children. See [0016.09 \(Income From Ineligible Stepparents\)](#), [0016.15 \(Income From Ineligible Parents\)](#).

Do not deem the income of people who receive MSA or SSI. See [0017.15.45 \(Income From RSDI and SSI\)](#).

Do not deem the income of a person who is away from home on military duty. See [0017.15.93 \(Military Income\)](#) for information on how to determine countable military pay. Also see TEMP Manual TE02.10.90 (Military Families Receiving FS, MFIP or DWP).

When the parent who normally resides with the family is living and working away from the home (or the family) and there is no marital or relationship breakdown, consider that parent a mandatory unit member. When a parent does not live in Minnesota he/she is considered an ineligible mandatory unit member because the parent is not physically present in Minnesota. Count total income of all unit members, including the members away from the family, when determining the unit's eligibility and benefit level. For information on counting assets, see [0015.48 \(Whose Assets to Consider\)](#).

SNAP:

To determine the gross and net amount of income counted from people outside the unit, follow the instructions in the following subsections:

- Disqualified mandatory unit members. See [0016.03 \(Income From Disqualified Unit Members\)](#).
- Sponsors of immigrants. See [0031.33 \(Sponsor Deeming\)](#).
- Ineligible non-citizens. See [0016.33 \(Income of Ineligible Non-Citizens\)](#). (Also see sections for parents, stepparents, etc.)
- Unit members not applying for SNAP (non-applicants). See [0016.42 \(Income of Non-Applicants\)](#).
- Ineligible students. See [0015.06.03 \(Availability of Assets with Multiple Owners\)](#), [0016.36 \(Income of Ineligible Students\)](#).
- Ineligible Time-limited Recipients. See [0015.06.03 \(Availability of Assets with Multiple Owners\)](#), [0016.39 \(Income of Ineligible Time-limited Recipients\)](#).
- Income from ineligible spouses of SNAP unit members. See [0016.06 \(Income From Ineligible Spouse of Unit Member\)](#).

A person who is away from home on military duty. See [0017.15.93 \(Military Income\)](#) for information on how to determine countable military pay. Also see TEMP Manual TE02.10.90 (Military Families Receiving FS, MFIP or DWP).

MSA:

THE PROVISIONS OF THIS CHAPTER DO NOT APPLY TO SSI RECIPIENTS.

If a client, other than an SSI recipient, lives with a spouse who also has a basis of eligibility and who applies for MSA, combine the couple's income and need when determining eligibility and benefit level. See [0022.12.01 \(How to Calculate Benefit Level - SNAP/MSA/GRH\)](#).

To determine the net amount counted from people outside the unit, apply the deductions and disregards as described in the following sections:

- Ineligible spouses of unit members. See [0016.06 \(Income From Ineligible Spouse of Unit Member\)](#).
- Ineligible stepparents. See [0016.09 \(Income From Ineligible Stepparents\)](#).
- Ineligible parents of minor children. See [0016.15 \(Income From Ineligible Parents\)](#).
- Ineligible parents and guardians of minor caregivers. See [0016.18 \(Income of Inel. Parent/Guard. of Minor Crgvr\)](#).
- Sponsors of immigrants. See [0031.33 \(Sponsor Deeming\)](#).
- Parents who choose not to apply. See [0016.24 \(Income of Parents Not Applying\)](#).
- Spouses who choose not to apply. See [0016.27 \(Income From Spouses Who Choose Not to Apply\)](#).

GA:

If people are not in the unit because they receive MFIP, do not count any of their income as available to the unit unless the amount of allocation from the MFIP participant is equal to or exceeds the GA standard of assistance. If it does, there is no GA eligibility.

To determine gross income of people outside the unit, follow [0017 \(Determining Gross Income\)](#). To determine the net amount counted from people outside the unit, apply the deductions and disregards as described in the following subsections:

- Disqualified mandatory unit members. See [0016.03 \(Income From Disqualified Unit Members\)](#).
- Ineligible spouses. See [0016.06 \(Income From Ineligible Spouse of Unit Member\)](#).
- Ineligible stepparents. Treat as parents. See [0016.09 \(Income From Ineligible Stepparents\)](#).
- Ineligible parents of adult units. See [0016.12 \(Income From Parents of Adult GA Children\)](#).
- Sponsors of immigrants. See [0031.33 \(Sponsor Deeming\)](#).
- Spouses who choose not to apply. See [0016.27 \(Income From Spouses Who Choose Not to Apply\)](#).
- Ineligible non-citizens. See [0016.33 \(Income of Ineligible Non-Citizens\)](#).

GRH:

The provisions of this chapter do NOT apply to SSI recipients.

For non-SSI clients who are aged, blind, or disabled: To determine the net amount counted from people outside the unit, see [0031.33 \(Sponsor Deeming\)](#).

For all other adults: To determine the net amount counted from people outside the unit, see [0031.33 \(Sponsor Deeming\)](#).