WHAT IT REALLY TAKES TO BE SELF-SUFFICIENT IN OWEN COUNTY, INDIANA

HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH? APPLYING THE SELF-SUFFICIENCY STANDARD AT A GLANCE

THE SELF-SUFFICIENCY STANDARD DEFINED

The Self-Sufficiency Standard calculates how much income families of various sizes and compositions need in order to make ends meet without public or private assistance.

COMPARING SELF-SUFFICIENCY WAGES WITH MINIMUM WAGE AND POVERTY

The Self-Sufficiency Standard Wage for this county is 271% of Minimum Wage.

The Self-Sufficiency Standard Wage for this county is 207% of the Federal Poverty Line.



FOR MORE To download the full report and data for all 472 family types, visit **www.IndianaSelfSufficiencyStandard.org**

1 ADULT

1 PRESCHOOLER 1 SCHOOL-AGE



IT IS **IMPOSSIBLE** TO BE SELF-SUFFICIENCT WHEN AN ADULT EARNS ONLY MINIMUM WAGE

At the current federal minimum wage of \$7.25 an hour, each adult in a family unit would have to work well more than 40 hours per week in order to meet basic needs without public or private assistance.

Compounding the problem, many minimum-wage-paying jobs do not offer full-time hours, requiring workers to balance multiple jobs and their schedules.

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HOURS:MINUTES PER WEEK

How much time one minimum-wage employee must work in order to earn enough for **the entire family** to be self-sufficient if the family consists of 1 ADULT 1 PRESCHOOLER 1 SCHOOL-AGE CHILD



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HOURS:MINUTES PER WEEK

How much time two
minimum-wage employees
each must work in order to
earn enough for **the two**adults to be self-sufficient if
the family consists of
2 ADULTS
1 PRESCHOOLER
1 SCHOOL-AGE CHILD



BASIC BUDGET NEEDS FOR THIS COUNTY

MONTHLY COSTS





1 ADULT 1 PRESCHOOLER

1 SCHOOL-AGE

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1 PRESCHOOLER
1 SCHOOL-AGE

\$582 \$738 \$738 Housing \$0 \$835 \$835 Child Care \$254 \$582 \$798 Food \$244 \$252 \$479 Transportation \$178 \$486 \$547 **Health Care** \$126 \$289 \$340 Miscellaneous \$280 \$604 \$666 Taxes \$0 (\$55)(\$12)Earned Income Tax Credit (-)

Child Care Tax Credit (-)	\$0	(\$105)	(\$100)
Child Tax Credit (-)	\$0	(\$167)	(\$167)
SELF-SUFFICIENCY WAGE			
Hourly (per adult)	\$9.46	\$19.66	\$11.71
Monthly	\$1,665	\$3,460	\$4,123
Annual	\$19,975	\$41,516	\$49,477

