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TOPIC: Income Limits under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act of 1996

Purpose: This guidance updates NAHASDA Guidances 98-14, 99-04, 00-04, 2001-09, 2002-04, and 2003-05.

Guidance: HUD Notice PDR-2004-02, issued January 28, 2004, contains the latest published median income limits for the various Indian areas. The income limits published in the notice are in effect for FY 2004 and will remain in effect until superseded. The information in the notice is organized by county. Each county has its own income limit.

Tribes located on large reservations or those that have land in more than one county may have more than one income limit. However, to reduce administrative burden, the tribe/TDHE may set income limits for multi-county reservations at the income limit level of the county with the highest income limits.

If the income limit for a county located within your Indian area is lower than the United States median, you must use the United States median income limits. The United States median family income is \$57,500. Therefore, the adjusted income limit for family size and 80 percent of median income is as follows:

1	2	3	Base4	5	6	7	8
32,200	36,800	41,400	46,000	49,700	53,350	57,050	60,700

For each additional family member over eight, 8 percent of the four-person base should be added to the eight-person income limit. For example, the nine-person limit equals \$64,400 (60,700 + [46,000 * .08]). All income limits are rounded to the nearest \$50 to reduce administrative burden.

If you have any questions regarding the income limits for your area, please call your local Area Office of Native American Programs. For your information, you may obtain access to HUD Notice PDR-04-02 through the internet at <http://www.huduser.org/datasets/il.html> in order to obtain the income limits for your area(s).