

## FACTSHEET

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Ministry of Employment  
and Income Assistance

### INCOME ASSISTANCE SUPPORT AND SHELTER RATES

- All rates are monthly.
- Shelter rates are based on the number of people in a family.
- In addition to the support allowance, low-income families receive a maximum of \$123.50 under the BC Family Bonus for each child to 19 years under the BC Family Bonus and ministry top-up if the Family Bonus is less than \$123.50 or the child is ineligible for Family Bonus.
- For persons aged 60-64 who are not eligible for the federal spouse's allowance, the minimum shelter allowance is \$75.

#### Income Assistance Rate Table

UNIT SIZE	SUPPORT ALLOWANCE							SHELTER MAXIMUM
	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>G</u>	
1	\$185.00	\$282.92	N/A	\$531.42	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$325
2	307.22	452.06	325.58	700.56	949.06	625.08	376.58	520
3	401.06	452.06	325.58	700.56	949.06	625.08	376.58	555
4	401.06	452.06	325.58	700.56	949.06	625.08	376.58	590
5	401.06	452.06	325.58	700.56	949.06	625.08	376.58	625
6	401.06	452.06	325.58	700.56	949.06	625.08	376.58	660
7	401.06	452.06	325.58	700.56	949.06	625.08	376.58	695

**Note:** Families with two or more children in receipt of full Family Bonus are eligible for an additional \$3.68 for the second child and \$1.67 for the third and subsequent children to take into account the National Child Benefit indexing factor. These amounts are not included in the rate tables above.

#### Key

A	Employable singles, couples and two-parent families, where all adults are under 65 years of age.
B	Employable singles, couples and two-parent families where all adults meet the Persons with Persistent Multiple Barriers criteria.
C	Employable one-parent families.
D	Singles, couples and two-parent families where one adult is age 65 or older.
E	Couples and two-parent families where both adults are age 65 or older.
F	One-parent families where the parent is age 65 or older.
G	One-parent families where the parent is a person who meets the Persons with Persistent Multiple Barriers criteria.

