

518A.35 GUIDELINE USED IN CHILD SUPPORT DETERMINATIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Determination of support obligation.** (a) The guideline in this section is a rebuttable presumption and shall be used in any judicial or administrative proceeding to establish or modify a support obligation under this chapter.

(b) The basic child support obligation shall be determined by referencing the guideline for the appropriate number of joint children and the combined parental income for determining child support of the parents.

(c) If a child is not in the custody of either parent and a support order is sought against one or both parents, the basic child support obligation shall be determined by referencing the guideline for the appropriate number of joint children, and the parent's individual parental income for determining child support, not the combined parental incomes for determining child support of the parents. Unless a parent has court-ordered parenting time, the parenting expense adjustment formula under section 518A.34 must not be applied.

(d) If a child is not residing with the parent that has court-ordered or statutory custody and a support order is sought under section 518A.82 against one or both parents, the basic support obligation must be determined by referencing the guideline for the appropriate number of joint children and the parent's individual income without application of the parenting expense adjustment formula under section 518A.34.

(e) For combined parental incomes for determining child support exceeding \$20,000 per month, the presumed basic child support obligations shall be as for parents with combined parental income for determining child support of \$20,000 per month. A basic child support obligation in excess of this level may be demonstrated for those reasons set forth in section 518A.43.

Subd. 2. **Basic support; guideline.** Unless otherwise agreed to by the parents and approved by the court, when establishing basic support, the court must order that basic support be divided between the parents based on their proportionate share of the parents' combined monthly parental income for determining child support (PICS). Basic support must be computed using the following guideline:

Combined Parental Income for Determining Child Support	Number of Children					
	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six
\$0- \$1,399	\$50	\$60	\$70	\$80	\$90	\$100
1,400- 1,499	60	75	85	100	110	120
1,500- 1,599	75	90	105	125	135	145
1,600- 1,699	90	110	130	150	160	170
1,700- 1,799	110	130	155	175	185	195
1,800- 1,899	130	150	180	200	210	220
1,900- 1,999	150	175	205	235	245	255
2,000- 2,099	170	200	235	270	285	295
2,100- 2,199	190	225	265	305	325	335

2,200- 2,299	215	255	300	345	367	379
2,300- 2,399	240	285	335	385	409	423
2,400- 2,499	265	315	370	425	451	467
2,500- 2,599	290	350	408	465	493	511
2,600- 2,699	315	385	446	505	535	555
2,700- 2,799	340	420	484	545	577	599
2,800- 2,899	365	455	522	585	619	643
2,900- 2,999	390	490	560	625	661	687
3,000- 3,099	415	525	598	665	703	731
3,100- 3,199	440	560	636	705	745	775
3,200- 3,299	465	595	674	745	787	819
3,300- 3,399	485	630	712	785	829	863
3,400- 3,499	505	665	750	825	871	907
3,500- 3,599	525	695	784	861	910	948
3,600- 3,699	545	725	818	897	949	989
3,700- 3,799	565	755	852	933	988	1,030
3,800- 3,899	585	785	886	969	1,027	1,071
3,900- 3,999	605	815	920	1,005	1,065	1,111
4,000- 4,099	625	845	954	1,041	1,103	1,151
4,100- 4,199	645	875	988	1,077	1,142	1,191
4,200- 4,299	665	905	1,022	1,113	1,180	1,230
4,300- 4,399	685	935	1,056	1,149	1,218	1,269
4,400- 4,499	705	965	1,090	1,185	1,256	1,308
4,500- 4,599	724	993	1,122	1,219	1,292	1,345
4,600- 4,699	743	1,021	1,154	1,253	1,328	1,382
4,700- 4,799	762	1,049	1,186	1,287	1,364	1,419
4,800- 4,899	781	1,077	1,218	1,321	1,400	1,456
4,900- 4,999	800	1,105	1,250	1,354	1,435	1,493
5,000- 5,099	818	1,132	1,281	1,387	1,470	1,529

5,100- 5,199	835	1,159	1,312	1,420	1,505	1,565
5,200- 5,299	852	1,186	1,343	1,453	1,540	1,601
5,300- 5,399	869	1,213	1,374	1,486	1,575	1,638
5,400- 5,499	886	1,240	1,405	1,519	1,610	1,674
5,500- 5,599	903	1,264	1,434	1,550	1,643	1,708
5,600- 5,699	920	1,288	1,463	1,581	1,676	1,743
5,700- 5,799	937	1,312	1,492	1,612	1,709	1,777
5,800- 5,899	954	1,336	1,521	1,643	1,742	1,811
5,900- 5,999	971	1,360	1,550	1,674	1,775	1,846
6,000- 6,099	988	1,383	1,577	1,703	1,805	1,877
6,100- 6,199	993	1,391	1,586	1,713	1,815	1,887
6,200- 6,299	999	1,399	1,594	1,722	1,825	1,898
6,300- 6,399	1,005	1,406	1,603	1,732	1,836	1,909
6,400- 6,499	1,010	1,414	1,612	1,741	1,846	1,920
6,500- 6,599	1,016	1,422	1,621	1,751	1,856	1,931
6,600- 6,699	1,021	1,430	1,630	1,761	1,866	1,941
6,700- 6,799	1,027	1,438	1,639	1,770	1,876	1,951
6,800- 6,899	1,032	1,445	1,648	1,780	1,887	1,962
6,900- 6,999	1,038	1,453	1,657	1,790	1,897	1,973
7,000- 7,099	1,044	1,462	1,666	1,800	1,908	1,984
7,100- 7,199	1,050	1,470	1,676	1,810	1,918	1,995
7,200- 7,299	1,056	1,479	1,686	1,821	1,930	2,007
7,300- 7,399	1,063	1,488	1,696	1,832	1,942	2,019
7,400- 7,499	1,069	1,496	1,706	1,843	1,953	2,032
7,500- 7,599	1,075	1,505	1,716	1,854	1,965	2,043
7,600- 7,699	1,081	1,514	1,725	1,863	1,975	2,054
7,700- 7,799	1,087	1,522	1,735	1,874	1,986	2,066
7,800- 7,899	1,093	1,531	1,745	1,885	1,998	2,078
7,900- 7,999	1,099	1,540	1,755	1,896	2,009	2,090

8,000- 8,099	1,106	1,548	1,765	1,907	2,021	2,102
8,100- 8,199	1,112	1,557	1,775	1,917	2,032	2,114
8,200- 8,299	1,118	1,566	1,785	1,928	2,044	2,126
8,300 -8,399	1,124	1,574	1,795	1,939	2,055	2,137
8,400- 8,499	1,131	1,583	1,804	1,949	2,066	2,149
8,500- 8,599	1,137	1,592	1,814	1,960	2,078	2,161
8,600- 8,699	1,143	1,600	1,824	1,970	2,089	2,173
8,700- 8,799	1,149	1,609	1,834	1,981	2,100	2,185
8,800- 8,899	1,155	1,618	1,844	1,992	2,112	2,197
8,900- 8,999	1,162	1,626	1,854	2,003	2,124	2,209
9,000- 9,099	1,168	1,635	1,864	2,014	2,135	2,221
9,100- 9,199	1,174	1,644	1,874	2,024	2,146	2,232
9,200- 9,299	1,180	1,652	1,884	2,035	2,158	2,244
9,300- 9,399	1,186	1,661	1,893	2,045	2,168	2,255
9,400- 9,499	1,193	1,670	1,903	2,056	2,179	2,267
9,500- 9,599	1,199	1,678	1,913	2,066	2,190	2,278
9,600- 9,699	1,205	1,687	1,923	2,077	2,202	2,290
9,700- 9,799	1,211	1,696	1,933	2,088	2,214	2,302
9,800- 9,899	1,217	1,704	1,943	2,099	2,225	2,314
9,900- 9,999	1,224	1,713	1,953	2,110	2,237	2,326
10,000-10,099	1,230	1,722	1,963	2,121	2,248	2,338
10,100-10,199	1,236	1,730	1,973	2,131	2,259	2,350
10,200-10,299	1,242	1,739	1,983	2,142	2,270	2,361
10,300-10,399	1,248	1,748	1,992	2,152	2,281	2,373
10,400-10,499	1,254	1,756	2,002	2,163	2,292	2,384
10,500-10,599	1,261	1,765	2,012	2,173	2,304	2,396
10,600-10,699	1,267	1,774	2,022	2,184	2,316	2,409
10,700-10,799	1,273	1,782	2,032	2,195	2,327	2,420
10,800-10,899	1,279	1,791	2,042	2,206	2,338	2,432

10,900-10,999	1,285	1,800	2,052	2,217	2,349	2,444
11,000-11,099	1,292	1,808	2,061	2,226	2,360	2,455
11,100-11,199	1,298	1,817	2,071	2,237	2,372	2,467
11,200-11,299	1,304	1,826	2,081	2,248	2,384	2,479
11,300-11,399	1,310	1,834	2,091	2,259	2,395	2,491
11,400-11,499	1,316	1,843	2,101	2,270	2,406	2,503
11,500-11,599	1,323	1,852	2,111	2,280	2,417	2,514
11,600-11,699	1,329	1,860	2,121	2,291	2,428	2,526
11,700-11,799	1,335	1,869	2,131	2,302	2,439	2,537
11,800-11,899	1,341	1,878	2,141	2,313	2,451	2,549
11,900-11,999	1,347	1,886	2,150	2,323	2,463	2,561
12,000-12,099	1,354	1,895	2,160	2,333	2,474	2,573
12,100-12,199	1,360	1,904	2,170	2,344	2,485	2,585
12,200-12,299	1,366	1,912	2,180	2,355	2,497	2,597
12,300-12,399	1,372	1,921	2,190	2,366	2,509	2,609
12,400-12,499	1,378	1,930	2,200	2,377	2,520	2,621
12,500-12,599	1,385	1,938	2,210	2,387	2,531	2,633
12,600-12,699	1,391	1,947	2,220	2,397	2,542	2,644
12,700-12,799	1,397	1,956	2,230	2,408	2,553	2,656
12,800-12,899	1,403	1,964	2,240	2,419	2,565	2,668
12,900-12,999	1,409	1,973	2,250	2,430	2,576	2,680
13,000-13,099	1,416	1,982	2,259	2,440	2,587	2,691
13,100-13,199	1,422	1,990	2,269	2,451	2,599	2,703
13,200-13,299	1,428	1,999	2,279	2,462	2,610	2,715
13,300-13,399	1,434	2,008	2,289	2,473	2,622	2,727
13,400-13,499	1,440	2,016	2,299	2,484	2,633	2,739
13,500-13,599	1,446	2,025	2,309	2,494	2,644	2,751
13,600-13,699	1,453	2,034	2,318	2,504	2,655	2,762
13,700-13,799	1,459	2,042	2,328	2,515	2,666	2,773

13,800-13,899	1,465	2,051	2,338	2,526	2,677	2,784
13,900-13,999	1,471	2,060	2,348	2,537	2,688	2,795
14,000-14,099	1,477	2,068	2,358	2,547	2,699	2,807
14,100-14,199	1,484	2,077	2,368	2,558	2,711	2,819
14,200-14,299	1,490	2,086	2,378	2,569	2,722	2,831
14,300-14,399	1,496	2,094	2,388	2,580	2,734	2,843
14,400-14,499	1,502	2,103	2,398	2,590	2,746	2,855
14,500-14,599	1,508	2,111	2,407	2,600	2,757	2,867
14,600-14,699	1,515	2,120	2,417	2,611	2,768	2,879
14,700-14,799	1,521	2,129	2,427	2,622	2,780	2,891
14,800-14,899	1,527	2,138	2,437	2,633	2,792	2,903
14,900-14,999	1,533	2,146	2,447	2,643	2,802	2,914
15,000-15,099	1,539	2,155	2,457	2,654	2,813	2,926
15,100-15,199	1,545	2,163	2,466	2,664	2,825	2,937
15,200-15,299	1,551	2,171	2,476	2,675	2,836	2,949
15,300-15,399	1,557	2,180	2,486	2,685	2,847	2,961
15,400-15,499	1,563	2,188	2,495	2,695	2,858	2,973
15,500-15,599	1,569	2,197	2,505	2,706	2,869	2,985
15,600-15,699	1,575	2,205	2,514	2,716	2,880	2,996
15,700-15,799	1,581	2,214	2,524	2,727	2,891	3,008
15,800-15,899	1,587	2,222	2,534	2,737	2,902	3,019
15,900-15,999	1,593	2,230	2,543	2,747	2,913	3,030
16,000-16,099	1,599	2,239	2,553	2,758	2,924	3,042
16,100-16,199	1,605	2,247	2,562	2,768	2,935	3,053
16,200-16,299	1,611	2,256	2,572	2,779	2,946	3,065
16,300-16,399	1,617	2,264	2,582	2,789	2,957	3,076
16,400-16,499	1,623	2,272	2,591	2,799	2,968	3,088
16,500-16,599	1,629	2,281	2,601	2,810	2,979	3,099
16,600-16,699	1,635	2,289	2,610	2,820	2,990	3,110

16,700-16,799	1,641	2,298	2,620	2,830	3,001	3,121
16,800-16,899	1,647	2,306	2,629	2,840	3,011	3,132
16,900-16,999	1,653	2,315	2,639	2,851	3,022	3,143
17,000-17,099	1,659	2,323	2,649	2,861	3,033	3,155
17,100-17,199	1,665	2,331	2,658	2,871	3,044	3,167
17,200-17,299	1,671	2,340	2,668	2,882	3,055	3,178
17,300-17,399	1,677	2,348	2,677	2,892	3,066	3,189
17,400-17,499	1,683	2,357	2,687	2,902	3,077	3,201
17,500-17,599	1,689	2,365	2,696	2,912	3,088	3,212
17,600-17,699	1,695	2,373	2,705	2,922	3,098	3,223
17,700-17,799	1,701	2,382	2,715	2,932	3,109	3,234
17,800-17,899	1,707	2,390	2,724	2,942	3,119	3,245
17,900-17,999	1,713	2,399	2,734	2,953	3,130	3,256
18,000-18,099	1,719	2,407	2,744	2,963	3,141	3,268
18,100-18,199	1,725	2,415	2,753	2,973	3,152	3,279
18,200-18,299	1,731	2,424	2,763	2,984	3,163	3,290
18,300-18,399	1,737	2,432	2,772	2,994	3,174	3,301
18,400-18,499	1,743	2,441	2,782	3,004	3,185	3,313
18,500-18,599	1,749	2,449	2,791	3,014	3,196	3,324
18,600-18,699	1,755	2,457	2,801	3,024	3,206	3,335
18,700-18,799	1,761	2,466	2,811	3,035	3,217	3,346
18,800-18,899	1,767	2,474	2,820	3,045	3,227	3,357
18,900-18,999	1,773	2,483	2,830	3,056	3,238	3,368
19,000-19,099	1,779	2,491	2,840	3,066	3,249	3,380
19,100-19,199	1,785	2,499	2,849	3,076	3,260	3,392
19,200-19,299	1,791	2,508	2,859	3,087	3,271	3,403
19,300-19,399	1,797	2,516	2,868	3,097	3,282	3,414
19,400-19,499	1,803	2,525	2,878	3,107	3,293	3,426
19,500-19,599	1,809	2,533	2,887	3,117	3,304	3,437

19,600-19,699	1,815	2,541	2,896	3,127	3,315	3,448
19,700-19,799	1,821	2,550	2,906	3,138	3,326	3,459
19,800-19,899	1,827	2,558	2,915	3,148	3,337	3,470
19,900-19,999	1,833	2,567	2,925	3,159	3,348	3,481
20,000 and over or the amount in effect under subdivision 4	1,839	2,575	2,935	3,170	3,359	3,492

Subd. 3. **Income cap on determining basic support.** (a) The basic support obligation for parents with a combined parental income for determining child support in excess of the income limit under subdivision 2 must be the same dollar amount as provided for the parties with a combined parental income for determining child support equal to the income limit under subdivision 2.

(b) A court may order a basic support obligation in a child support order in an amount that exceeds the income limit in subdivision 2 if it finds that a child has a disability or other substantial, demonstrated need for the additional support for those reasons set forth in section 518A.43 and that the additional support will directly benefit the child.

Subd. 4. **More than six children.** If a child support proceeding involves more than six children, the court may derive a support order without specifically following the guidelines. However, the court must consider the basic principles encompassed by the guidelines and must consider both parents' needs, resources, and circumstances.

History: 2005 c 164 s 26,29; 1Sp2005 c 7 s 27,28; 2006 c 280 s 42; 2007 c 54 art 5 s 15; 2016 c 189 art 15 s 19; 2021 c 30 art 10 s 64,65; 2024 c 80 art 8 s 68