

Underemployed individuals should use their individual income for eligibility, not that of their household. The following chart provides the median income level for each Workforce Area.

	60% of USDA/SAIPE County Median Household Income 2023	
Workforce Area	60% MHI	Hourly Wage
Berkshire	\$44,700	\$21.50
Boston	\$54,800	\$26.30
Bristol	\$48,600	\$23.40
Cape and Islands	\$53,670	\$25.80
Central Region	\$56,100	\$27.00
Franklin Hampshire	\$48,500	\$23.30
Greater Brockton	\$64,700	\$31.10
Greater Lowell	\$74,000	\$35.60
Greater New Bedford	\$48,600	\$23.40
Hampden County	\$40,300	\$19.40
Merrimack Valley	\$57,800	\$27.80
Metro North	\$74,000	\$35.60
Metro South/West	\$74,000	\$35.60
North Central	\$56,100	\$27.00
North Shore	\$57,800	\$27.80
South Shore	\$74,100	\$35.60

Source: US Dept of Agriculture Economic Research Service ([usda.gov](https://www.usda.gov)), based on Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates (SAIPE) program of the U.S. Census Bureau.

Not broken out by size of family/household. MA 2023 Median Household Income (MHI) - published Dec. 2024. Based on 60% MHI for county with the most workers in the region.