

Living Wage Calculation for Pulaski County, Arkansas

The living wage shown is the hourly rate that an **individual** in a household must earn to support themselves and/or their family, working full-time, or 2080 hours per year. The tables below provide living wage estimates for individuals and households with one or two working adults and zero to three children. In households with two working adults, all hourly values reflect what one working adult requires to earn to meet their families’ basic needs, assuming the other adult also earns the same.

The poverty wage and state minimum wage are for reference purposes. Poverty wage estimates come from the Department of Health and Human Services’ Poverty Guidelines (<https://aspe.hhs.gov/topics/poverty-economic-mobility/poverty-guidelines>) for 2025 and have been converted from an annual value to an hourly wage for ease of comparison. The state minimum wage data is sourced from the Labor Law Center (<https://www.laborlawcenter.com/state-minimum-wage-rates>) and includes the minimum wage in a given state as of January of that year.

For further detail, please reference the Methodology (</pages/methodology>) page. The data on this page was last updated on February 10, 2025.

	1 ADULT				2 ADULTS (1 WORKING)				2 ADULTS (BOTH WORKI		
	0 Children	1 Child	2 Children	3 Children	0 Children	1 Child	2 Children	3 Children	0 Children	1 Child	2 Children
Living Wage	\$20.28	\$34.02	\$43.46	\$54.77	\$28.07	\$32.89	\$36.50	\$42.00	\$13.83	\$19.32	\$24.18
Poverty Wage	\$7.52	\$10.17	\$12.81	\$15.46	\$10.17	\$12.81	\$15.46	\$18.10	\$5.08	\$6.41	\$7.73

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Minimum Wage	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00	\$11.00

Typical Expenses

The table below shows the costs of each basic need that go into estimating the living wage. Like with the living wage, their values vary by location and family size.

	1 ADULT				2 ADULTS (1 WORKING)				2 ADULTS (BOTI		
	0 Children	1 Child	2 Children	3 Children	0 Children	1 Child	2 Children	3 Children	0 Children	1 Child	2
Food	\$4,119	\$6,058	\$9,074	\$12,072	\$7,552	\$9,387	\$12,075	\$14,730	\$7,552	\$9,387	
Child Care	\$0	\$10,608	\$21,373	\$27,494	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,608	
Medical	\$2,956	\$7,344	\$7,417	\$7,493	\$6,469	\$8,306	\$8,577	\$8,879	\$6,469	\$8,306	
Housing	\$11,019	\$12,820	\$12,820	\$17,093	\$11,081	\$12,820	\$12,820	\$17,093	\$11,081	\$12,820	
Transportation	\$9,713	\$11,241	\$14,160	\$16,293	\$11,241	\$14,160	\$16,293	\$18,074	\$11,241	\$14,160	
Civic	\$2,589	\$4,557	\$5,031	\$6,450	\$4,557	\$5,031	\$6,450	\$7,156	\$4,557	\$5,031	

	1 ADULT				2 ADULTS (1 WORKING)				2 ADULTS (BOTH WORKING)		
Internet & Mobile	\$1,510	\$1,510	\$1,510	\$1,510	\$2,092	\$2,092	\$2,092	\$2,092	\$2,092	\$2,092	
Other	\$3,770	\$7,242	\$7,587	\$9,120	\$7,242	\$8,033	\$9,120	\$10,117	\$7,242	\$8,033	
Required annual income after taxes	\$35,675	\$61,379	\$78,972	\$97,526	\$50,233	\$59,828	\$67,427	\$78,141	\$50,233	\$70,436	
Annual taxes	\$6,512	\$9,378	\$11,418	\$16,386	\$8,150	\$8,585	\$8,491	\$9,222	\$7,319	\$9,940	
Required annual income before taxes	\$42,187	\$70,757	\$90,390	\$113,912	\$58,383	\$68,413	\$75,918	\$87,363	\$57,552	\$80,377	\$

Typical Annual Salaries

The average annual salaries for various occupations in the table below comes from the latest state-level data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates (<https://www.bls.gov/oes/tables.htm>). When available, this data is specific to a given metro area.

Occupational Area	Typical Annual Salary
Management	\$98,060
Business & Financial Operations	\$72,000

Occupational Area	Typical Annual Salary
Computer & Mathematical	\$84,820
Architecture & Engineering	\$77,670
Life, Physical, & Social Science	\$70,680
Community & Social Service	\$51,700
Legal	\$97,450
Education, Training, & Library	\$55,020
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, & Media	\$49,420
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	\$78,010
Healthcare Support	\$33,360
Protective Service	\$44,740
Food Preparation & Serving Related	\$29,130
Building & Grounds Cleaning & Maintenance	\$31,360
Personal Care & Service	\$31,880

Occupational Area	Typical Annual Salary
Sales & Related	\$42,450
Office & Administrative Support	\$40,860
Farming, Fishing, & Forestry	\$39,200
Construction & Extraction	\$46,400
Installation, Maintenance, & Repair	\$50,760
Production	\$42,370
Transportation & Material Moving	\$42,110



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