| Expenses | One Adult No Children | Two Adults No Children | Single Parent One Child | Single Parent Two Children | Single Parent Three Children | Two Parents One Child | Two Parents Two Children | Two Parents Three Children |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Housing ¹ | \$533 | \$645 | \$858 | \$858 | \$1,192 | \$858 | \$858 | \$1,192 |
| Food ² | \$147 | \$270 | \$206 | \$295 | \$361 | \$327 | \$418 | \$484 |
| Child care ³ | | | \$366 | \$569 | \$978 | \$366 | \$569 | \$978 |
| Medical ⁴ | \$281 | \$548 | \$460 | \$460 | \$460 | \$727 | \$727 | \$727 |
| Transportation ⁵ | \$278 | \$391 | \$278 | \$278 | \$278 | \$391 | \$391 | \$391 |
| Other necessities ⁶ | \$177 | \$276 | \$294 | \$294 | \$351 | \$321 | \$321 | \$383 |
| Monthly expenses | \$1,416 | \$2,130 | \$2,462 | \$2,754 | \$3,619 | \$2,990 | \$3,284 | \$4,155 |
| Federal taxes | | | | | | | | |
| Payroll tax | \$108 | \$163 | \$188 | \$211 | \$277 | \$229 | \$251 | \$318 |
| Income tax | \$138 | \$182 | \$250 | \$259 | \$363 | \$286 | \$298 | \$404 |
| EITC | | | | | | | | |
| Child tax credit | | | (\$42) | (\$83) | (\$125) | (\$42) | (\$83) | (\$125) |
| Child & dependent care credit | | | (\$40) | (\$80) | (\$80) | (\$40) | (\$80) | (\$80) |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Tax payments and credits | \$247 | \$345 | \$356 | \$306 | \$435 | \$433 | \$386 | \$517 |
| Necessary monthly income | \$1,663 | \$2,474 | \$2,818 | \$3,061 | \$4,054 | \$3,423 | \$3,670 | \$4,672 |
| Household hourly wage ⁷ | \$1,003 | \$15 | \$17 | \$18 | \$4,034 | \$3,423 \$21 | \$3,670 | \$28 |
| Household flourly wage | \$10 | 315 | 317 | J \$10 | \$24 | \$21 | \$22 | \$20 |
| Necessary annual income | \$19,953 | \$29,694 | \$33,819 | \$36,729 | \$48,648 | \$41,071 | \$44,044 | \$56,058 |
| Poverty threshold ⁸ | \$8,959 | \$11,531 | \$11,869 | \$13,874 | \$17,524 | \$13,861 | \$17,463 | \$20,550 |
| Percent poverty level | 223% | 258% | 285% | 265% | 278% | 296% | 252% | 273% |

¹ Source: 2001 Fair Market Rents, US Department of Housing and Urban Development

² Source: July 2001 Thrifty Food Plan, US Department of Agriculture
³ Source: 1999 Texas Child Care Portfolio, Texas Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies

⁴ Source: 2001-2002 Full-Time Employees Premium Rates, Texas Employee Retirement System and 1998-1999 Consumer Expenditure Survey, Bureau of Labor Statistics, US Department of Labor Source: 1995 National Personal Transportation Survey, Federal Highway Administration, US Department of Transportation

⁶ Source: 1998-1999 Consumer Expenditure Survey, Bureau of Labor Statistics, US Department of Labor

⁷ Represents the combined hourly wages of all workers in household

⁸ Source: 2000 Poverty Thresholds, US Bureau of the Census