

Table 3-3. Comparison of Federal Benefits to Poverty Guidelines for Eligible Individuals Receiving SSI, Selected Years 1980-2014

Poverty Guidelines and Benefits	1980	1984	1988	1992	1996	2000	2004	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Poverty Guidelines ¹	\$3,790	4,980	5,770	6,810	7,740	8,350	9,310	10,400	10,830	10,830	10,890	11,170	11,490	11,670
Federal SSI Benefits:														
Dollars Per Year ²	\$2,677	3,768	4,248	5,064	5,640	6,156	6,768	7,644	8,088	8,088	8,088	8,376	8,520	8,652
Percent of Poverty	70.6	75.7	73.6	74.4	72.9	73.7	72.7	73.5	74.7	74.7	74.3	75.0	74.2	74.1

Notes: ¹Poverty guidelines for a family of one in the 48 contiguous states and the District of Columbia as determined by the Department of Health and Human Services, available online at <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/figures-fed-reg.shtml>.

²Equals the Federal Benefit Rate (FBR) for an individual living in his or her own household multiplied by 12 months.

Source: Table prepared by CRS with Poverty Guideline data from the Department of Health and Human Services, available online at <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/figures-fed-reg.shtml>, and FBR data from the *SSI Annual Statistical Report, 2013*, Table 1 available online at http://www.ssa.gov/policy/docs/statcomps/ssi_asr/2013/sect01.html#table1.

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