

Appendix F:

Income Eligibility Guidelines for Illinois Solar For All

The Act states that for the Illinois Solar for All Program, “low-income households’ means persons and families whose income does not exceed 80% of area median income, adjusted for family size and revised every 5 years.”¹

The Agency proposes to use income eligibility guidelines from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HUD bases its housing assistance programs, such as the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program on 80% of area median income.²

Because the Act does not define “area,” the Agency is proposing to use HUD’s definition of an area as a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), a Fair Market Rate (FMR) Area, or a county not in an MSA or FMR. There are 20 MSAs and FMRs, and 62 other counties in Illinois.

Income eligibility levels are shown in Table F-1, for each geographic area. Table F-1 also shows income levels for participation in the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (“LIHEAP”) and the Illinois Home Weatherization Assistance Program (“IHWAP”). These programs are managed by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO).

For LIHEAP and IHWAP, annual eligibility levels are determined based on available funding and may not exceed 200% of the federal nonfarm poverty level. Levels are set by household size, and are measured by monthly or annual income, with additional provisions for renters. The table lists 2022-2023 program year values for annual income, as set by DCEO.³

Eligibility in LIHEAP or State funded IHWAP could be a proxy for eligibility for Illinois Solar for All because there is much, though not complete overlap of eligibility with the 80% of area median income for all regions of the state. However, for both LIHEAP and IHWAP, not all counties, MSAs, or FMRs have an area median income of 80% that is below the eligibility level for those programs. For the counties and areas listed below that are shaded, participation in those programs could not be used as a proxy for eligibility in Illinois Solar for All. The Program Administrator still allows participants to verify their income using LIHEAP and IHWAP eligibility, however additional confirmation is sought from DCEO when 200% FPL is higher than the 80% AMI of the participant’s area.

¹ 20 ILCS 3855/1-56(b).

² HUD, FY 2022 Income Limits Documentation System at <https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il.html>.

³ Office of Community Assistance, Illinois Department of Commerce, <https://www2.illinois.gov/dceo/CommunityServices/HomeWeatherization/CommunityActionAgencies/Pages/helpIllinoisFamilies.aspx>, Accessed August 19, 2022.

Table F-1: Maximum Income for Households to Be Eligible for Illinois Solar For All

	Number of people in household							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
LIHEAP/IHWAP (200% of FPL)	\$27,180	\$36,620	\$46,060	\$55,500	\$64,940	\$74,360	\$83,820	\$93,260
Adams County, IL	\$44,450	\$50,800	\$57,150	\$63,500	\$68,600	\$73,700	\$78,750	\$83,850
Bloomington, IL HUD Metro FMR Area (McLean county)	\$58,350	\$66,700	\$75,050	\$83,350	\$90,050	\$96,700	\$103,400	\$110,050
Bond County, IL HUD Metro FMR Area	\$47,250	\$54,000	\$60,750	\$67,450	\$72,850	\$78,250	\$83,650	\$89,050
Brown County, IL	\$49,800	\$56,900	\$64,000	\$71,100	\$76,800	\$82,500	\$88,200	\$93,900
Bureau County, IL	\$44,000	\$50,250	\$56,550	\$62,800	\$67,850	\$72,850	\$77,900	\$82,900
Cape Girardeau, MO-IL MSA (Alexander county)	\$39,900	\$45,600	\$51,300	\$56,950	\$61,550	\$66,100	\$70,650	\$75,200
Carroll County, IL	\$42,650	\$48,750	\$54,850	\$60,900	\$65,800	\$70,650	\$75,550	\$80,400
Cass County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,400
Champaign-Urbana, IL MSA (Champaign, Ford, Piatt counties)	\$51,150	\$58,450	\$65,750	\$73,050	\$78,900	\$84,750	\$90,600	\$96,450
Chicago-Joliet-Naperville, IL HUD Metro FMR Area (Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry, Will counties)	\$58,350	\$66,700	\$75,050	\$83,350	\$90,050	\$96,700	\$103,400	\$110,050
Christian County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Clark County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Clay County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Coles County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Crawford County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Cumberland County, IL	\$44,000	\$50,250	\$56,550	\$62,800	\$67,850	\$72,850	\$77,900	\$82,900
Danville, IL MSA (Vermillion County)	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Davenport-Moline-Rock Island, IA-IL MSA (Henry, Mercer, Rock Island counties)	\$47,800	\$54,600	\$61,450	\$68,250	\$73,750	\$79,200	\$84,650	\$90,100

De Witt County, IL HUD Metro FMR Area	\$43,200	\$49,400	\$55,550	\$61,700	\$66,650	\$71,600	\$76,550	\$81,450
Decatur, IL MSA (Macon County)	\$43,050	\$49,200	\$55,350	\$61,450	\$66,400	\$71,300	\$76,200	\$81,150
DeKalb County, IL HUD Metro FMR Area	\$54,250	\$62,000	\$69,750	\$77,450	\$83,650	\$89,850	\$96,050	\$102,250
Douglas County, IL	\$42,650	\$48,750	\$54,850	\$60,900	\$65,800	\$70,650	\$75,550	\$81,450
Edgar County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Edwards County, IL	\$42,700	\$48,800	\$54,900	\$61,000	\$65,900	\$70,800	\$75,650	\$80,550
Effingham County, IL	\$45,600	\$52,100	\$58,600	\$65,100	\$70,350	\$75,550	\$80,750	\$85,950
Fayette County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Franklin County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Fulton County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Gallatin County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Greene County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Grundy County, IL HUD Metro FMR Area	\$54,700	\$62,500	\$70,300	\$78,100	\$84,350	\$90,600	\$96,850	\$103,100
Hamilton County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Hancock County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Hardin County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Henderson County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Iroquois County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Jackson County, IL HUD Metro FMR Area	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Jasper County, IL	\$42,650	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Jefferson County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Jo Daviess County, IL	\$46,700	\$53,350	\$60,000	\$66,650	\$72,000	\$77,350	\$82,650	\$88,000
Johnson County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Kankakee, IL MSA	\$46,700	\$53,350	\$60,000	\$66,650	\$72,000	\$77,350	\$82,650	\$88,000
Kendall County, IL HUD Metro FMR Area	\$62,600	\$71,550	\$80,500	\$89,400	\$96,600	\$103,750	\$110,900	\$118,050
Knox County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
La Salle County, IL	\$43,400	\$49,600	\$55,800	\$62,000	\$67,000	\$71,950	\$76,900	\$81,850

Lawrence County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Lee County, IL	\$47,150	\$53,850	\$60,600	\$67,300	\$72,700	\$78,100	\$83,500	\$88,850
Livingston County, IL	\$44,250	\$50,600	\$56,900	\$63,200	\$68,300	\$73,350	\$78,400	\$83,450
Logan County, IL	\$46,400	\$53,000	\$59,650	\$66,250	\$71,550	\$76,850	\$82,150	\$84,450
Macoupin County, IL HUD Metro FMR Area	\$42,650	\$48,750	\$54,850	\$60,900	\$65,800	\$70,650	\$75,550	\$80,400
Marion County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Mason County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Massac County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
McDonough County, IL	\$43,900	\$50,150	\$56,400	\$62,650	\$67,700	\$72,700	\$77,700	\$82,700
Montgomery County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Morgan County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Moultrie County, IL	\$44,450	\$50,800	\$57,150	\$63,500	\$68,600	\$73,700	\$78,750	\$83,850
Ogle County, IL	\$46,700	\$53,350	\$60,000	\$66,650	\$72,000	\$77,350	\$82,650	\$88,000
Peoria, IL MSA (Marshall, Peoria, Stark, Tazewell, Woodford counties)	\$47,800	\$54,600	\$61,450	\$68,250	\$73,750	\$79,200	\$84,650	\$90,100
Perry County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Pike County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Pope County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Pulaski County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Putnam County, IL	\$48,250	\$55,150	\$62,050	\$68,900	\$74,450	\$79,950	\$85,450	\$90,950
Randolph County, IL	\$43,050	\$49,200	\$55,350	\$61,500	\$66,450	\$71,350	\$76,300	\$81,200
Richland County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Rockford, IL MSA (Boone, Winnebago counties)	\$45,100	\$51,550	\$58,000	\$64,400	\$69,600	\$74,750	\$79,900	\$85,050
Saline County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Schuyler County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Scott County, IL	\$43,600	\$49,800	\$56,050	\$62,250	\$67,250	\$72,250	\$77,200	\$82,200
Shelby County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150

Springfield, IL MSA (Menard, Sangamon counties)	\$53,450	\$61,050	\$68,700	\$76,300	\$82,450	\$88,550	\$94,650	\$100,750
St. Louis, MO-IL HUD Metro FMR Area (Calhoun, Clinton, Jersey, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair counties)	\$53,150	\$60,750	\$68,350	\$75,900	\$82,000	\$88,050	\$94,150	\$100,200
Stephenson County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Union County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Wabash County, IL	\$44,100	\$50,400	\$56,700	\$62,950	\$68,000	\$73,050	\$78,100	\$83,100
Warren County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Washington County, IL	\$48,850	\$55,800	\$62,800	\$69,750	\$75,350	\$80,950	\$86,500	\$92,100
Wayne County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
White County, IL	\$42,500	\$48,600	\$54,650	\$60,700	\$65,600	\$70,450	\$75,300	\$80,150
Whiteside County, IL	\$42,650	\$48,750	\$54,850	\$60,900	\$65,800	\$70,650	\$75,550	\$80,400
Williamson County, IL HUD Metro FMR Area	\$43,500	\$49,700	\$55,900	\$62,100	\$67,100	\$72,050	\$77,050	\$82,000