

Table 1: Average monthly Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) payments by the number of eligible members in a household from 2015 to 2019

Year (effective from February 1 of each year)	Average monthly CSSA payments (\$)#					
	Number of eligible members in a household					
	1	2	3	4	5	6 or above
2015	5,399	8,560	11,307	13,401	15,521	19,101
2016	5,690	8,891	11,752	13,943	16,085	19,805
2017	5,932	9,248	12,250	14,579	16,797	20,617
2018	6,201	9,610	12,730	15,182	17,462	21,365
2019	6,507	9,957	13,163	15,675	17,998	21,847

This refers to the average amount of payment received by CSSA households when they do not have any other sources of income.

Table 2: Average monthly household expenditure by household sizes by the lowest 5%, 10%, 20% and 25% monthly household income groups (2009/10-based and 2014/15-based Household Expenditure Survey#)

Period	Household size	Average monthly household expenditure (\$)			
		The lowest 5% income group	The lowest 10% income group	The lowest 20% income group	The lowest 25% income group
2009/10	1	5,412	5,113	4,912	5,219
	2	6,485	7,363	8,516	8,780
	3	9,348	10,114	10,517	11,024
	4	11,771	11,740	12,786	13,052
	5	*	13,758	14,798	14,929
	6 or above	*	21,617	19,101	18,740
	Overall	9,182	9,892	10,522	10,801
2014/15	1	5,875	5,038	5,368	5,600
	2	8,411	8,564	10,054	10,815
	3	11,712	12,311	13,226	13,735
	4	13,629	14,007	15,762	16,698
	5	13,839	14,955	19,110	20,302
	6 or above	17,833	19,184	22,606	23,294
	Overall	10,924	11,256	12,792	13,471

The relevant survey is conducted every five years.

* The data is suppressed due to small sample size.

Table 3: Median monthly domestic household income by household sizes from 2015 to 2019

Year	Median monthly household income (\$)					
	Household size					
	1	2	3	4	5	6 or above
2015	8,400	17,700	26,000	35,000	44,800	49,400
2016	8,300	18,000	28,000	36,700	47,000	51,700
2017	8,500	19,000	29,000	39,100	52,000	55,100
2018	9,500	20,000	31,000	42,000	53,200	56,800
2019	9,900	20,000	31,600	42,500	56,100	59,000

Table 4: Expenditure weights of the 1999/2000-based to 2014/15-based Social Security Assistance Index of Prices (SSAIP)#

Commodity/Service section									%
	1999/2000		2004/05		2009/10		2014/15		
Food	56.12	(39.15)	55.26	(36.78)	61.05	(42.04)	63.43	(44.56)	
<i>Meals bought away from home</i>	20.31	(14.17)	19.11	(12.72)	22.26	(15.33)	27.61	(19.40)	
<i>Food (excluding meals bought away from home)</i>	35.81	(24.98)	36.15	(24.06)	38.79	(26.71)	35.82	(25.17)	
Housing*	-	(-)	-	(-)	-	(-)	-	(-)	
Electricity, gas and water	6.05	(4.22)	8.07	(5.37)	7.89	(5.43)	7.29	(5.12)	
Alcoholic drinks and tobacco	3.09	(2.16)	2.59	(1.72)	1.86	(1.28)	1.38	(0.97)	
Clothing and footwear	4.83	(3.37)	4.50	(3.00)	3.98	(2.74)	3.31	(2.33)	
Durable goods	3.54	(2.46)	3.03	(2.02)	2.69	(1.85)	2.28	(1.60)	
Miscellaneous goods	9.05	(6.32)	9.12	(6.07)	7.24	(4.99)	8.02	(5.63)	
Transport	5.69	(3.97)	6.55	(4.36)	5.43	(3.74)	4.78	(3.36)	
Miscellaneous services	11.63	(8.11)	10.88	(7.24)	9.86	(6.79)	9.51	(6.67)	
All SSAIP commodity/service items^	100.00	(69.76)	100.00	(66.57)	100.00	(68.87)	100.00	(70.24)	
All commodity/service items not included in SSAIP		(30.24)		(33.43)		(31.13)		(29.76)	
All commodity/service sections		(100.00)		(100.00)		(100.00)		(100.00)	

Figures in brackets represent the corresponding proportions to the total expenditure on all commodities/services.

* All housing and related expenditures are not included in the SSAIP.

^ Figures may not add up to total due to rounding.