

**Case Study: Income Scenario- Two Parents- One adult working full-time and one adult working part-time on NMW**

	Weekly	Yearly
<b><u>Full-time employment on NMW</u></b>		
Gross earned income		
National Minimum Wage	324.38	16867.76
€8.65 x 37.5 hrs		
<b><u>Part-time employment on NMW</u></b>		
Gross earned income		
National Minimum Wage	173.00	8996.00
€8.65 x 20hrs		
<b>Total income for two adults</b>	<b>497.38</b>	<b>25863.76</b>

**Tax due**

Total Pay: 25863.76; tax @ 20% = 5172.75

Tax Credits:

Married person's tax credit: 3660.00

PAYE tax credit: 1830.00

(only 1 PAYE tax credit as they are not transferable between spouses)

Total Credits: 5490.00

5490.00 is > 5172.75, therefore negative income tax liability, thus no tax due.

**PRSI due**

No PRSI due as each earning less than €352.00 per week

**Back to School Clothing and Footwear Allowance (BSCFA)<sup>1</sup>**

The income limit for this family is €521.00, therefore they will qualify

Rate for child aged 2-11 €200.00; Rate for child aged 12-17 €305

Weekly income from BSCFA (3&10 year old) 7.69

Weekly income from BSCFA (10&15 year old) 9.71

**Family Income Supplement (FIS)**

Weekly income threshold for  
two parent, two children family 570.00

Assessable income  
(total after tax) 497.38

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<sup>1</sup> Although one has to be receiving a social welfare payment or FIS to be eligible for BSCFA, income from FIS is ignored when assessing eligibility for the BSCFA

FIS payable (60% of 72.62)	43.57 <sup>2</sup>	
<b><u>Early Childcare Supplement</u></b>		
€275.00 (paid quarterly)	21.15	1100.00
<b><u>Total Income</u></b> <sup>3</sup>		
Weekly Income	497.38	25863.76
FIS	43.57	2265.64
<i>BSCFA (3&amp;10 year old)</i>	7.69	400.00
<i>BSCFA (10&amp;15 year old)</i>	9.71	505.00
<i>Early Childcare Supplement (3 year old only)</i>	21.15	1100.00
Child Benefit (€166 per child per month)	76.62	3984.00
<b>Total Income (3+10 yr old)</b>	<b>646.41</b>	<b>33613.40</b>
<b>Total income</b> (10+15 yr old –does not include early childcare supplement & different BSCFA rate)	<b>627.28</b>	<b>32618.40</b>

#### **Calculation of Local Authority Rent**

Total weekly income (incl FIS)	646.41 (3+10 yr old)	627.28 (10+15 yr old)
Less disregards:		
Child benefit	76.62	
Early Childcare Supp	21.15	N/A
BSCFA	7.69	9.71
Income disregard (single)	32.00	
Assessable income	508.95	508.95
Rent (15% of 508.95)	76.34	76.34
- €1.00 for each dependent child <sup>4</sup>	<b>74.34</b>	<b>74.34</b>

<sup>2</sup> It is important to point out that in general the weekly entitlement to FIS is rounded up to the next full euro. In this scenario we give the exact entitlement.

<sup>3</sup> When calculating Total Income only select the BSCFA amount that corresponds with the family type e.g. ignore BSCFA amount of €9.71 when calculating income for family with children aged 10 & 15. Also ignore Early Childcare Supplement when calculating total income for family with children aged 10 & 15.

<sup>4</sup> Dublin City Council (DCC) deducts a €1.00 for each dependent child. This deduction is particular to DCC and does not apply across all Local Authorities.

**Eligibility for Medical Card**

**1) 3 year old and 10 year old**

Weekly income limit	266. 50
Allowance for 2 children (38.00 x 2)	76. 00
Childcare Expenses	84.10
Travel Expenses	46.00
Housing Rent	74.34
Total Guideline	546.94
Total income	497.38

**Therefore, this household will qualify for a medical card**

**2) 10 year old and 15 year old**

Weekly income limit	266. 50
Allowance for 2 children (38.00 x 2)	76. 00
Childcare expenses	12.87
Travel expenses	46.00
Housing Rent	74.34
Total Guideline	475.71
Total income	497.38

**Therefore, this household will not qualify for a medical card, but will qualify for a GP visit card.**