

FIGURE 1

Basic needs budgets for a single parent with two children in selected localities*

	Atlanta, GA	Peoria, IL	Erie, PA	Humboldt, CA	Albany, NY	Rockville, MD	San Francisco, CA
Rent and Utilities	\$9,348	\$7,248	\$7,128	\$8,700	\$9,024	\$15,432	\$18,612
Food	\$5,402	\$5,402	\$5,402	\$5,402	\$5,402	\$5,402	\$5,402
Child Care	\$7,020	\$8,352	\$12,688	\$12,153	\$16,116	\$11,868	\$16,804
Health Insurance	\$2,250	\$2,212	\$1,656	\$2,430	\$1,812	\$2,583	\$2,430
Transportation	\$630	\$3,440	\$2,553	\$4,493	\$432	\$2,472	\$540
Other Necessities	\$4,517	\$3,357	\$3,004	\$3,807	\$3,512	\$5,405	\$6,484
Payroll and Income Taxes	\$1,253	\$1,137	\$3,085	\$2,459	\$4,269	\$8,084	\$7,433
TOTAL	\$30,421	\$31,149	\$35,516	\$39,443	\$40,569	\$51,246	\$57,704
% of 2007 Federal Poverty Level	177%	181%	207%	230%	236%	298%	336%

* Assumes one-parent family with one preschool-aged child and one school-aged child.

Source: NCCP's Basic Budget Calculator (soon to be available online at www.nccp.org). Results are based on the following assumptions: children are in center-based care settings while their parent works (the older child is in after-school care); family members have access to employer-based health insurance when not enrolled in public coverage; in Albany, Atlanta, and San Francisco, family relies on public transportation, in all other locations, costs reflect private transportation.