

Connecticut

State Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

No recipients.

Optional State Supplementation

Administration: Connecticut Department of Social Services.

Effective date: January 1, 1974.

Statutory basis for payment: Connecticut General Statutes, section 17b-600.

Funding

Administration: State funds.

Assistance: State funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining payment levels.

Place of application: Regional offices of state agency.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to aged, blind, and disabled SSI or Title II recipients living alone or with others. No provision is made for essential persons. Only blind children are eligible for supplementation. Blind and disabled recipients are reclassified as aged upon reaching age 65.

Resource limitations: No limit on real property occupied as a home. Equity in real property other than a home must be liquidated. Value of personal property (excluding household and personal effects, car if needed, and tools and equipment or livestock essential to production of income) is limited to \$1,600 for an individual and \$2,400 for a couple. In addition, up to \$1,200 for burial contract is reduced by the value of irrevocable burial arrangements and the face value of life insurance policies of \$1,500 or less.

Income exclusions

Unearned income: For recipients residing in the community, state disregards \$183.00 of any unearned income including SSI; for recipients residing in boarding homes, \$90.70 is disregarded. The disregard is \$250.90 for recipients residing with unrelated persons in the community.

Earned income: The first \$65 and one-half of the remainder for aged and disabled; the first \$85 and one-

half of the remainder for the blind. Work-related expenses for the blind including personal expenses such as Social Security tax, life and health insurance, lunch, and transportation. Additional deductions are allowed for the blind and disabled related to plans for self-support. Those who are disabled are also allowed deductions for impairment-related work expenses.

Recoveries, liens, and assignments: Liens secure claims against real property. State has a preferred mandatory claim against an estate to the extent that it is not needed for the support of the surviving spouse, parent, or dependent children of the decedent. Liens may be released upon payment of claim or amount equal to beneficiary's interest. If applicant or recipient owns other nonhome property, he or she must be making a bona fide effort to sell it. During that time, he or she gives the state a security mortgage.

Responsibility of relatives: Spouse for spouse.

Interim assistance: State participates.

Payment levels: See Table 1.

Number of recipients: See Table 2.

State Assistance for Special Needs

Administration

Connecticut Department of Social Services.

Special Needs Circumstances

Recurring

Emergency housing: One occurrence per calendar year; no more than 60 days per occurrence.

Refuse collection: Actual charge.

Therapeutic diet: \$36.20 a month.

Meals on Wheels: \$4.36 for one meal a day; \$7.97 for two meals a day.

Restaurant meals: \$36.20 a month for an individual living in the community; \$7.80 per day for an individual living in emergency housing.

Nonrecurring

Security deposit for housing: Up to two times the monthly obligation.

Security deposit for heating service: Actual cost up to a limit of \$200.

Storage charges: Up to 3 months.

Moving expenses: Handled on an individual basis.

Essential household furnishings: Handled on an individual basis.

Telephone installation: Handled on an individual basis.

Essential clothing: Handled on an individual basis.

Medically Needy Program

State provides a program for the aged, blind, and disabled medically needy.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: Federal and state guidelines.

Determined by: State.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration does not obtain this information.

Table 1.
Optional state supplementation payment levels (in dollars)

Living arrangement	Combined federal and state		State supplementation	
	Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
Independent community living ^a	747.00	1,094.00	202.00	277.00
Licensed room and board facility	545.00	817.00	b	b
Medicaid facility ^c	54.00	108.00	24.00	48.00

a. The budget process is used to establish payment amounts. This supplement consists of a housing allowance (maximum of \$400 for living alone; \$200 for living with others), basic needs items, minus countable income (see "Income exclusions"). The amount presented assumes eligibility for the highest rental allowance and the maximum budget amount.

b. Committee sets state payments for recipients in boarding homes in accordance with individual cost data for the operations of the facility.

c. Recipients residing in a Medicaid facility receive a supplement that varies depending on the facility.

DEFINITIONS:

Independent community living. Any type of living arrangement that is not a licensed room and board facility or a medical or penal institution.

Licensed room and board facility. Community group home, training home, family care home, private boarding home, or other residential facility that is licensed by the Connecticut Department of Mental Retardation, Department of Children and Youth Services, Department of Mental Health, Department of Health, or other state agency and that at a minimum provides lodging and meals to various groups of elderly, blind, or disabled individuals.

Medicaid facility. Includes general hospitals, long-term care facilities, skilled nursing facilities, immediate care facilities, institutions for the mentally retarded, mental disease facilities if the resident is aged 21 or older, and tuberculosis facilities if the resident is aged 65 or older.

Table 2.
Number of persons receiving optional state supplementation, January 2002

Living arrangement	Total	Aged	Blind ^a	Disabled
All recipients	21,294	6,095	132	15,067
Independent community living	16,703	4,789	76	11,838
Licensed room and board facility	4,591	1,306	56	3,229
Medicaid facility	b	b	b	b

NOTE: Includes certain grandfathered, non-SSI recipients who meet state eligibility criteria.

a. Includes blind children, who are the only children eligible for optional supplementation.

b. Data are not available.

Maine

State Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

Administration: Department of Human Services.

Optional State Supplementation

Administration: Department of Human Services.

Effective date: July 1, 1974.

Statutory basis for payment: Maine Revised Statutes, title 22, subtitle 3, part 1-A, chapter 855-A.

Funding

Administration: State funds.

Assistance: State funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining total expenditures.

Place of application: Local offices of the Department of Human Services.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to all aged, blind, and disabled SSI recipients, including children. In addition, a small number of persons not eligible for SSI are eligible for a state supplement.

Resource limitations: Same as federal.

Income exclusions: Federal SSI income exclusions used for all living arrangements. In addition, for those living alone, with others, or in the household of another, the state disregards an additional \$55 for individuals and \$80 for couples.

Recoveries, liens, and assignments: None.

Responsibility of relatives: None.

Interim assistance: State participates.

Payment levels: See Table 1.

Number of recipients: In January 2002, 34,977 people were receiving optional state supplementation. Of those, 6,342 were aged, 119 were blind, and 28,536 were

disabled. Their distribution by living arrangements is as follows:

<u>Living arrangement</u>	<u>Number</u>
Living alone or with others	31,624
Living in the household of another	491
Living in a foster home	521
Living in a flat-rate boarding home	46
Living in a cost-reimbursement boarding home	2,067
Living in a Medicaid facility	228

State Assistance for Special Needs

Administration

Department of Human Services.

Special Needs Circumstances

Licensed boarding home subsidies: When costs of care exceed total of SSI and state supplementary payments, state will pay the difference up to established maximum rates.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: SSI program guidelines (Title XVI).

Determined by: Social Security Administration.

Medically Needy Program

State provides a program for the aged, blind, and disabled medically needy.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Department of Human Services obtains this information.

Table 1.
Optional state supplementation payment levels (in dollars)

Living arrangement	Combined federal and state		State supplementation	
	Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
Living alone or with others	555.00	832.00	10.00	15.00
Living in the household of another	371.34	556.67	8.00	12.00
Living in a foster home	594.00	1,090.00	49.00	273.00
Living in a flat-rate boarding home	762.00	1,407.00	217.00	590.00
Living in a cost-reimbursement boarding home	764.00	1,438.00	219.00	621.00
Living in a Medicaid facility	40.00	80.00	10.00	20.00

DEFINITIONS:

Living alone or with others. Includes the following types of recipients:

- Individual living in his or her own household with no other person except an ineligible spouse;
- Couples living in their own household;
- Persons in a medical facility where Medicaid does not pay more than 50 percent of the cost of their care;
- Person in an institution (excluding inmates of public institutions) on the basis of their eligibility under section 611(e)(1)(E) of the Social Security Act for all or part of a month provided that Medicaid does not pay more than 50 percent of the cost of their care;
- Persons in a private-pay facility or private-pay portion of a licensed boarding home; or
- Individuals or couples living with other persons but not considered to be living in the household of another.

Living in the household of another. Includes eligible persons who:

- Live in a household other than their own throughout a month with at least one other person who is not their child, their spouse, or an ineligible person whose income is deemed to them; and
- Receive food and shelter from within that household.

Living in a foster home. Includes recipients residing in an adult foster home.

Living in a flat-rate boarding home. Includes recipients residing in a boarding home which is licensed by and has a provider agreement with the state for reimbursement at a flat rate.

Living in a cost-reimbursement boarding home. Includes recipients residing in a boarding home that is licensed by and has a provider agreement with the state for reimbursement based on cost.

Living in a Medicaid facility. Includes eligible persons who live in a public or private medical institution throughout a month and Medicaid is paying more than 50 percent of the cost of their care.

Massachusetts

State Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

Administration: Social Security Administration.

Optional State Supplementation

Administration: Social Security Administration.

Effective date: January 1, 1974.

Statutory basis for payment: General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, chapter 118A, section 1.

Funding

Administration: State funds.

Assistance: State funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining payment levels.

Place of application: Social Security Administration field offices.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to every aged, blind, and disabled SSI recipient, including children, and recipients in private medical facilities where the Medicaid program provides 50 percent or less of the cost of care.

Resource limitations: Federal SSI resource limitations apply.

Income exclusions: Federal SSI income exclusions apply.

Recoveries, liens, and assignments: None.

Responsibility of relatives: None.

Interim assistance: State participates.

Payment levels: See Table 1.

Number of recipients: See Table 2.

Table 1.
Optional state supplementation payment levels (in dollars)

Living arrangement	State code	Combined federal and state		State supplementation	
		Individual	Couple ^a	Individual	Couple ^a
Living independently	A				
Aged		673.82	1,018.72	128.82	201.72
Blind		694.74	1,389.48	149.74	572.48
Disabled		659.39	997.06	114.39	180.06
Shared living expenses	B				
Aged		584.26	1,018.72	39.26	201.72
Blind		694.74	1,389.48	149.74	572.48
Disabled		575.40	997.06	30.40	180.06
Living in the household of another	C				
Aged		467.70	760.47	104.36	215.80
Blind		694.74	1,389.47	331.40	844.80
Disabled		450.92	738.85	87.58	194.18
Living in a licensed rest home	E				
Aged and disabled		838.00	1,676.00	293.00	859.00
Blind		694.74	1,389.48	149.74	572.48
Living in a Medicaid facility	F	65.00	130.00	35.00	70.00
Living in an assisted living facility	G	999.00	1,498.00	454.00	681.00

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NOTE: Blind individuals aged 65 or older are entitled to the highest payment category for which they qualify.

a. The amounts given apply when both members of a couple belong to the same eligibility category. When members belong to different eligibility categories, the two respective individual benefits are added to obtain the couple's benefit.

DEFINITIONS:

A: Living independently. Includes recipients who live:

- Alone;
- Only with an eligible spouse;
- With an eligible spouse and with ineligible children who do not receive income maintenance payments; or
- With an ineligible spouse or ineligible children none of whom receive income maintenance payments. Also includes recipients residing in a federal Code C living arrangement who do not live with any persons receiving income maintenance payments. Persons not meeting these criteria may be included if they are residing in a federal Code A or C living arrangement and pay at least two-thirds of the household expenses. Recipients living in public congregate housing developments are also included.

B: Shared living expenses. Includes recipients who are residing in a federal Code A or C living arrangement and do not meet the criteria for state living arrangement A or E. It therefore includes recipients who reside in group care facilities such as halfway houses, private medical facilities where Medicaid is paying 50 percent or less of the cost of care, foster homes, commercial boarding homes, or in other facilities that do not meet the criteria for state living arrangement A or E. It also includes:

- Recipients who reside in households where they do not pay at least two-thirds of the household expenses and one or more household members receive an income maintenance payment; and
- Transients, the homeless, and residents of public emergency shelters.

C: Living in the household of another. Includes recipients residing in a federal Code B living arrangement.

E: Living in a licensed rest home. Includes recipients residing in a licensed rest home that has a provider agreement with the state.

F: Living in a Medicaid facility. Includes recipients residing in a federal Code D living arrangement.

G: Living in an assisted living facility. Includes recipients residing in nonpublic subsidized assisted living facilities that have been registered with the state.

**Table 2.
Number of persons receiving optional state supplementation, January 2002**

Living arrangement	State code	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	
					Adults	Children
All recipients		162,740	45,810	3,290	93,400	20,240
Living independently	A	78,290	28,510	1,480	42,530	5,770
Shared living expenses	B	68,020	12,130	1,340	41,560	12,990
Living in the household of another	C	10,520	2,760	440	6,160	1,160
Living in a licensed rest home	E	1,970	780	0	1,180	10
Living in a Medicaid facility	F	2,930	810	20	1,790	310
Living in an assisted living facility	G	1,010	820	10	180	0

State Assistance for Special Needs

Administration

Department of Transitional Assistance and Commission for the Blind.

Special Needs Circumstances

Vendor payments in lieu of cash payments.

Disaster benefits: Replacement of specific items of furniture, household equipment, supplies, food, and

clothing for SSI recipients when these items were lost because of a natural disaster or fire. (Amounts exempted in determining SSI eligibility.)

Burial expenses: Payment of funeral and burial expenses for SSI recipients shall not exceed \$1,100, and the total expense shall not exceed \$1,500. When a resource exists, it is deductible from the total expense (maximum \$1,500), and the payment by the department must not exceed \$1,100 of the balance.

Rest home subsidies: When cost exceeds the total available income, excluding personal needs allowance,

the state will pay difference up to established maximum rates.

Moving expenses: The cost of moving within the state for SSI recipients may be paid once in a 12-month period if:

- Present living quarters have been certified as substandard,
- Moving to new quarters is necessary because of health problems or lack of safety in old neighborhood,
- Recipient is moving into federal or state subsidized housing, or
- Recipient is forced to move for other reasons.

Total payment not to exceed \$150.

Homemaker and housekeeper services: The Department of Elder Affairs performs homemaker and housekeeping services for recipients aged 60 or older. The Department of Transitional Assistance provides these services for recipients under age 60.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: SSI program guidelines (Title XVI).

Determined by: Social Security Administration.

Medically Needy Program

State provides a program for the aged, blind, and disabled medically needy.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration obtains this information.

New Hampshire

State Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

Administration: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Family Assistance (state-administered).

Optional State Supplementation

Administration: Local offices of the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Family Assistance (state-administered).

Effective date: January 1, 1974.

Statutory basis for payment: New Hampshire Revised Statutes, as amended, section 167:7, I, II, III, IV.

Funding

Administration: State funds.

Aged and disabled assistance: 50 percent state funds, 50 percent county funds.

Blind assistance: 100 percent state funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining payment levels.

Place of application: Local offices of the Division of Family Assistance.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to SSI recipients residing in the specified living arrangements (see Table 1). Persons living in the household of another receive the same state supplement as those living independently. Blind children are eligible for optional supplementation. Disabled children are eligible for optional supplementation only if they are aged 18 or older.

Resource limitations: No monetary or acreage limitation on property occupied as a home. Personal property limited to \$1,500 net cash value for an individual or a couple excluding clothing, household furnishings, tools, car, life insurance, and farm equipment or livestock used for food needs. Cash value of life insurance not counted unless face value exceeds \$1,500 per person; when it exceeds that, equity value counts toward the \$1,500 resource limits.

Income exclusions

Standard disregards for any income, including SSI (in dollars; . . . = not applicable)

<u>Living arrangement</u>	<u>Individual</u>	<u>Couple</u>
Living independently	13.00	20.00
Living with an essential person	. . .	25.00
Residential care facility for adults	13.00	. . .
Community residence	13.00	. . .
Enhanced family care facility	13.00	. . .

Earned income exclusions

- Aged and disabled—Same as federal.
- Blind—\$85 of gross earnings plus one-half of amount over \$85.

Additional amounts may be disregarded if an approved plan exists for achieving self-support within a 12-month period.

Other disregards: If recipient receives income from other persons in exchange for providing only room for such persons, \$50 per person is deducted from such income. Actual expenses if greater may be allowed, subject to verification.

If income is received in exchange for room and board, the Food Stamp coupon allotment for each boarder is deducted in addition to the amounts given above.

For adults being considered for nursing home care, SSI payments are disregarded in the determination of financial eligibility.

Recoveries, liens, and assignments

Aged and disabled: All aid paid is by law a lien on the estate of the recipient (and spouse if living together). No recovery from real estate occupied by surviving spouse or blind or disabled child or from personal property of less than \$100. State may waive recovery.

Blind: No lien provisions applicable.

Responsibility of relatives: Spouse for spouse; parent for child under age 18.

Interim assistance: State participates.

Payment levels: See Table 1.

Number of recipients: See Table 2.

Table 1.
Optional state supplementation payment levels (in dollars)

Living arrangement	Combined federal and state		State supplementation	
	Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
Living independently or in the household of another	572.00	838.00	27.00	21.00
Living with an essential person ^a	...	1,103.00	...	13.00
Residential care facility for adults	752.00	b	207.00	b
Enhanced family care facility	752.00	b	207.00	b
Community residence				
Nonsubsidized	694.00	...	149.00	...
Subsidized	634.00	...	89.00	...
Living in a Medicaid facility	50.00	...	20.00	...

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

- a. Applies only to SSI recipients converted from former state assistance programs.
- b. The state supplementation rate for individuals applies to each member of a couple.

DEFINITIONS:

Living independently or in the household of another. Includes all adult recipients residing in a federal Code A or B living arrangement who are not included in any other state living arrangement. Also includes blind children residing in a federal Code A, B, or C living arrangement.

Living with an essential person. Includes recipients living in a private household with a person who provides the essential care and personal services that enable them to remain in their household.

Residential care facility for adults. Facilities that provide housing for 1 to 25 elderly or physically disabled adults who cannot live alone but do not require nursing home care.

Enhanced family care facility. Community residences that are owned and operated by a person or family living in the residence. One or more individuals receive services in a certified family environment, and members of the host family provide the primary daily support.

Community residence. A facility that provides housing on a 24-hour basis to mentally ill or developmentally impaired persons. Care provided is a combination of supervised social, personal, and mental health services. The appropriate community residence standard of need is based on whether the resident received any type of subsidy from the Division of Mental Health Developmental Services.

Living in a Medicaid facility. Includes eligible persons who live in a public or private medical institution throughout a month and Medicaid is paying more than 50 percent of the cost of their care.

State Assistance for Special Needs

State does not provide assistance for special needs.

Medically Needy Program

State provides a program for the aged, blind, and disabled medically needy.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: State guidelines.

Determined by: State.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration does not obtain this information.

Table 2.
Number of persons receiving optional state supplementation, January 2002

Living arrangement	Total	Aged	Blind ^a	Disabled
All recipients	6,780	1,439	270	5,071
Living independently or in the household of another	5,540	1,181	220	4,139
Living with an essential person	5	0	0	5
Residential care facility for adults	173	119	4	50
Enhanced family care facility	676	104	31	541
Community residence				
Nonsubsidized	29	3	0	26
Subsidized	352	30	13	309
Living in a Medicaid facility	5	2	2	1

NOTES: Includes certain grandfathered, non-SSI recipients who meet state eligibility criteria.

. . . = not applicable.

a. Only blind children are eligible for optional supplementation; they are included in counts for the blind.

Rhode Island

State Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

No recipients.

Optional State Supplementation

Administration: Social Security Administration.

Effective date: January 1, 1974.

Statutory basis for payment: General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended, title 40, chapter 6, section 27.

Funding

Administration: State funds

Assistance: State funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining payment levels.

Place of application: Social Security Administration field offices.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to SSI recipients, including children, residing in the specified living arrangements (see Table 1).

Resource limitations: Federal SSI resource limitations apply.

Income exclusions: Federal SSI income exclusions apply.

Recoveries, liens, and assignments: None.

Responsibility of relatives: None.

Interim assistance: State participates.

Payment levels: See Table 1.

Number of recipients: See Table 2.

Table 1.
Optional state supplementation payment levels (in dollars)

Living arrangement	State code	Combined federal and state		State supplementation	
		Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
Living alone	A	609.35	937.50	64.35	120.50
Living in the household of another	B	437.94	681.17	74.60	136.50
Living in an adult residential care or assisted living facility ^a	D	1,127.00	...	582.00	...
Living in a Medicaid facility	E	50.00	100.00	20.00	40.00

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

a. Adult individuals only.

DEFINITIONS:

A: Living alone. Includes recipients who are residing in a federal Code A or C living arrangement. Includes persons in medical facilities who are residing in a federal Code A living arrangement on the basis of their eligibility under section 1611(e)(1)(E).

B: Living in the household of another. Includes recipients who are residing in a federal Code B living arrangement.

D: Living in an adult residential care or assisted living facility. Includes adult recipients who are residing in a federal Code A living arrangement and live in a licensed shelter care facility.

E: Living in a Medicaid facility. Includes all recipients residing in a federal Code D living arrangement.

Table 2.
Number of persons receiving optional state supplementation, January 2002

Living arrangement	State code	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	
					Adults	Children
All recipients		27,880	4,600	150	18,600	4,530
Living alone	A	25,870	3,830	130	17,560	4,350
Living in the household of another	B	890	260	10	530	90
Living in an adult residential care or assisted living facility	D	670	420	0	240	10
Living in a Medicaid facility	E	450	90	10	270	80

State Assistance for Special Needs

Administration

Department of Human Services.

Special Needs Circumstances

Moving expenses: Within cost guidelines, moving costs are covered for SSI recipients when the move is determined to be socially desirable and moving services cannot be provided by city, town, or other community resources.

Catastrophic conditions: In the event of a catastrophe by fire, flood, lightning, or severe wind, the state will provide shelter, clothing, food, and essential household equipment and furnishings.

Burial expenses: The cost of burial expenses can be provided for any person who dies leaving insufficient resources to meet this expense.

Homemaker services: Services provided under specified criteria to prevent institutionalization of a recipient who is unable to perform homemaker duties because of an acute or chronic illness.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: SSI program guidelines (Title XVI).

Determined by: Social Security Administration.

Medically Needy Program

State provides a program for the aged, blind, and disabled medically needy.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration obtains this information.

Vermont

State Supplementation

Mandatory Minimum Supplementation

No recipients.

Optional State Supplementation

Administration: State Agency of Human Services, Department of Prevention, Assistance, Transition, and Health Access, administers the state-funded program for essential persons. All other optional state supplements are administered by the Social Security Administration.

Effective date: January 1, 1974.

Statutory basis for payment: Vermont Statutes Annotated, title 33, chapter 13, Aid to Aged, Blind, and Disabled.

Funding

Administration: State funds.

Assistance: State funds.

Passalong method: Maintaining payment levels.

Place of application: Social Security Administration field offices.

Scope of coverage: Optional state supplement provided to SSI-eligible aged, blind, and disabled individuals, including children.

Resource limitations: Same as federal.

Income exclusions: Same as federal.

Recoveries, liens, and assignments: None.

Responsibility of relatives: None.

Interim assistance: State participates.

Payment levels: See Table 1.

Number of recipients: See Table 2.

Table 1.
Optional state supplementation payment levels (in dollars)

Living arrangement	State code	Combined federal and state		State supplementation	
		Individual	Couple	Individual	Couple
Living independently	A and B	604.04	927.88	59.04	110.88
Living in assistive community care, Level III	C	593.38	913.77	48.38	96.77
Living in the household of another	E	402.64	592.98	39.30	48.31
Living in a residential care home, Level IV	G	768.94	1,379.06	223.94	562.06
Living in a custodial care family home	H	643.69	1,149.82	98.69	332.82
Living in a Medicaid facility	I	47.66	95.33	17.66	35.33
Living independently with an essential person ^a	...	927.88	1,111.69	109.88	21.69
Living in the household of another with an ineligible spouse who is an essential person ^a	...	604.04	...	59.37	...

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

a. State administers payments.

DEFINITIONS:

A and B: Living independently. Includes eligible recipients who are not in any other state living arrangement. Includes children who are living with parents, recipients residing in private Title XIX facilities where Medicaid is not paying more than 50 percent of the cost of care, and recipients residing in publicly operated emergency shelters throughout a month.

C: Living in assistive community care, Level III. Effective July 1, 1999, includes any individual who resides in a Level III residential care home that is certified by the Department of Disabilities and Aging to provide assistive community care services.

E: Living in the household of another. Includes recipients residing in a federal Code B living arrangement who are not otherwise exempted from state supplementation.

G: Living in a residential care home, Level IV. Includes recipients living in Level IV community homes identified by the state.

H: Living in a custodial care family home. Includes recipients who are residing in a federal Code A living arrangement, live in another's home, pay room and board, and receive one or more custodial services. Custodial care includes providing basic room and board, plus such services as help with feeding, dressing, bathing, moving under normal circumstances, and occasional tray service and supervision for the recipients' protection. To qualify as a home under this arrangement, these services must be provided by a resident of the home and cannot be provided to more than two persons in the home. Custodial care or supervision provided by a spouse is not included under this arrangement.

I: Living in a Medicaid facility. Includes recipients residing in a federal code D living arrangement.

Table 2.
Number of persons receiving optional state supplementation, January 2002

Living arrangement	State code	Total	Aged	Blind	Disabled	
					Adults	Children
All recipients		12,730	1,430	160	9,340	1,800
Living independently	A and B	11,000	1,270	110	8,000	1,620
Living in assistive community care, Level III	C	110	0	20	70	20
Living in the household of another	E	260	70	0	190	0
Living in a residential care home, Level IV	G	260	60	0	200	0
Living in a custodial care family home	H	960	10	20	780	150
Living in a Medicaid facility	I	140	20	10	100	10
Living independently with an essential person	...	0	0	0	0	0
Living in the household of another with an ineligible spouse who is an essential person	...	0	0	0	0	0

NOTE: ... = not applicable.

State Assistance for Special Needs

Administration

Agency of Human Services, Department of Prevention, Assistance, Transition, and Health Access.

Special Needs Circumstances

Emergency assistance is provided, under certain conditions, for court-ordered evictions, natural disasters (e.g., fire, flood, or hurricane), emergency medical care, funeral costs, and emergency fuel needs.

Medicaid

Eligibility

Criteria: SSI program guidelines (Title XVI).

Determined by: Social Security Administration.

Medically Needy Program

State provides a program for the aged, blind, and disabled medically needy.

Unpaid Medical Expenses

The Social Security Administration does not obtain this information.