



### Factoring In Expenses and Aid

The U.S. Census Bureau’s new supplemental poverty measure differs from traditional measures by taking into account the impact of daily expenses and social programs, such as the federal school lunch program. Compared with the official poverty count, the supplemental measure shows that programs such as federal Supplemental Nutritional Assistance, can keep families with children out of poverty, while work-related expenses, including child care, can increase families’ burden.

SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau