



DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
Veterans Benefits Administration
Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment Service

VR&E Training Programs Subsistence Allowance Rate Increase
As of October 1, 2008

In some cases, a veteran requires additional education or training to become employable. A subsistence allowance is paid each month during training and is based on the rate of attendance (full-time or part-time), the number of dependents, and the type of training. The charts shown below reflect the rates as of **October 1, 2008**.

Based Upon 3.9% Consumer Price Index (CPI) Increase
Chapter 31 Subsistence Allowance Rates As of October 1, 2008

The following Subsistence Allowance rates are paid for training in an *Institution of Higher Learning*

Number of Dependents	Full Time	Three Quarter Time	One Half Time
No Dependents	\$541.05	\$406.53	\$272.02
One Dependent	\$671.13	\$504.07	\$337.03
Two Dependents	\$790.87	\$591.28	\$396.17
Each Additional Dependent	\$57.65	\$44.33	\$29.58

Subsistence Allowance is paid for full time training only, in the following training programs: *Non-pay or nominal pay on-job training in a federal, state, local, or federally recognized Indian tribe agency; training in the home; vocational course in a rehabilitation facility or sheltered workshop; institutional non-farm cooperative.*

Number of Dependents	Full Time
No Dependents	\$541.05
One Dependent	\$671.13
Two Dependents	\$790.87
Each Additional Dependent	\$57.65

The following rates are paid for Work Experience programs:
 Non-pay or nominal pay work experience in a federal, state, local or federally
 recognized Indian tribe agency.

Number of Dependents	Full Time	Three Quarter Time	One Half Time
No Dependents	\$541.05	\$406.53	\$272.02
One Dependent	\$671.13	\$504.07	\$337.03
Two Dependents	\$790.87	\$591.28	\$396.17
Each Additional Dependent	\$57.65	\$44.33	\$29.58

Subsistence Allowance is paid for full time training only in the following training
 programs: *Farm Cooperative, Apprenticeship, or other On-Job Training:*

Number of Dependents	Full Time
No Dependent	\$473.05
One Dependent	\$572.06
Two Dependents	\$659.30
Each Additional Dependent	\$42.89

Subsistence Allowance is paid at the following rates for combined training
 programs: *Combination of Institutional and On-Job Training (Full Time Rate
 Only):*

Number of Dependents	Institutional Greater than One Half	On-the-Job Greater than One Half
No Dependent	\$541.05	\$473.05
One Dependent	\$671.13	\$572.06
Two Dependents	\$790.87	\$659.30
Each Additional Dependent	\$57.65	\$42.89

Subsistence Allowance is paid at the following rates for Non-farm Cooperative
 Training: *Non-farm Cooperative Institutional Training and Non-farm Cooperative
 On-Job Training - Full Time Rate Only:*

Number of Dependents	FT Non-Farm Coop/Institutional	FT Non-Farm Coop/On- the-Job
No Dependent	\$541.05	\$473.05
One Dependent	\$671.13	\$572.06
Two Dependents	\$790.87	\$659.30
Each Additional Dependent	\$57.65	\$42.89

Subsistence Allowance is paid at the following rates for Independent Living programs: *A subsistence allowance is paid each month during the period of enrollment in a rehabilitation facility when a veteran is pursuing an approved Independent Living Program plan. Subsistence allowance paid during a period of Independent Living Services is based on rate of pursuit and number of dependents. Independent Living subsistence allowance rates:*

Number of Dependents	Full Time	Three Quarter Time	One Half Time
No Dependents	\$541.05	\$406.53	\$272.02
One Dependent	\$671.13	\$504.07	\$337.03
Two Dependents	\$790.87	\$591.28	\$396.17
Each Additional Dependent	\$57.65	\$44.33	\$29.58

Subsistence Allowance is paid at the following rates for Extended Evaluation programs: *A subsistence allowance is paid each month during the period of enrollment in a rehabilitation facility when a veteran requires this service for the purpose of extended evaluation. Subsistence allowance during a period of extended evaluation is paid based on the rate of attendance and the number of dependents. Extended Evaluation program subsistence allowance rates:*

Number of Dependents	Full Time	Three Quarter Time	One Half Time	On Quarter Time
No Dependents	\$541.05	\$406.53	\$272.02	\$135.99
One Dependent	\$671.13	\$504.07	\$337.03	\$168.53
Two Dependents	\$790.87	\$591.28	\$396.17	\$198.07
Each Additional Dependent	\$57.65	\$44.33	\$29.58	\$14.75

Notes: Original baseline figures may be found on pgs 358-361 of Ch. 31. Institutional training, Extended Eval and Independent Living are all given in the current year as % increases upon the figures from the prior year – back to this 1994 baseline. Current figure is, therefore, a cum of annual adjustments. For Farm Cooperative, Apprentice, OJT figures, the ratios to the Institutional set are as follows (for both 1994 and 2005 sampling comparisons). Farm No Dep is 87.43% of Institutional, One Dep is 85.24% of Institutional, Two Dep is 83.36% of Institutional, and Each Add Dep is 74.36% of Institutional.