

Total Social Assistance Annual Revenue: New Brunswick Lags Behind

Social assistance rates in New Brunswick are very low; they fall well behind the Atlantic average.

Categories	NL	PEI	NS	Average for 3 provinces	NB	Increase required to reach Atlantic average*
2007	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Personne seule, apte au travail	9 348	6 577	6 247	7 390	3 574	3 816
Personne handicapée	10 878	8 623	9 088	9 529	8 275	1 254
Parent seul, un enfant	18 788	15 781	14 725	16 431	15 451	980
Couple, deux enfants	21 662	22 906	20 464	21 677	18 849	2 828

* Increase required to fill the gap between NB social assistance rates and average rates for NL, PEI and NS.

Source : National Council of Welfare (Winter 2008). *Welfare Incomes, 2006 and 2007*, Vol. 128.