

Core Need Income Thresholds (CNITs)

Core Need Income Thresholds (CNITs) assists in distinguishing households requiring social housing assistance. Households with annual incomes equal to or less than CNIT are said to have insufficient income to afford the on-going costs of suitable and adequate rental units in their area.

CNITs in a market area are established based on 30 per cent of the Median Market Rent. CNITs are calculated by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) in partnership with Alberta Housing and Urban Affairs.

According to section 8(2)(b) of the *Social Housing Accommodation Regulation*, a household's total annual income must be below CNIT to be eligible for social housing and for the management organization to meet the requirement of providing accommodation to those in greatest need.

2009/10 Core Need Income Thresholds (CNIT)

(Listed by Municipality)

MUNICIPALITY Edmonton	BACHELOR	1 BDRM CNIT	2 BDRM CNIT	3 BDRM CNIT	4 BDRM CNIT	5+ BDRM CNIT
EDMONTON	29,500	35,500	43,500	54,000	59,000	62,000

The above information may also be found on the Alberta Housing and Urban Affairs website at www.housing.alberta.ca .