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2	\$40,964	\$46,044	\$5,122
3 or more or more	\$43,998	\$49,078	\$5,751

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- If you are married and filing a joint tax return, to file taxes electronically both spouses must be present to sign the required forms.
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- Proof of Social Security or Social Security Disability Income.
- Interest and dividend statements from banks (Forms 1099).
- A copy of last year's Federal and State returns if available.
- Bank Routing Number and Account Number for direct deposit of your tax return. These numbers can be found on your checks.
- Total paid for day care provider and the day care provider's tax identifying number (the provider's Social Security Number or the provider's business Employer Identification Number).
- Rent receipts with name, address, and zip code of landlord, or proof of taxable value of home and amount of property taxes paid the previous year.

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