

## Alternate Two Sample Size (Error Prone Sampling)

In Alternate Two (Error Prone Sampling), a minimum required percentage or number of applications based on income eligibility must be selected for verification *and* a minimum required percentage or number of applications approved based on categorical eligibility must be selected for verification.

Verification is not required for children approved through direct certification procedures such as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), Medicaid and foster children. Children directly certified through other programs including children who are documented as eligible migrant, runaway, homeless, foster children, and children participating in Head Start or Pre-K Even Start are not included in the application pool.

The SFA **must** verify a minimum of:

- (1) The lesser of **1% or 1,000** of the **total** number of approved applications (both income and categorical). The 1% sample is selected from error prone income applications. Error prone means the total household income on the application is within \$100 monthly or \$1,200 annually of the Income Eligibility Guidelines (IEGs) for free and reduced-price meals.

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- (2) The lesser of **one-half of 1% (0.5%) or 500** of the total number of applications that were approved based on categorical eligibility, selected from applications with a case numbers for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

EXAMPLE: 300 income applications  
200 categorical applications  
500 total applications in the application pool

(a) 500 total applications  $\times .01 = 5$

(b) 200 categorical applications  $\times .005 = 1$   
TOTAL SAMPLE  $= 6$

- (3) A sample of 5 applications must be selected from income applications with total household income within \$100 monthly or \$1,200 annually of the Income Eligibility Guidelines (IEGs) for free and reduced-price meals for that size household

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- (4) 1 from the 200 categorical applications that provided a Food Assistant Program/Family Independence Program case number in lieu of income on the application.