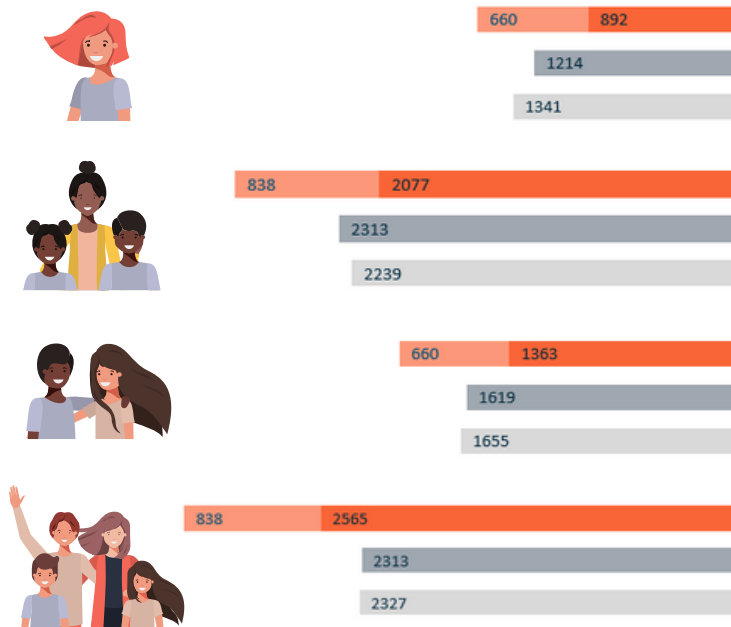


■ reference budget, excl. rent ■ living wage
■ private rent ■ min. unemployment benefit



Additional income minimum wage?	Additional income low wage?	Is a minimum benefit decent?	Is a minimum wage decent?	Is a low wage decent?
+ 691	+ 927	✗	✓	✓
+ 565	+ 800	✗	✓	✓
+ 392	+ 579	✗	✗	✓
+ 467	+ 653	✗	✗	✓
+ 539	+ 867	✗	✗	✓
+ 503	+ 831	✗	✗	✓
+ 522	+ 878	✗	✗	✗
+ 508	+ 864	✗	✗	✗

Monthly amounts May 2023, Flanders.

Reference budgets represent the minimum budget that families need to live in dignity. We assume that family members are in good health, have the necessary skills to manage their budget sustainably, live in a good quality house and do not own a car. The youngest child is in primary school and the oldest in secondary school.

Minimum wage: guaranteed average minimum monthly income in Belgium, full-time employment

Low wage: 2/3 of the median gross wage in Belgium, full-time employment

Income is calculated by deducting gross income from social security contributions, federal work bonus and Flemish work bonus, child benefits (including social allowances) and income tax.