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## Income Withholding Order (IWO) Calculation

This FYI is to remind staff that ATLAS calculates the IWO withholding amounts for a 26 and 52 week pay cycle with formulas that take into consideration that, in certain years, there are 27 pay periods instead of 26 bi-weekly pay periods, and 53 instead of 52 weekly pay periods. ATLAS accounts for the varying number of pay periods using the following formulas:

Example: Total monthly obligation amount is \$528.00

26 week pay cycle- $\$528.00 \div 2.1730 = \$242.98$  per pay period.

52 week pay cycle- $\$528.00 \div 4.3450 = \$121.52$  per pay period.

The formulas insure the most accurate payments possible throughout the life of the case.