



2012 SSA Benefits Information

Effective January 1, 2012

SSI			
		Individual	Couple
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Federal Benefit Rate 		\$698/month (2011: \$674)	\$1,048/month (2011: \$1,011)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Resource Limits 		\$2,000 (No Change)	\$3,000 (No Change)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SGA 		Non-Blind: \$1,010/month (2011: \$1,000) Blind: \$1,690/month (2011: \$1,640)	
Trial Work Period (SSDI Only)		\$720/month (No Change) (Minimum earnings to count as Trial Work Month)	
Earnings to Qualify as Quarter/Credit \$1,130/1 Quarter Credit (2011:\$1,120) \$4,520 for 4 (maximum)		Quarters/Credits needed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If person turns 24 in or before quarter: 1.5 years of work during the 3-year period ending with the quarter your disability began. ▪ After person turns 24, but before quarter s/he turns 31: Work during half the time for the period beginning with the quarter after you turned 21 and ending with the quarter you became disabled. ▪ In the quarter the person turns 31 or older: Work during 5 years out of the 10-year period ending with the quarter your disability began. 	
Medicare		Part A	Part B
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Premium 		\$451/month (2011: \$450). Most people don't pay a premium because of Medicare-covered employment. 40 credits = No premium 30-39 credits = \$248/month < 30 credits = Full Premium	\$99.90/month (2011: \$115.40) for all new 2012 Part B beneficiaries if annual income is less than \$85,000 (individual) or \$170,000 (joint filers).
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Deductible 		\$1,156 for days 1-60 for each benefit period (2011: \$1,100). Subsequent costs for ongoing days are different, consult with Medicare provider.	\$140/year (2011: \$162/year)
QMB	SLMB	QI	QDWI
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individual: \$928 ▪ Couple: \$1,246 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individual: \$1,109 ▪ Couple: \$1,491 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individual: \$1,246 ▪ Couple: \$1,675 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Individual: \$3,715 ▪ Couple: \$4,989
The resource limits are the same for QMB and SLMB (and in some states, QI): \$6,680 for an individual and \$10,020 a couple. In addition, there is an allowance of \$1,500 for a burial fund. The resource limits for QDWI are \$4,000 for an individual and \$6,000 for a couple.			

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