



2014 SSA Benefits Information

Effective January 1, 2014



Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

	Individual	Couple
Federal Benefit Rate	\$721/month (2013: \$710/month)	\$1,082/month (2013: \$1066/month)
Resource Limits	\$2,000 (no change)	\$3,000 (no change)

Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA)

Non-Blind	Blind
\$1,070/month (2013: \$1,040)	\$1,800/month (2013: \$1,740)

Work Incentives

Trial Work Period	Minimum earnings before a month will count as trial work month for SSDI beneficiaries: \$770/month (2013: \$750)
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Social Security Quarters/Credits

Earnings to Qualify as Quarter/Credit	Quarters/credits needed
\$1,200 / 1 QC (2013: \$1,160) \$4,800 for 4 (maximum)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ If you turn 24 in or before quarter: 1.5 years of work during the 3-year period ending with the quarter your disability began.▪ After you turn 24, but before quarter you turn 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 you turn age 31 or later: Work during 5 years out of the 10-year period ending with the quarter your disability began.

Medicare

	Part A	Part B
Premium	\$426/month (2013: \$441). Most people don't pay a premium because of Medicare-covered employment.	\$104.90/month (no change) for all new 2014 Part B beneficiaries if annual income is less than \$85,000 (individuals)/\$170,000 (joint filers).
Deductible	\$1,216 for days 1-60 for each benefit period (2013: \$1,184) Subsequent costs for ongoing days are different, consult with Medicare provider.	\$147/year (no change)

Medicare Savings Programs (2014 information not yet available)

QMB Qualified Medicare Beneficiary	SLMB Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary	QI Qualifying Individual	QDWI Qualified Disabled and Working Individual
Individual: \$978 Couple: \$1,313	Individual: \$1,169 Couple: \$1,571	Individual: \$1,313 Couple: \$1,765	Individual: \$3,915 Couple: \$5,225
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The resource limits are the same for QMB and SLMB (and in some states, QI): \$6,940 for an individual and \$10,410 for 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. 			

2013 1619(b) Threshold Amounts for Disabled SSI Beneficiaries (2014 information not yet available)

STATE	THRESHOLD	STATE	THRESHOLD
ALABAMA	\$25,783	MONTANA	\$30,159
ALASKA	\$55,752	NEBRASKA	\$37,017
ARIZONA	\$36,517	NEVADA	\$30,386
ARKANSAS	\$30,349	NEW HAMPSHIRE	\$40,779
CALIFORNIA	\$35,740	NEW JERSEY	\$33,976
COLORADO	\$35,129	NEW MEXICO	\$33,462
CONNECTICUT	\$72,805	NEW YORK	\$45,239
DELAWARE	\$39,957	NORTH CAROLINA	\$34,039
D.C.	\$39,253	NORTH DAKOTA	\$42,063
FLORIDA	\$30,786	OHIO	\$35,160
GEORGIA	\$28,547	OKLAHOMA	\$30,663
HAWAII	\$36,265	OREGON	\$33,464
IDAHO	\$40,538	PENNSYLVANIA	\$34,917
ILLINOIS	\$27,811	RHODE ISLAND	\$35,187
INDIANA	\$36,139	SOUTH CAROLINA	\$30,882
IOWA	\$31,367	SOUTH DAKOTA	\$34,857
KANSAS	\$34,251	TENNESSEE	\$32,430
KENTUCKY	\$28,759	TEXAS	\$32,387
LOUISIANA	\$30,666	UTAH	\$33,256
MAINE	\$32,084	VERMONT	\$38,135
MARYLAND	\$40,752	VIRGINIA	\$33,747
MASSACHUSETTS	\$38,936	WASHINGTON	\$29,269
MICHIGAN	\$33,517	WEST VIRGINIA	\$29,645
MINNESOTA	\$50,104	WISCONSIN	\$37,068
MISSISSIPPI	\$27,403	WYOMING	\$36,333
MISSOURI	\$33,754	NO.MARIANA ISL.	\$18,060