



2015 SSA Benefits Information

Effective January 1, 2015

SSI			
		Individual	Couple
▪ Federal Benefit Rate		\$733/month (2014: \$721)	\$1,100/month (2014: \$1,082)
▪ Resource Limits		\$2,000 (No Change)	\$3,000 (No Change)
▪ SGA		Non-Blind: \$1,090/month (2014: \$1,070) Blind: \$1,820/month (2014: \$1,800)	
Trial Work Period (SSDI Only)		\$780/month (2014: \$770) (Minimum earnings to count as Trial Work Month)	
Earnings to Qualify as Quarter/Credit \$1,220/1 Quarter Credit (2014: \$1,200) \$4,880 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
▪ Premium		\$407/month (2014: \$426). Most people don't pay a premium because of Medicare-covered employment.	\$104.90/month (2014: \$104.90) for all new 2015 Part B beneficiaries if annual income is less than \$85,000 (individual) or \$170,000 (joint filers).
▪ Deductible		\$1,260 for days 1-60 for each benefit period (2014: \$1,216). Subsequent costs for ongoing days are different, consult with Medicare provider.	\$147/year (2014: \$147/year)
QMB	SLMB	QI	QDWI
▪ Individual: \$993 ▪ Couple: \$1,331	▪ Individual: \$1,187 ▪ Couple: \$1,593	▪ Individual: \$1,333 ▪ Couple: \$1,790	▪ Individual: \$3,975 ▪ Couple: \$5,329
The resource limits are the same for QMB and SLMB (and in some states, QI): \$7,160 for an individual and \$10,750 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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