2014 Social Security/SSI/Medicare Information

Social Security Program

- **Tax Rate:** Employee -------- 7.65% (6.20% - OASDI, 1.45% - HI)\(^1\)
  Employer -------- 7.65% (6.20% - OASDI, 1.45% - HI)
  Self-employed ---- 15.30% (12.40% - OASDI, 2.90% - HI)

- **Maximum Taxable Earnings Base:** OASDI-- $117,000; HI-- No limit

- **Maximum FICA/SECA Taxes:**
  Employee: $7,254.00
  Employer: $7,254.00
  Self-employed: $14,508.00

- **OASDI Covered Workers (est. -- in millions, CY 2014):**
  Wages: 153.9
  Self-employed: 19.4
  Combined: 164.9

- **Percent of workers in paid employment or self-employment who are covered:** 93%

- **Estimated Worker/Beneficiary Ratio:**
  2013: 2.8 to 1
  2040: 2.1 to 1

- **Earnings Required for a Quarter of Coverage in 2014:**
  - $1,200; ($4,800 for four)

- **Coverage Thresholds for 2014:**
  - Self Employment: $400
  - Domestic Employment: $1,900
  - Election Workers: $1,600

- **Retirement Test Exempt Amounts:**
  - No test beginning with month of attaining full retirement age (FRA)
  - For pre-FRA months in year attaining FRA: -- $41,400 annually, $3,450 monthly ($1 for $3 withholding rate)
  - Under FRA: --$15,480 annually, $1,290 monthly ($1 for $2 withholding rate)

- **Substantial Gainful Activity:**
  - $1,070/mo. for non-blind, disabled; $1,800/mo. for blind.

- **Trial Work Period Service Month:** $770/mo.

- **Minimum Earnings for “Year of Coverage :**
  - Special Minimum: $13,050
  - Windfall Elimination Provision: $21,750

- **Formulae Bend Points:** (Applicable to workers who reach age 62, become disabled, or die in 2014)

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<th>Primary Insurance Amount (PIA)</th>
<th>OASI Maximum Family Benefit (MFB)</th>
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<tr>
<td>90% of first $816 of AIME, plus</td>
<td>150% of first $1,042 of PIA, plus</td>
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<td>32% of AIME over $816 through $4,917, +</td>
<td>272% of PIA over $1,042 through $1,505+</td>
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<td>15% of AIME over $4,917</td>
<td>134% of PIA over $1,505 through $1,962 +</td>
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<td>(DI MFB ranges from 100% - 150% of the PIA, depending on the PIA level)</td>
<td>175% of PIA over $1,962</td>
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- **Average Monthly Benefits:**
  - All retired workers: $1,294
  - Retired workers with an aged spouse (combined benefit): 2,111
  - All disabled workers: 1,146
  - Disabled workers with a young spouse and at least 1 child (combined benefit): 1,943
  - All aged widow(er)s: 1,244
  - Widowed mother/father and 2 children (combined benefit): 2,593

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\(^1\) The Affordable Care Act increased the HI tax by 0.9 percent for single filers with wages above $200,000 and joint filers with wages above $250,000 which began in January, 2013.

\(^2\) Average Monthly Benefit changes based on the number of claims filed as well as the number of beneficiaries who come off of the Social Security rolls monthly.

SSA/OLCA
7/28/2014
• Benefits for 1/2014 Retirees:

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<td>Scaled low earner</td>
<td>$1004.80</td>
<td>$753</td>
<td>$1,002.00</td>
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<td>Scaled medium earner</td>
<td>1,655.00</td>
<td>1,241</td>
<td>1,650.30</td>
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<td>Maximum earner</td>
<td>2,642.60</td>
<td>1,981</td>
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• Long-Range Constant Pre-Retirement Earnings Replacement Rate: Retirement at Age 67 in 2030 or later

- Scaled low earner: 55%
- Scaled medium earner: 41%
- Maximum earner: 27%

• Number of OASDI Beneficiaries (as of 12/13):
  --Total OASDI beneficiaries: 58.0 million
  --Retired workers and family members: 40.8 million
    - Retired workers: 37.9 million
    - Spouses: 2.3 million
    - Children: 0.6 million
  --Survivors of deceased workers: 6.2 million
    - Aged surviving spouses: 3.9 million
    - Disabled surviving spouses: 0.2 million
    - Surviving spouses w/ child-in-care: 0.1 million
    - Children: 1.9 million
  --DI beneficiaries: 11.0 million
    - Disabled workers: 8.9 million
    - Spouses: 0.2 million
    - Children: 1.9 million

• Number of OASDI Children Beneficiaries (12/13):
  - Total: 4,412,620
  - Children under age 18: 3,236,840
  - Students: 145,623
  - Disabled Children: 1,030,157

• Special Minimum PIA:
The highest special minimum PIA = $816 (30 years of coverage)

• Full Retirement Age Schedule — by Year of Birth:

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<th>Year</th>
<th>FRA (Age 66)</th>
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<td>1938</td>
<td>65/2 mos.</td>
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<td>65/4 mos.</td>
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<td>1940</td>
<td>65/6 mos.</td>
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<td>1941</td>
<td>65/8 mos.</td>
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<td>1942</td>
<td>65/10 mos.</td>
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<td>1943</td>
<td>54 - 66</td>
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<td>66/8 mos.</td>
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<td>1948</td>
<td>66/10 mos.</td>
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<td>1949</td>
<td>66/12 mos.</td>
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<td>1950</td>
<td>67</td>
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• Other Revenue -- % of Benefits Taxed:

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<th>Income Threshold</th>
<th>Filing Status</th>
<th>Where Revenue Goes</th>
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<td>up to 50%</td>
<td>$25,000 - $34,000</td>
<td>Individual</td>
<td>OASDI</td>
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<td>up to 85%</td>
<td>$34,000 +</td>
<td>Individual</td>
<td>HI</td>
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<td></td>
<td>$44,000 +</td>
<td>Joint</td>
<td>HI</td>
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• Average Wage Level: 2012: $44,321.67

• Maximum Amount of Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) reduction: 2014: $408

• OASDI Benefit Payments (FY 2013):
  OASI: $663.2 billion
  DI: 139.4 billion
  OASDI: 802.6 billion

• OASDI Administrative Expenses (FY 2013):

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<th>OASI</th>
<th>DI</th>
<th>OASDI</th>
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<td>Percent of Benefit Payments</td>
<td>0.5%</td>
<td>2.0%</td>
<td>0.8%</td>
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• OASI/DI Trust Funds’ Operations (in billions based on intermediate assumptions in 2014 Trustees Report):

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<th>Calendar Year</th>
<th>Income</th>
<th>Outgo</th>
<th>Net Incr.</th>
<th>EOY Balance</th>
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<td>2012</td>
<td>$840</td>
<td>$786</td>
<td>$54</td>
<td>$2,732</td>
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<td>2013</td>
<td>$855</td>
<td>$823</td>
<td>$32</td>
<td>$2,764</td>
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• Key dates from 2014 OASDI Trustees Report (using intermediate assumptions):
  2010  Expenditures exceeded tax income and remained in excess thereafter.
  2016  DI Trust Fund asset reserves are depleted. At that time, current Social Security taxes would support about 80% of the expected DI benefits.
  2022  Expenditures exceed total income and remain in excess thereafter.
  2034  OASDI Trust Fund asset reserves are depleted. At that time, current Social Security taxes would support about 75% of the expected OASDI benefits.

• Estimated long-range deficit: 2.88 percent of taxable payroll.

• Percent of Beneficiaries (by Sex) Retired and Disabled 2011 (latest data available):
  49% Women retired  48% Women disabled, 51% Men retired, 52% Men disabled

• Social Security income as a percent of total income of beneficiaries in 2010 (latest data available)
  53% of aged couples and 74% of unmarried aged individuals depend on Social Security for 50% or more of income
  23% of aged couples and 46% of unmarried aged individuals depend on Social Security for 90% or more of income

SSI Program
2014 SSI Payment Standard: (Federal Maximum) $721 individual, $1,082 couple

• Resource Limits:
  Individual------------------- $2,000
  Couple---------------------- $3,000

• Number of SSI Recipients and Average Federally Administered Payment—All Sources (as of 12/13):

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<th>Recipients</th>
<th>Average Payments</th>
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<td>Total-----------------</td>
<td>$529</td>
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<tr>
<td>Aged------------------</td>
<td>417</td>
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<tr>
<td>Blind and Disabled--</td>
<td>547</td>
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SSI Beneficiaries by Age:
  Under 18-------------- $631
  Age 18-64------------  546
  Age 65 and Over-------  425

• SSI Expenditures FY 2013
  o Federal SSI payments ---------- $52.8 billion
  o Federally Administered State Supplements ------ $3.3 billion

Social Security and SSI Information

• Number of people receiving monthly benefits from SSA (as of 12/13):
  -OASDI Benefits only ---------------------- 54.8 million
  -SSI Benefits only ----------------------- 5.6 million
  -OASDI and SSI Benefits Concurrently --- 2.8 million
  Total----------------- 63.2 million

• Program Accuracy:
  OASDI Program Dollar Accuracy Rate (Nonmedical Factors) -- FY 2012
    -- 99.8% of payment outlays without an overpayment
    -- 99.9 % of payment outlays without an underpayment
  SSI Program Dollar Accuracy Rate (Nonmedical Factors) -- FY 2012
    -- 93.7 % of payment outlays without an overpayment
    -- 98.2% of payment outlays without an underpayment
  DDS Accuracy Rate for Initial Disability Decisions – FY 2012
    -- 98% - Overall performance accuracy rate
Medicare Program

- Number of HI/SMI Enrollees (FY 2013):
  Total HI and/or SMI enrollees: 51.9 million
  Aged: 43.2 million
  Disabled: 8.7 million
  Total SMI enrollees: 47.6 million
  Aged: 39.8 million
  Disabled: 7.8 million

  Fully Insured: $0
  30+ credits: $234.00
  Fewer than 30 credits: $426.00

- Part B Supplementary Medical Insurance Premium (2014): $104.90 to $335.70 (Depends on income). Annual deductible is $147.

- Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount (IRMAA) Information:
  Number of Beneficiaries Affected: IRMAA/Part B – 2.5 million in 2014
  IRMAA/Part D --1.67 million in 2014

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<th>*Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI)</th>
<th>Total Monthly Part B Premium</th>
<th>IRMAA Part D</th>
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<td>Single</td>
<td>Married Couple</td>
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<td>$85,000 or less</td>
<td>$170,000 or less</td>
<td>$104.90</td>
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<td>$85,000.01-107,000.00</td>
<td>$170,000.01-214,000.00</td>
<td>$146.90</td>
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<td>$214,000.01-320,000.00</td>
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<td>$160,000.01-214,000.00</td>
<td>$320,000.01-428,000.00</td>
<td>$272.70</td>
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<td>$214,000.01 or more</td>
<td>$428,000.01 or more</td>
<td>$335.70</td>
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<tr>
<td>Married, Filing Separately</td>
<td>$104.90 (standard premium)</td>
<td>$0.00</td>
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<td>$85,000,01-129,000.00</td>
<td>$272.70</td>
<td>$50.20</td>
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<td>$129,000.01 or more</td>
<td>$335.70</td>
<td>$69.30</td>
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- Medicare Part D Subsidy Eligibility Requirements:
  GENERAL – Individual Must Be:
  --Entitled to Part A or enrolled in Part B* (or both);
  --Enrolled in prescription drug plan;
  --Reside in 50 States or D.C.;
  --File an application, and;
  --Have income and resources within specified limits.
  o 2014 Income Limits*
     --Full Subsidy – Below 100% of poverty guidelines (below $15,511.50 for an individual and $20,938.50 for 2 person family in contiguous States and D.C. of the U.S.)
     --Partial Subsidy – Between 135%-150% of poverty guidelines (between $15,511.51 and $17,235 for an individual; between $20,938.51 and $23,265 for 2 person family in contiguous States and D.C. in the U.S.)
     --Amounts adjusted annually based on federal poverty levels (FPL)
  o 2014 Resource Limits*
     --Full Subsidy – $8,660 individual/$13,750 married couple living together
     --Partial Subsidy – $3,440 individual/$6,860 married couple living together
     --Amount adjusted annually based on CPI
  *Includes burial fund exclusion.

Resources/Contacts
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3 The Affordable Care Act includes a 3.8% imposed surtax on unearned income for individuals/couples with MAGI above $200/$250k.
4 Part D premium depends on each individual’s plan. The amounts shown in the column are added to the plan’s premium.