

Social Security Administration



Disability Programs

Types of Disability Programs

- Social Security benefits for workers
- Social Security benefits for adults disabled since childhood
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI) for children and adults



Social Security Disability Insurance



- To qualify, the disabled person must have a recent work history
- Special rules apply to younger persons who need less work to qualify

Amount of Benefit

- Benefits are calculated based on your entire work history
- If your Social Security benefit amount is lower than the full SSI payment, you may be eligible to receive both Social Security and SSI

Prevent identity theft—protect your Social Security number

Your Social Security Statement

Prepared especially for **Wanda Worker**

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See inside for your personal information → [socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov)

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Your Estimated Benefits

You have earned enough credits to qualify for benefits. At your current earnings rate, if you stop working and start receiving benefits... \$ 1,018 a month

At age 62, your payment would be about... \$ 1,476 a month

If you continue working until... \$ 1,840 a month

If you full retirement age (67 years), your payment would be about... \$ 1,840 a month

age 70, your payment would be about... \$ 1,840 a month

You have earned enough credits to qualify for benefits. If you become disabled right now, your payment would be about... \$ 1,350 a month

If you get retirement or disability benefits, your spouse and children also may qualify for benefits. If you die this year, certain members of your family may qualify for the following benefits:

Your Earnings Record

Years You Worked	Your Taxed Social Security Earnings	Your Taxed Medicare Earnings
1983	560	560
1984	1,358	1,358
1985	2,312	2,312
1986	3,756	3,756
1987	5,241	5,241
1988	6,530	6,530
1989	8,674	8,674
1990	10,416	10,416
1991	12,665	12,665
1992	14,921	14,921
1993	16,448	16,448
1994	18,156	18,156
1995	20,054	20,054
1996	22,049	22,049
1997	24,213	24,213
1998	26,267	26,267
1999	28,452	28,452
2000	30,674	30,674
2001	31,991	31,991
2002	32,863	32,863
2003	34,191	34,191
2004	36,288	36,288
2005	38,097	38,097
2006	40,352	40,352
2007	Not yet recorded	Not yet recorded

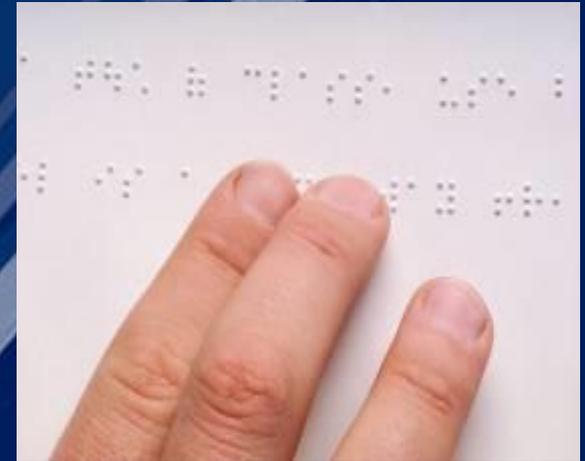
You and your family may be eligible for valuable benefits:
When you die, your family may be eligible to receive survivors benefits.
Social Security may help you if you become disabled—even at a young age.
A young person who has worked and paid Social Security taxes in as few as two years can be eligible for disability benefits.
Social Security credits you earn move with you from job to job throughout your career.


Michael J. Astrue
Commissioner

* These estimates are based on the intermediate assumptions from the Social Security Trustees' Annual Report to the Congress.

Disability for an Adult (Over Age 18) Both Social Security and SSI

- Must have a physical or mental impairment (or combination of conditions)
- Inability to perform substantial work activity
- Disability must be expected to last 12 consecutive months or result in death
- We consider age, education and past work activity



Social Security Benefits for Adults Disabled Since Childhood



Benefits can be paid on the record of a disabled, retired or deceased parent to an unmarried child of any age if the child became disabled before the age of 22

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

Who Can Get SSI?

People with limited income and resources who are:

- blind, at any age; or
- disabled, at any age; or
- age 65 or older

SSI Benefits for Adults

- Resource limits
 - \$2,000 for individual
 - \$3,000 for couple

- We count
 - bank accounts (CDs, IRAs)
 - second car
 - stocks and bonds, 401Ks
 - liquid assets
 - property other than where you live



Medicaid

- People who qualify for SSI also qualify for Medicaid
- Your local medical assistance office will contact you for additional information the agency needs for qualification



The Application Process

There are several ways to apply for benefits:

- Visit our website at *www.socialsecurity.gov* to apply online
- Call or visit any Social Security office to schedule an appointment
- Contact us toll-free at **1-800-772-1213**
(TTY **1-800-325-0778**)

The Application Process

When you apply for benefits, we will ask you to:

- Describe your disabling condition
- Give us information about where you have received treatment for your disability
- Give us information about your medications
- Give us information about your education and past work history
- Authorize release of your records to be used in making the disability decision



The Application Process

To apply for benefits, you must:

- Complete an application
- Provide information about your disabling condition and work activity on a disability report form

Some forms can be completed online, depending on the type of benefit

For more information, visit our website:

www.socialsecurity.gov/applyfordisability

What You Can Complete Online

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

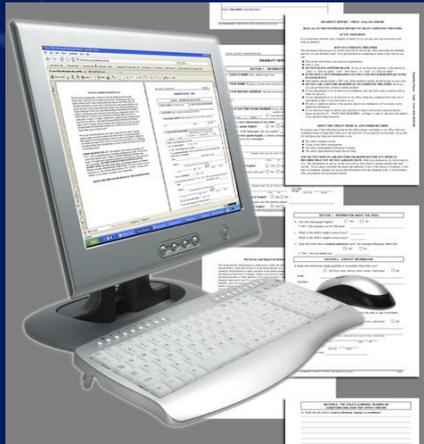
You can complete the *Adult Disability and Work History Report* (Form SSA-3368)

Call 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778)
or contact your local Social Security office to
set up an appointment to complete the SSI
application in person or over the phone

What You Can Complete Online

Disability Benefits for Children

You can complete the *Child Disability Report* (Form SSA-3820)



Call **1-800-772-1213** (TTY **1-800-325-0778**) or contact your local Social Security office to set up an appointment to complete the rest of the application in person or over the phone

What Happens Next

- Social Security will forward your application to the state Disability Determination Services (DDS) agency
- The DDS will contact your medical providers to obtain your medical records
- The DDS may ask you to provide additional information about how your condition affects your daily activities

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