Social Security



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Social Security Programs

- > 1935 Retirement Insurance
- > 1939 Survivors Insurance
- > 1956 Disability Insurance
- > 1965 Medicare Program
- > 1972 Supplemental Security Income

A Foundation for Planning Your Future

OTHER INCOME SAVINGS & INVESTMENTS PENSION SOCIAL SECURITY

Who Pays for Social Security?

Today's Workers &
Employers

Today's Beneficiaries



How Do You Qualify for Retirement Benefits?

- You need to work to earn Social Security "credits"
- Each \$1,360 in earnings gives you one credit
- You can earn a maximum of 4 credits per year



Example: To earn 4 credits in 2019, you must earn at least \$5,440. Earning 40 credits (10 years of work) throughout your working life will qualify you for a retirement benefit.

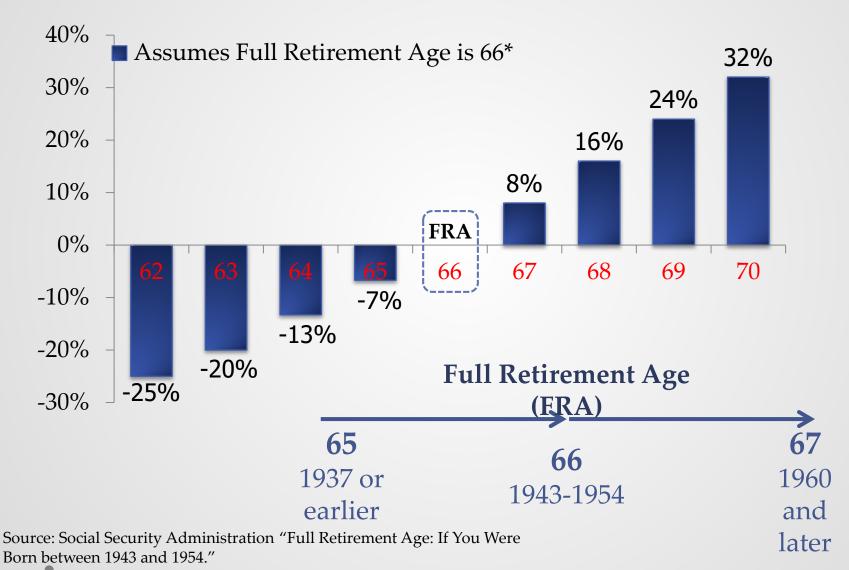
Full Retirement Age

Year of Birth

Full Retirement Age

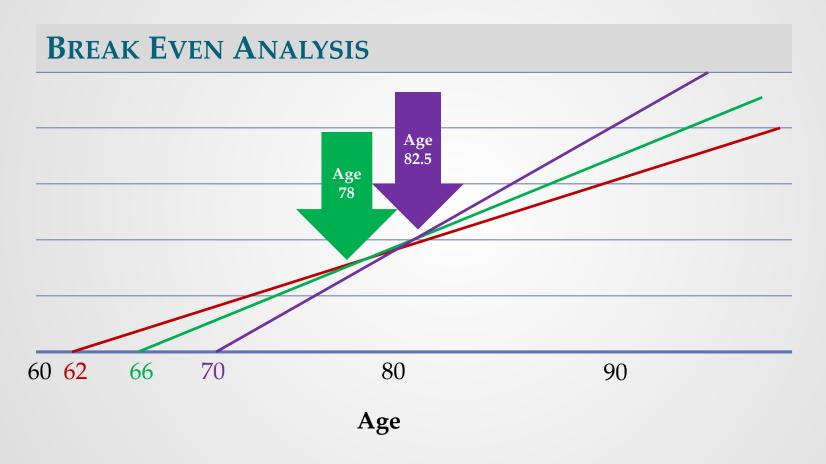
1937 or earlier	65
1938	65 & 2 months
1939	65 & 4 months
1940	65 & 6 months
1941	65 & 8 months
1942	65 & 10 months
1943 – 1954	66
1955	66 & 2 months
1956	66 & 4 months
1957	66 & 6 months
1958	66 & 8 months
1959	66 & 10 months
1960 or later	67

Collecting Early vs. Collecting Late



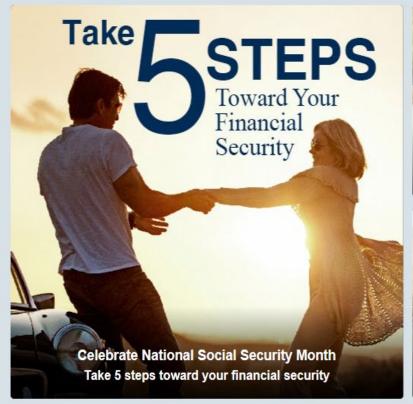
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A Question of Longevity

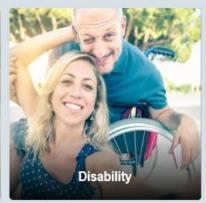


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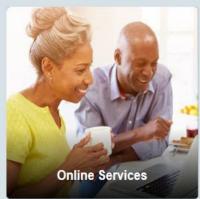
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Use the Retirement Estimator



- Convenient, secure, and quick financial planning tool
- ➤ Immediate and accurate benefit estimates
- Lets you create "What if" scenarios based on different ages and earnings

You Can Work & Still Receive Benefits

If You Are

In 2019 You Can Make Up To If You Make More, Some Benefits Will Be Withheld

Under Full Retirement Age \$17,640/yr. (\$1,470/mo.)

\$1 for every \$2

The Year Full Retirement Age is Reached

\$46,920/yr. (\$3,910/mo.)

\$1 for every \$3

Month of Full Retirement Age and Above

No Limit

No Limit



How Do I Apply for Retirement Benefits?

- > Apply online at <u>www.socialsecurity.gov</u>
 - It is the most convenient way to apply;
- > Call Social Security to schedule an appointment
 - 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778);
- > Apply at your local Social Security office.



Covered or Non-Covered

If you are going to receive a pension from an employer where you paid into social security, you have a **covered plan**

If you receive a pension from an employer that you did <u>not</u> pay into social security, you have a <u>non-covered plan</u>.



Planning for Retirement

Social Security offers complete information on how to plan for your retirement.

USE OUR RETIREMENT PLANNER

Already Receiving Benefits

If you receive retirement or spouse's retirement benefits, you can get information and services for managing your benefits online.

MANAGE YOUR BENEFITS

Apply for Retirement Benefits

Social Security offers an online retirement application that you can complete in as little as 15 minutes. It's so easy. Better yet, you can apply from the comfort of your home or office at a time most convenient for you. There's no need to drive to a local Social Security office or wait for an appointment with a Social Security representative.

In most cases, once your application is submitted electronically, you're done. There are no forms to sign and usually no documentation is required. Social Security will process your application and contact you if any further information is needed.

Apply for Retirement Benefits | Return to a Saved Application

Check Application Status

Related Information

Retirement Publications

Benefit Calculators

Estimate your retirement benefits

Find your full retirement age

Benefits for your spouse

Benefits for you as a spouse

If you are eligible for a spouse's benefit and your own retirement benefit

Retirement Toolkit



When Do I Get Paid

Depends what day you were born

- 1st 10th of month
- 11th 20th of month
- 21st 31st of Month
- = Second Wednesday of Month
- = Third Wednesday of Month
 - = Fourth Wednesday of Month



In Addition to the Retiree, Who Else Can Get Benefits?

Your Child

- Not married under 18 (under 19 if still in high school)
- Not married and disabled before age 22

Your Spouse

- > Age 62 or older
- At any age, if caring for a child under age 16 or disabled
- Must be married at least one year



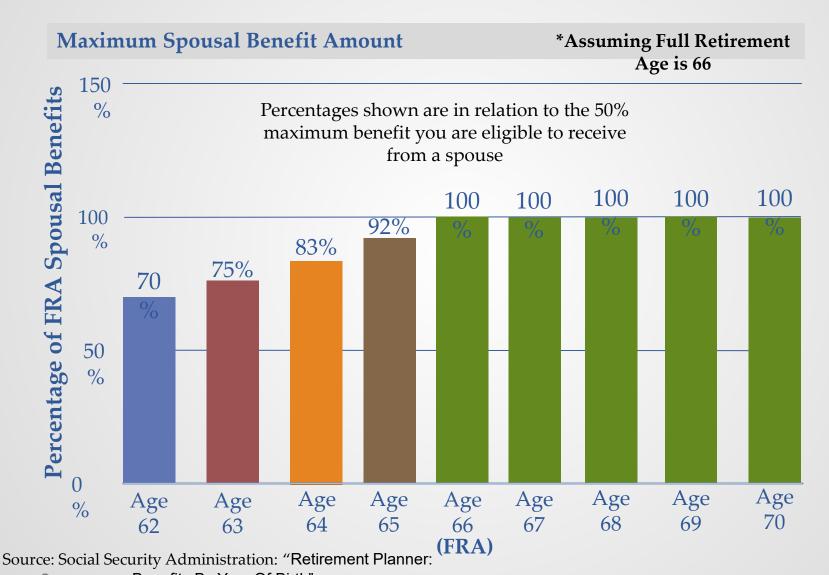
Spouse's Benefit Computation

- Benefit is 50% of worker's unreduced benefit
- Reduction for early retirement (32.5% 37.5%)
- Spouse's benefit does NOT reduce payment to worker



Spousal Benefits

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Benefits By Year Of Birth" (www.ssa.gov) Date Accessed: 8/3/16

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Your Ex-Spouse

- ➤ Marriage lasted at least 10 years
- Ex-spouse 62 or older
- Divorced at least two years and you and your ex-spouse are at least 62, he or she can get benefits even if you are not retired
- Ex-spouse's benefit amount has no effect on the amount you or your current spouse can get

Who Can Get Survivors Benefits?

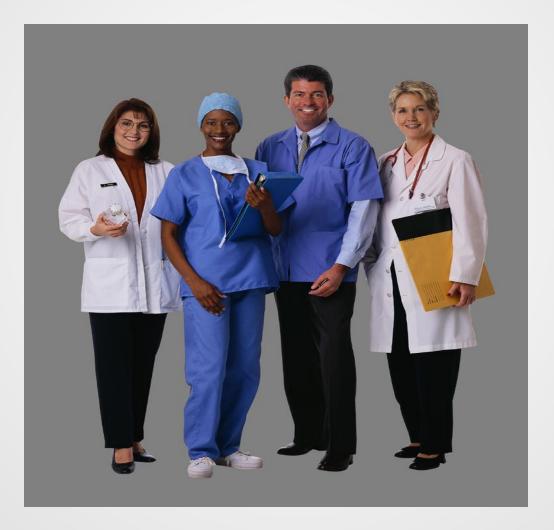
Your Child if:

- Not married under age 18 (under 19 if still in high school)
- ➤ Not married and disabled before age 22

Widow or Widower:

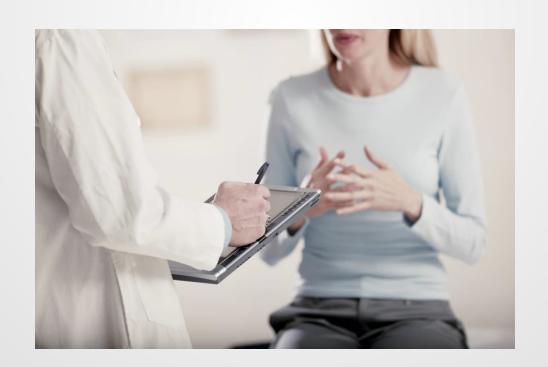
- > Full benefits at full retirement age
- > Reduced benefits at age 60 (71.5%)
- ➤ If disabled as early as age 50
- > At any age if caring for child under 16 or disabled
- > Remarriage after age 60 (50 if disabled)
- > Divorced widows/widowers may qualify

Programs for Individuals with Disabilities



Social Security's Disability Definition:

A medical condition or combination of impairments preventing substantial work for at least 12 months, or expected to result in death. The determination also considers age, education & work experience.



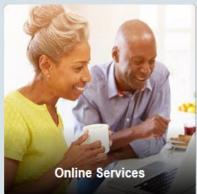
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Who Can Open a my Social Security Account?

You must be at least 18 years old and have a:



- Valid E-mail address;
- Social Security number; and
- U.S. mailing address.

my Social Security Services

If you don't get benefits, you can—

View, save, and print your online Social Security Statement.

If you do get benefits you can—

- Get your benefit verification letter;
- Check your benefit and payment information and your earnings record;
- > Change your address and phone number; and
- > Start or change your direct deposit.

Who Can Get Medicare?

65 & older

-or-

24 months after entitlement to Social Security disability benefits

-or-

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis

-or-

Permanent kidney failure and receive maintenance dialysis or a kidney transplant

How To Apply Online For Just Medicare

You can apply online for Medicare even if you are not ready to retire. Use our online application to sign up for Medicare. It takes less than 10 minutes. In most cases, once your application is submitted electronically, you're done. There are no forms to sign and usually no documentation is required. Social Security will process your application and contact you if we need more information. Otherwise, you'll receive your Medicare card in the mail.

Medicare is managed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). Social Security works with CMS by enrolling people in Medicare.

For more information about applying for Medicare only and delaying retirement benefits, visit Applying for Medicare Only – Before You Decide.

Note

If you have a Health Savings Account (HSA) and/or health insurance based on employment, you may want to ask your personnel office or insurance company how signing up for Medicare will affect you.

To find out what documents and information you need to apply, go to the Checklist For The Online Medicare, Retirement, And Spouses Application 🚣

Apply for Medicare Only Use the online application to apply for just Medicare.

Return to a Saved Application Finish an application you already started.

Check Application Status Check the status of an application you submitted.

Questions about our online application

> Who can apply for Medicare online?

When should I apply?

Why apply for Medicare online?

What happens after I apply?

Other Medicare registration/enrollment options

For More Medicare Information

1-800-MEDICARE

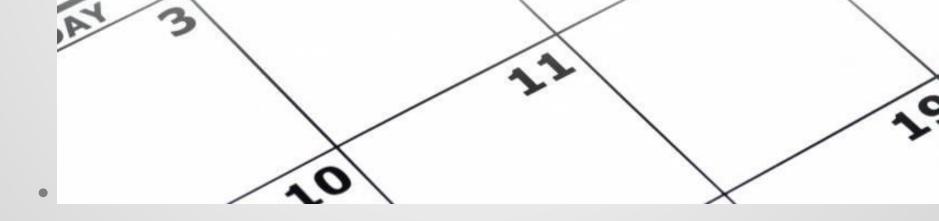
- (1-800-633-4227)
- TTY 1-877-486-2048
- www.medicare.gov

www.wyomingseniors.com/services/wyoming

When Can I Sign Up for Medicare Part B?

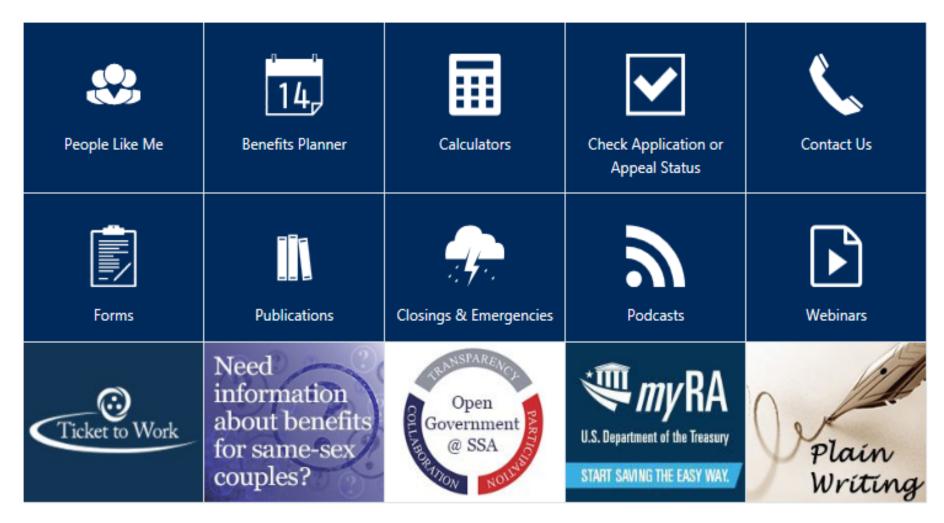
Medicare Enrollment Periods:

- ➤ Initial at age 65
- > Special if still working
- > General January-March



Forms Where Are They? Bottom of Homepage

Items of Interest















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