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Presentation Overview - 2022


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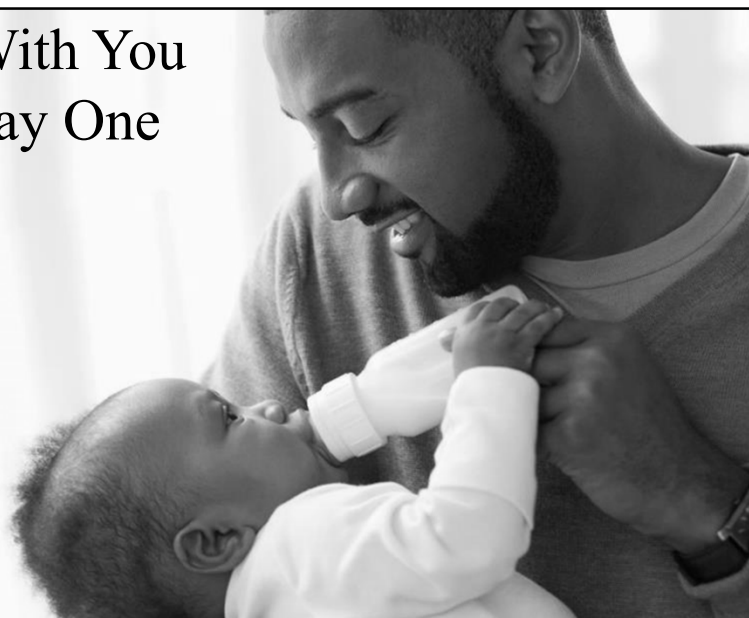
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Social Security Statement

We redesigned the *Statement* to make it easier for you to read and find the information you need!

The redesigned *Statement* now includes a bar graph displaying your personalized retirement benefit estimates at nine different ages, depending on when you want benefits to start. It also includes your earnings history, and information on how to report an error if you find one.





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How Do You Qualify for Retirement Benefits?

- By earning “credits” when you work and pay Social Security taxes
- You need 40 credits (10 years of work) and you must be 62 or older
- Each \$1,510 in earnings gives you one credit
- You can earn a maximum of 4 credits per year

Note: To earn 4 credits in 2022, you must earn at least \$6,040.

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How Social Security Determines Your Benefit

Benefits are based on earnings

Step 1 - Your wages are adjusted for changes in wage levels over time

Step 2 - Find the monthly average of your 35 highest earnings years


Step 3 - Result is “average indexed monthly earnings”

<https://www.ssa.gov/OACT/COLA/Benefits.html>



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2022 Retirement Benefit Formula

If your average monthly earnings are = \$7,000
Then your monthly benefit would be = \$2,693

Average Monthly Earnings = \$7,000

90% of First.....	\$1,024 is \$922
32% of Earnings over \$1,024 through \$6,172... (\$6,172 - \$1,024 = \$5,148)	\$5,148 is \$1,647
15% of Earnings over \$6,172.....	\$828 is \$124
	\$7,000 is \$2,693

**Payments rounded to whole dollar amounts*




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Benefits Chart by Age

Year of Birth	Full Retirement Age	A \$1000 retirement benefit taken at age 62 would be reduced by
1943-1954	66	25%
1955	66 and 2 months	25.83%
1956	66 and 4 months	26.67%
1957	66 and 6 months	27.5%
1958	66 and 8 months	28.33%
1959	66 and 10 months	29.17%
1960 +	67	30%

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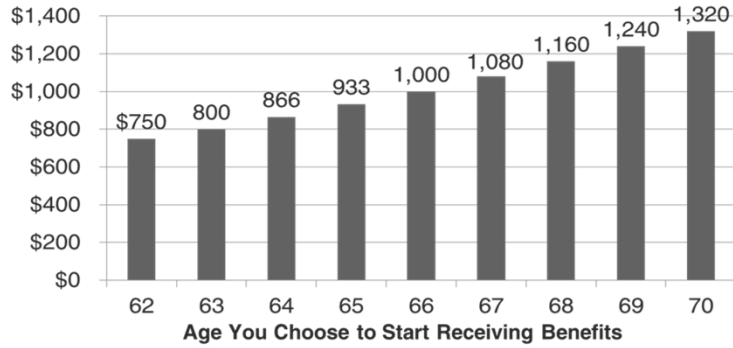


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What Is the Best Age to Start Receiving Social Security Retirement Benefits?

Monthly Benefit Amounts Differ Based on the Age You Decide to Start Receiving Benefits

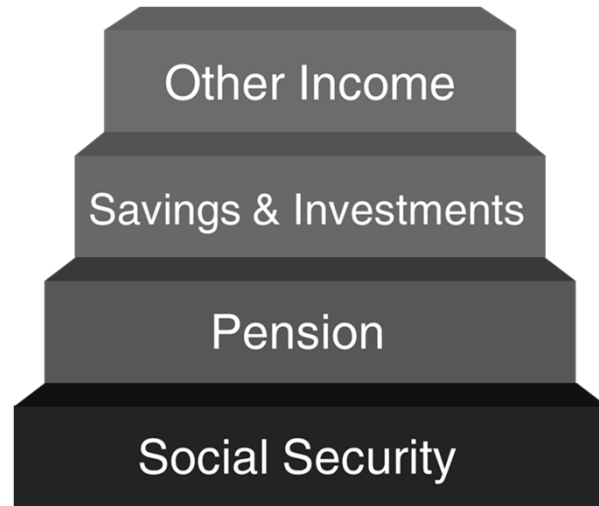


Note: This example assumes a benefit of \$1,000 at a full retirement age of 66



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Retirement Estimator

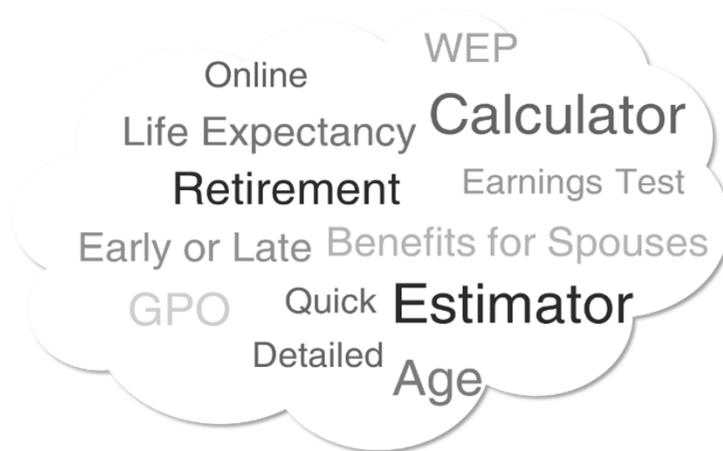
- Gives estimates based on your actual Social Security earnings record
- You can use the Retirement Estimator if:
 - You have enough Social Security credits at this time to qualify for benefits **and**
 - You are **not**:
 - Currently receiving benefits on your own Social Security record;
 - Waiting for a decision about your application for benefits or Medicare;
 - Age 62 or older and receiving benefits on another Social Security record; **or**
 - Eligible for a Pension Based on Work Not Covered By Social Security.



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Social Security's Online Calculators




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Working While Receiving Benefits

If you are	You can make up to	If you earn more, some benefits will be withheld
Under Full Retirement Age	\$19,560/yr.	\$1 for every \$2
The Year Full Retirement Age is Reached	\$51,960/yr. before month of full retirement age	\$1 for every \$3
Month of Full Retirement Age and Above	No Limit	No Limit






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Taxation of Social Security Benefits

Your adjusted gross income
+ Nontaxable interest
+ $\frac{1}{2}$ of your Social Security benefits
= Your "**combined income**"

Federal Tax Filing Status	"Combined Income"	Taxable Percentage	
	Individual	\$25,000 - \$34,000	50%
	Individual	Over \$34,000	85%
	Married Jointly	\$32,000 - \$44,000	50%
	Married Jointly	Over \$44,000	85%

 **are married and file a separate tax return, you will probably pay taxes on your benefits.**



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Taxation of Social Security Benefits

Your adjusted gross income
 + Nontaxable interest
 + ½ of your Social Security
benefits
 = Your “**combined income**”

Publication 554, *Tax Guide for Seniors*
 Publication 915, *Social Security and Equivalent Railroad Retirement Benefits*
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Who Else Can Receive Benefits?



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Auxiliary Benefits for Children

A child must have:

- A parent who's disabled or retired and entitled to Social Security benefits; or
- A parent who died after having worked long enough in a job where they paid Social Security taxes.

The child must also be:

- Unmarried;
- Younger than age 18;
- 18-19 years old and a full-time student (no higher than grade 12);
- 18 or older and disabled from a disability that started before age 22.

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Social Security Spouse's Benefits

- Born **after** 1/01/1954? Must apply for your own benefit first
- Earliest Age: 62 (reduced benefit)
- **Spouse** payment rate: **up to** 50% of the worker's full benefit amount (does not reduce payments to the worker)
- **Divorced Spouse**: 10-year marriage and single (former spouse not required to apply for own benefit – worker must be at least 62)
- Calculation: If own **full** benefit is less than 50% of the worker's **full** benefit, then the benefits are combined.

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Spousal Benefit Reduction Based on Retirement Age

Year of Birth	Full Retirement Age	A \$1000 retirement benefit taken at age 62 would be reduced by	A \$500 spouse benefit taken at age 62 would be reduced by
1943-1954	66	25%	30%
1955	66 and 2 months	25.83%	30.83%
1956	66 and 4 months	26.67%	31.67%
1957	66 and 6 months	27.5%	32.5%
1958	66 and 8 months	28.33%	33.33%
1959	66 and 10 months	29.17%	34.17%
1960 +	67	30%	35%



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Spouse Benefit Computation

Kelly's own Full Retirement Age (FRA) benefit= **\$800**

Kelly's spouse/Ex-spouse FRA amount = **\$2,000**

\$1,000	Kelly's max spouse benefit (50% of \$2,000)
- \$800	Kelly's own FRA benefit
\$200	Kelly's spousal payment

Kelly's spousal benefit (**\$200**) is added to Kelly's own FRA benefit (**\$800**) for a **total benefit** of **\$1,000**



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Survivor Benefits

- At age 60, eligible for 71.5% of the deceased's workers FRA (full retirement age) benefit; waiting increases payment amount; or
- At age 62, eligible for 82.5%; or
- At Full Retirement age, eligible for up to 100% of the deceased's workers FRA benefit (payments are reduced in the worker filed early retirement); or
- If disabled, receive as early as age 50; or
- Caring for minor child of the deceased worker who is under the age of 16
- Surviving Divorced Spouse – duration of marriage must be met (10-year)
 - Must be unmarried unless remarriage after age 60 (50 if disabled)



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Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)

What is it?

SSDI provides a monthly benefit to people who are no longer able to work because of a significant disabling condition(s). SSA does not pay partial or temporary disability benefits.

Who is it for?

People who cannot perform substantial work activity may qualify if they:

- have medical condition(s) expected to last at least 12 months or result in death
- are younger than full retirement age (FRA) and earn less than the substantial gainful activity (SGA) limit
- have recent work and a certain number of work credits based on age

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Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

What is it?

SSI is a federal program that provides monthly payments to people who have limited income and resources.

Who is it for?

People who are 65 or older, as well as for those of any age, including children, who are blind or who have disabilities and have limited income and resources.

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SSDI vs. SSI

Social Security Disability Insurance	Supplemental Security Income
Payments come from Social Security trust funds and are based on a person's earnings.	Payments come from the general treasury fund, NOT the Social Security trust funds. SSI payments are not based on a person's earnings.
Insurance that workers earn by paying Social Security taxes on their wages.	Needs-based public assistance program that does not require a person to have a work history.
Pays benefits to disabled individuals who are unable to work, regardless of their income and resources.	Pays disabled individuals who are unable to work AND have limited income and resources; pays aged individuals 65 and older with limited income and resources.
Pays benefits for workers and for adults disabled since childhood. Must meet insured status requirements.	Benefits for children and adults in financial need. Must have limited income and limited resources.



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What's New in 2022?

- The Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA) amount for individuals with disabilities, other than blindness, is \$1,350 per month for 2022.
- The SGA amount for individuals who are blind is \$2,260 per month.
- The monthly earnings amount that we use to determine if a month counts as a Trial Work Period month is \$970 per month.
- The Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Federal Benefit Rate (FBR) is \$841 per month for an eligible individual and \$1,261 per month for an eligible couple.



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Understanding Medicare

Medicare is a federal health insurance program for people age 65 or older, certain people under 65 with disabilities, and people of any age with End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) (permanent kidney failure requiring dialysis or a kidney transplant). The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) manages the Medicare program. There are different parts to the Medicare program. Social Security takes applications for and enrolls people in Parts A and B. Private insurance companies take applications for and provide coverage under Part C (Medicare Advantage), Part D (Prescription Drug), and the Medicare Supplement Insurance program (Medigap). This document explains some of the options you may have when choosing your Medicare coverage. Note that if you choose not to enroll in Medicare Parts B or D when first eligible and then decide to enroll later, you may have to pay higher monthly premiums, also known as a late enrollment penalty, for as long as you have coverage. Also, you may have to wait for a "Special Enrollment Period" to enroll in Part B, which may delay this coverage. You may have to wait for an Open Enrollment Period to enroll in Part D.

Parts of Medicare

Medicare helps with the cost of health care, but it may not cover all medical expenses and does not cover the cost of long-term care when it's the only care you need. This section explains the different parts of Medicare and the services they cover.

Original Medicare (Parts A and B)

- Original Medicare includes:
- Part A
 - Part B
- You can add:
- Part D
 - Supplemental Coverage

Medicare Advantage (Part C)

- Medicare Advantage includes:
- Part A
 - Part B
- Most plans also include:
- Part D
 - Extra Benefits

- Part A (Hospital Insurance)** helps pay for inpatient care in a hospital or for a limited time at a skilled nursing facility (following a hospital stay). Part A also pays for some home health care and hospice care.
- Part B (Medical Insurance)** helps pay for services from doctors and other health care providers, outpatient care, home health care, durable medical equipment, and some preventive services. After you meet your deductible for the year, you typically pay 20% of the Medicare-approved amount for most of these services.
- Part D (Prescription Drug Coverage)** helps cover the cost of prescription drugs and many shots and vaccines.
- Medicare Supplemental Insurance Program (Medigap)** is extra insurance you can buy from a private company that helps pay your share of costs in Original Medicare.
- Medicare Advantage (Medicare Part C)** is a "bundled" plan, offered by Medicare-approved private companies, that includes all benefits and services covered under Parts A and B, usually Part D, and may include additional benefits such as vision, hearing, and dental.

Your Medicare Enrollment Options

If you're getting benefits from Social Security or the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) at least 4 months before you turn 65, you'll automatically get Part A and Part B when you turn 65. If you live in Puerto Rico, you automatically get Part A, and if you want Part B, you'll need to sign up for it. If you're not getting benefits from Social Security or the RRB at least 4 months before you turn 65, you'll need to sign up with Social Security to get Part A and Part B. However, you may delay signing up for Part B if you qualify for a Special Enrollment Period. <https://www.ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10012.pdf>. If you're under 65 and have a disability, you'll automatically get Part A and Part B after you get disability benefits from Social Security, or certain disability benefits from the RRB, for 24 months.

You can choose one of two ways of getting Medicare coverage:

Original Medicare

- Includes Medicare Part A (hospital insurance) and Part B (Medical Insurance).
- If you have a work history, you most likely will not pay a premium for Medicare Part A because of Medicare taxes you paid while working.
- You will pay monthly premiums for Medicare Parts B and D, and Medigap, unless you qualify for a low-income subsidy.
- If you want drug coverage, you can join a separate Medicare drug plan (Part D).
- To help pay your out-of-pocket costs in Original Medicare (like your 20% coinsurance), you can also sign for and buy supplemental coverage, like Medigap or insurance from a private company.
- You can use any doctor or hospital that takes Medicare, anywhere in the U.S.
- The cost of the Part B late enrollment penalty increases the longer you go without Part B coverage or employer group health insurance. Your Part B monthly premium will go up 10% for each 12-month period you were eligible but did not enroll. If you have group health insurance and work for an employer with 20 or more employees, you can delay Medicare Part B without penalty.
- The cost of the Part D late enrollment penalty depends on how long you went without Part D or creditable prescription drug coverage. Your Part D late enrollment penalty is 1% of the national base beneficiary premium multiplied by the number of months you were eligible but didn't join a Medicare drug plan. Usually, you don't pay a penalty if you had other creditable prescription drug coverage. Creditable coverage means the coverage must be, on average, at least as good as Medicare's standard prescription coverage.
- Learn more about **Original Medicare** at www.ssa.gov/benefits/medicare.

Medicare Advantage (also known as Part C)

- Medicare Advantage is an "all in one" alternative to Original Medicare. These "bundled" plans include Part A, Part B, and usually Part D.
- You must first be enrolled in Original Medicare before you can choose to switch to a Medicare Advantage plan.
- Plans may have lower out-of-pocket costs than Original Medicare.
- In most cases, you'll need to use doctors who are in the plan's network.
- Most plans offer extra benefits that Original Medicare doesn't cover—like vision, hearing, dental, and more by Medicare.
- Coverage is provided by private insurance companies approved by Medicare.
- In addition to the monthly premium for Part B, Medicare Advantage plans may charge an additional premium for the extra benefits they offer.
- Learn more about **Medicare Advantage** at [Medicare.gov/pubs/EN-05-10043.pdf](https://www.ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10043.pdf) or the CMS publication, [Medicare-Advantage-Plans.pdf](https://www.cms.gov/medicare/medicare-advantage/medicare-advantage-plans.pdf).



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For additional information, visit our publication, Medicare, at www.ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10043.pdf or the CMS publication, Medicare & You, at [Medicare.gov/pubs/pdf/0308-Medicare-and-You.pdf](https://www.cms.gov/medicare/medicare-advantage/medicare-advantage-plans.pdf).

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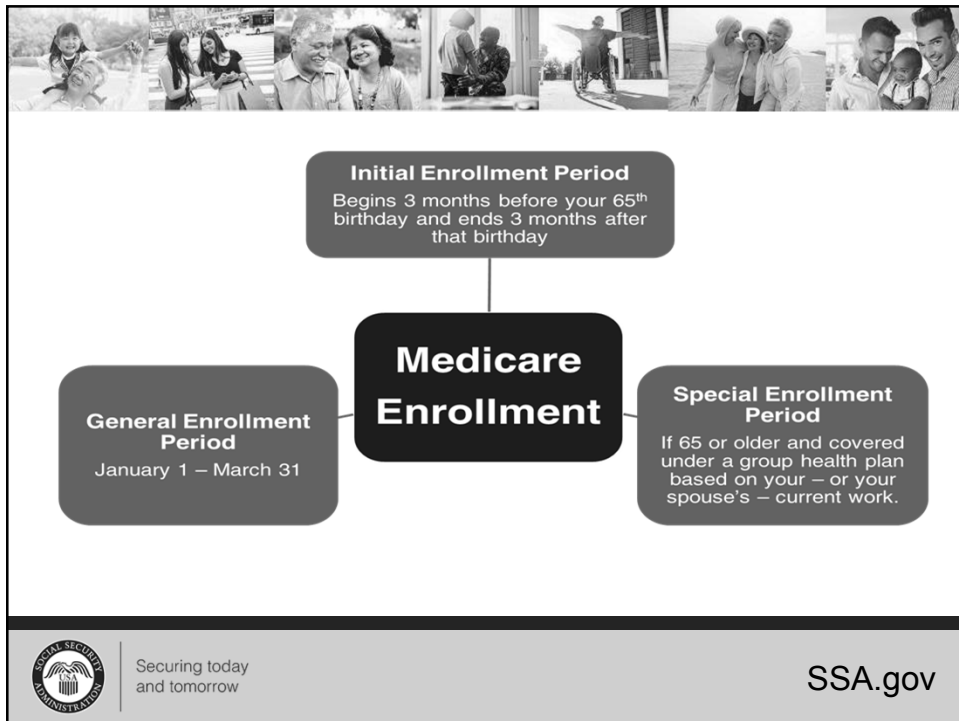
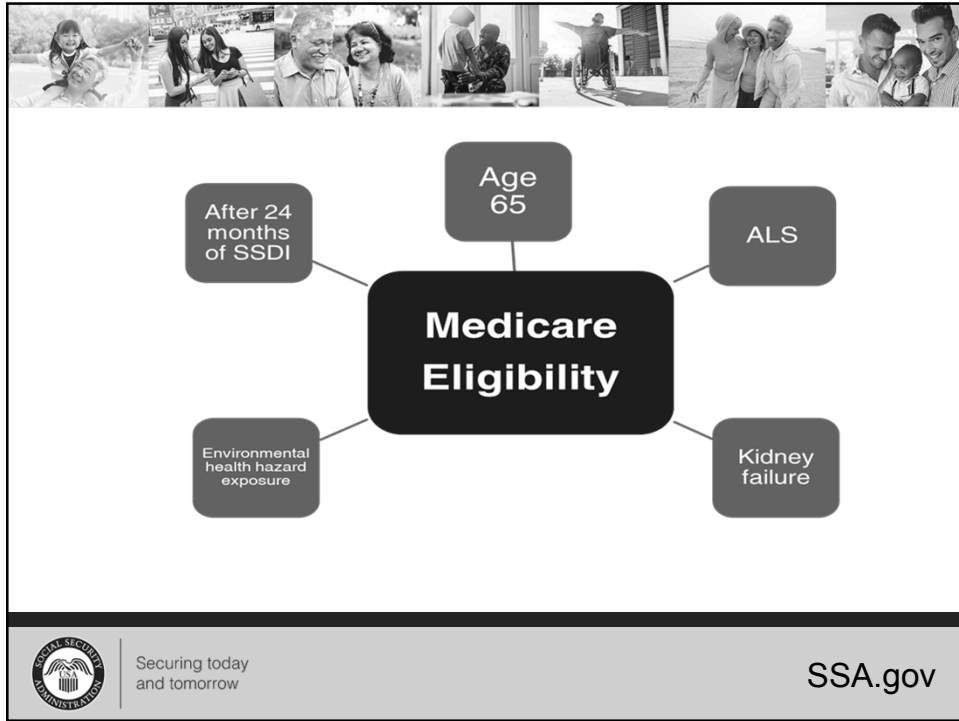
Original Medicare	Medicare Advantage (aka Part C)
Part A (Hospital Insurance) Part B (Medical Insurance)	Part A (Hospital Insurance) Part B (Medical Insurance)
You can add: Part D (Prescription Drug Plan)	Most plans include: Part D (Prescription Drug Plan) Extra Benefits (e.g. vision, hearing, dental, and more)
You can also add: Supplemental insurance coverage (Medigap)	Some plans also include: Lower out-of-pocket costs

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Medicare Benefits

Already Enrolled in Medicare

If you have Medicare, you can get information and services online. Find out how to manage your benefits.

If you are enrolled in Medicare Part A and you want to enroll in Part B, please complete form CMS-40B, Application for Enrollment in Medicare – Part B (medical insurance). If you are applying for Medicare Part B due to a loss of employment or group health coverage, you will also need to complete form CMS-L564, Request for Employment Information.

You can use **one** of the following options to submit your enrollment request under the Special Enrollment Period:

1. Go to "Apply Online for Medicare Part B During a Special Enrollment Period" and complete CMS-40B and CMS-L564. Then upload your evidence of Group Health Plan or Large Group Health Plan.
2. Fax or mail your CMS-40B, CMS-L564, and secondary evidence to your local Social Security office (see list of secondary evidence below).

If you already have Medicare Part A and wish to add Medicare Part B, complete the online application, or fax or mail completed forms CMS-40B and CMS-L564 to your local Social Security office.



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Getting Medicare is a major milestone. Here's where you can get the information you need, no matter where you are in your Medicare journey.

5 important facts:


1. Some people get Medicare automatically, and some have to sign up. You may have to sign up if you're 65 (or almost 65) and not getting Social Security.
2. There are certain times of the year when you can sign up or change how you get your coverage.
3. If you sign up for Medicare Part B when you're first eligible, you can avoid a penalty.
4. You can choose how you get your Medicare coverage.
5. You may be able to get help with your Medicare costs.

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Name/Nombre
JOHN L SMITH

Medicare Number/Número de Medicare
1EG4-TE5-MK72

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HOSPITAL (PART A)	03-01-2016
MEDICAL (PART B)	03-01-2016

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Social Security in the Future

- The two Social Security trust funds – Old-Age and Survivors Insurance (OASI) and Disability Insurance (DI) will be able to pay all benefits in full and on time until 2034.
- The trust funds have reached the brink of asset reserve depletion in the past, but Congress made substantial modifications to avoid this.
- If Congress does not act before 2034, the trust funds will still be able to pay 78 percent of each benefit due.



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Advance Designation of Representative Payees

What is it?

- Effective March 2020, Advance Designation of Representative Payees allows you to designate in advance up to three individuals who could serve as a representative payee for you, should the need arise.

Who is it for?

- Adult and emancipated minor applicants and beneficiaries of Social Security or Supplemental Security Income, who do not have a representative payee



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How to Apply for Benefits



File online for Retirement, Spouse, Disability, or Medicare Only

- If you are disabled, you can file for Retirement and Disability with same application if you are at least 62 but not yet FRA.
- Survivor* application is not available online.



Schedule phone appointment at 1-800-772-1213*

As of March 17, 2020 - Child and survivor claims can only be done by phone.



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National 800 Number
Toll-Free: 1-800-772-1213

Social Security Office Information

Address: SUITE 1
 7185 BENTLEY ROAD
 JACKSONVILLE, FL 32256

Office: 1-877-409-8424
 TTY: 1-800-325-0788
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Schedule in-office appointment at 1-800-772-1213.

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Tina Williams

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Tina Williams began her career with the Social Security Administration in 2007 as a customer service representative in the Tallahassee, Florida office. In 2010, she was promoted to a TII Claims Specialist. In 2014, she participated in a 120-day Technical Expert (TE) detail and served as a mentor for new employees for both the customer service representatives and the TII units. In 2015, she relocated to Mandeville, Louisiana, where she participated in a 120-day virtual detail providing assistance to field offices in both Louisiana and Texas. She was given a certificate of appreciation for her participation in this program by the Dallas Region II Area Director's office. In 2016, she relocated to the Saint Augustine, Florida office into a TXVI Claims Specialist position. She continued to serve as a mentor for new employees.

As a result of her contributions, leadership, and commitment to our agency, she has received countless awards throughout her career with SSA. In 2019, she was promoted to a Public Affairs Specialist for the North Florida Area and moved to the Jacksonville South office. As such, she manages the Social Security outreach and education efforts for the North Florida area. She provides information as needed and requests to the media, executives, other employees, and the general public regarding Social Security issues and policies.

Tina is a graduate of Troy University, holding a degree in Business Administration. She is the mother of two wonderful children and is married to her high school sweetheart. She considers herself privileged to have grown up in a military family setting, having been born in Bangkok, Thailand and living in various countries, including Torrejon Air Base, Spain.