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Social Security Taxable Wage Base

See the **2022 SS Changes Fact Sheet**.

This threshold is the maximum amount of earned income on which Social Security taxes may be imposed (6.20% paid by the employee and 6.20% paid

COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTED LIMITS FOR 2022

LIMIT	2021	2022
401(k)/403(b) Elective Deferral Limit (IRC § 402(g))	\$19,500	\$20,500
The annual limit on an employee's elective deferrals to a 401(k) or 403(b) plan made through salary reduction.		
Government/Tax Exempt Deferral Limit (IRC § 457(e)(15))		
The annual limit on an employee's elective deferrals concerning Section 457 deferred compensation plans of state and local governments and taxexempt organization	\$19,500	\$20,500
401(k)/403(b)/457 Catch-up Limit (IRC § 414(v)(2)(B)(i))		
In addition to the regular limit on elective deferrals described above, employees over the age of 50 generally can make an additional "catch-up" contribution not to exceed this limit.	\$6,500	\$6,500
Defined Contribution Plan Limit (IRC § 415(c))		
The limitation for annual contributions to a defined contribution plan (such as a 401(k) plan or profit sharing plan)	\$58,000	\$61,000
Defined Benefit Plan Limit (IRC § 415(b))	\$230,000	\$245,000
The limitation on the annual benefits from a defined benefit plan.		
Annual Compensation Limit (IRC § 401(a)(17))	\$290,000	\$305,000
The maximum amount of compensation that may be taken into account for benefit calculations and nondiscrimination testing.	(\$430,000 for certain gov't plans)	(\$450,000 for certain gov't plans)
Highly Compensated Employee Threshold (IRC § 414(q))	\$130,000	\$135,000
The definition of an HCE includes a compensation threshold for the prior year. A retirement plan's discrimination testing is based on coverage and benefits for HCEs.	(for 2022 HCE determination)	(for 2023 HCE determination)
Key Employee Compensation Threshold (IRC § 416)		
The definition of a key employee includes a compensation threshold. Key employees must be determined for purposes of applying the top-heavy rules. Generally, a plan is top-heavy if the plan benefits of key employees exceed 60% of the aggregate plan benefits of all employees.	\$185,000	\$200,000
SEP Minimum Compensation Limit (IRC § 408(k)(2)(C))	\$650	\$650
The mandatory participation requirements for a simplified employee pension (SEP) includes this minimum compensation threshold.		
SIMPLE Employee Contribution (IRC § 408(p)(2)(E))	\$13,500	\$14,000
The limitation on deferrals to a SIMPLE retirement account.		
SIMPLE Catch-up Limit (IRC § 414(v)(2)(B)(ii)))		
The maximum amount of catch-up contributions that individuals age 50 or over may make to a SIMPLE retirement account or SIMPLE 401(k)	\$3,000	\$3,000

\$142,800

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