

Economic Impact Payment (EIP): Stimulus Check



What is the EIP?

The Economic Impact Payment (EIP) is also known as the stimulus check. This is a one-time payment made by the government to provide relief due to COVID-19.

Individual	Joint
\$1,200	\$2,400
★ \$500 for each child under the age of 17.	

Are You Eligible?

You are eligible if you are a U.S. citizen, permanent resident or qualifying resident alien who:

- ✔ Have a valid Social Security number
- ✔ Can not be claimed as a dependent of another taxpayer
- ✔ Have adjusted gross income under certain limits

How do I apply?

Most people received their payment automatically:

- Individuals who filed a federal income tax return for 2018 or 2019

And those receiving:

- Social Security Retirement, Disability (SSDI), or Survivor benefits
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients
- Recipients of Veterans Affairs Compensation and Pension (C&P) benefits
- Railroad Retirement (RRB) benefits

Non-Filers

People who have little or no income and did not file a tax return are eligible to get the payment. They will need to fill out a Non-filer form on the [IRS website](http://www.IRS.gov/nonfilerEIP) (www.IRS.gov/nonfilerEIP)

Information needed for the Non-filer form:

- Full name, current mailing address and an email address
- Date of birth and valid Social Security number
- Bank account number, type and routing number, if you have one
- Identity Protection Personal Identification Number (IP PIN) you received from the IRS earlier this year, if you have one
- Driver's license or state-issued ID, if you have one
- For each qualifying child during 2019: name, Social Security number or Adoption Taxpayer Identification Number and their relationship to you or your spouse

Deadlines

For taxpayers who requested an extension of time to file a 2019 tax return, that deadline was October 15. If you had a filing requirement and did not file a 2018 or 2019 return before the deadline, you will be able to claim your EIP on your 2020 tax return during the 2021 tax season.


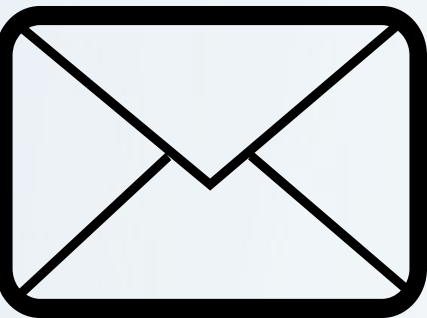
For non-filers, you have until **November 21, 2020 at 3 PM** to apply for their stimulus using the IRS Non-Filer Tool. This applies to those who have not yet received their EIP and do not normally file a tax return.

Federal beneficiaries that did not file a tax return in 2018 or 2019 and did not receive the additional \$500 payment for their qualifying children now have until **November 21, 2020 at 3 PM** to register using the Non-Filer Tool. This includes those receiving Social Security retirement, survivor or disability benefits, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Railroad Retirement benefits and Veterans Affairs Compensation and Pension (C&P) benefits.

Payment Information

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Economic Impact Payments may be issued a number of ways, including Direct Deposit, as well as prepaid card or paper check mailed to your last known address.

 <p>Direct Deposit</p>	<p>Direct deposit is the quickest way to receive your Economic Impact Payment. The payment will be deposited into the bank account provided on your tax return or non-filer form.</p>
 <p>Mail</p>	<p>Your payment will be sent through the mail if you do not provide your bank account information.</p> <p>The payment will either be issued as a check or a prepaid debt card.</p>

Prepaid Debt Card

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- ★ The prepaid debit card will come in an envelope with a return address from **Money Network Cardholder Services.**
- ★ You can use your prepaid card everywhere visa is accepted.
- ★ You must call 1.800.240.8100 to activate your card.
- ★ You can use your prepaid card to get cash. Please visit eipcard.com to see a list of fees.
- ★ Information needed for card activation:
 - Card Number
 - last 6-digits of your social security number
 - 3-digit security code from the back of your card

For more information visit irs.gov

Contact the [Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service Tax Hotline](#)
for questions about the EIP's legal implications
(443) 451-4091
Monday-Friday: 10am-4pm