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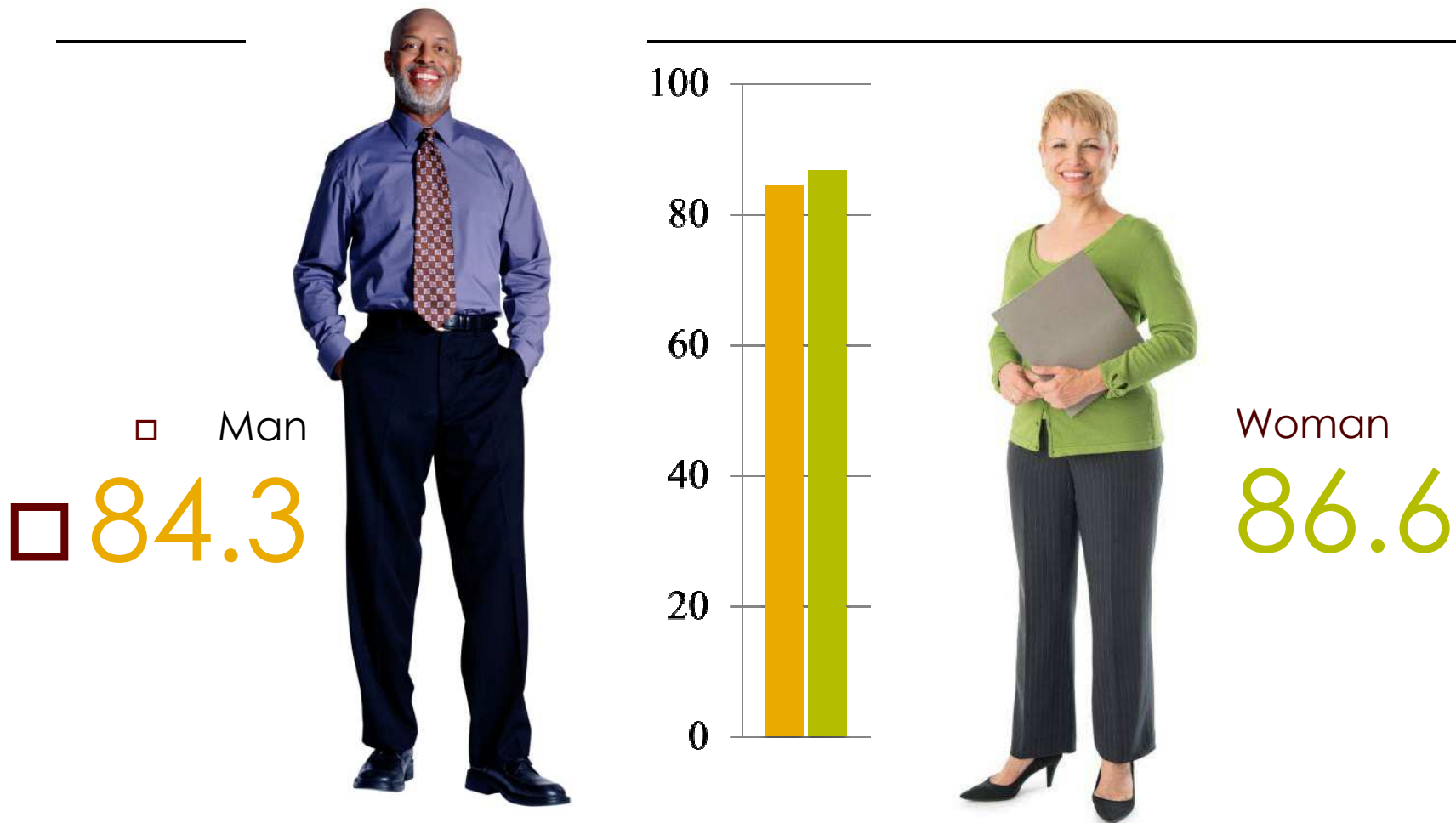
Agenda

- Welcome
- Nearing Retirement – Craig Brass of UBS
- Medicare – Don Apel of Cornerstone Municipal Advisory Group
- Retirement Application Process- Kelly Tapper
- Q & A
- www.wcers.org

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Pre-retirement meeting***

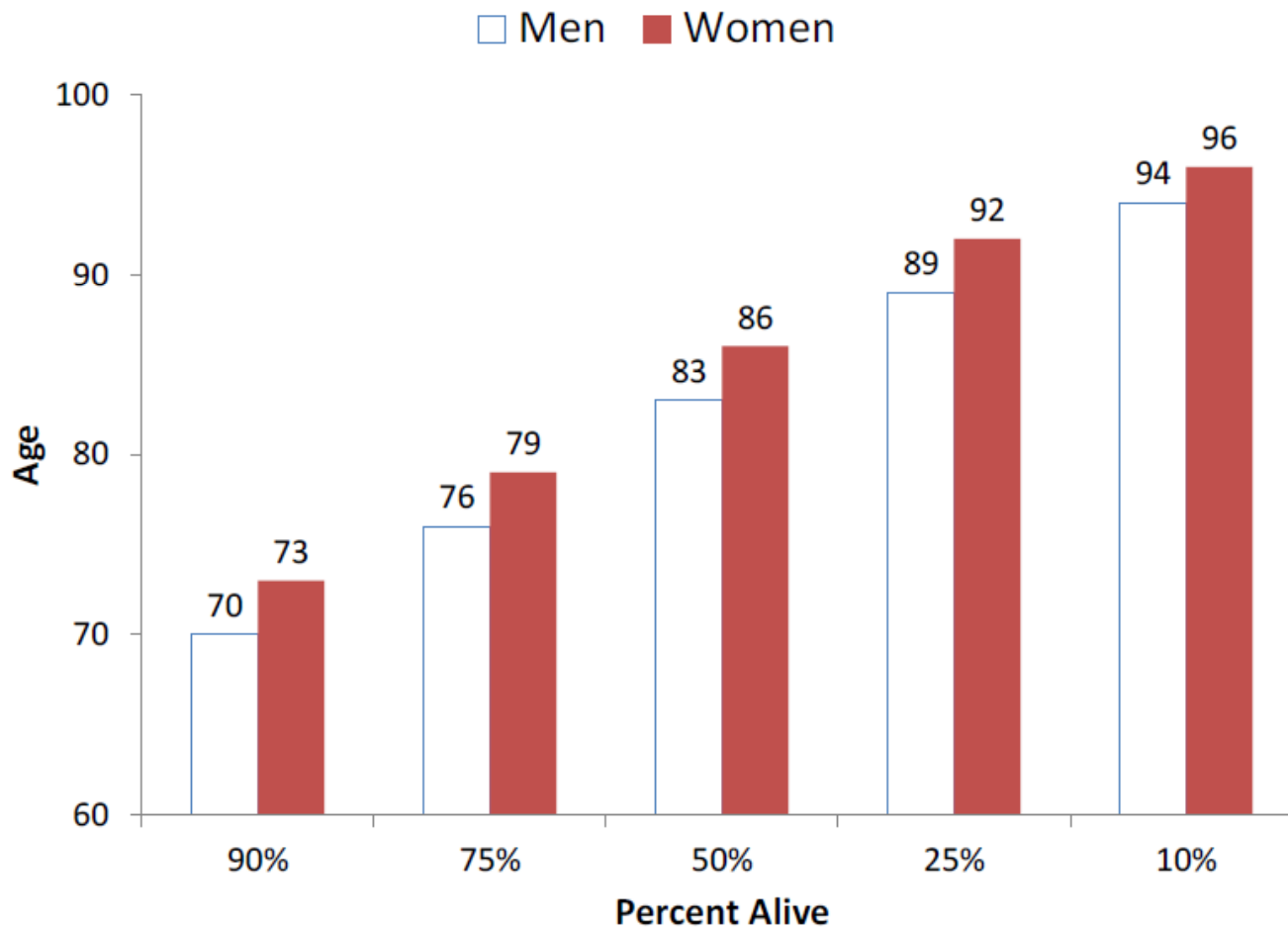
Nearing Retirement

Retirement facts-Life Expectancy at age 65 today



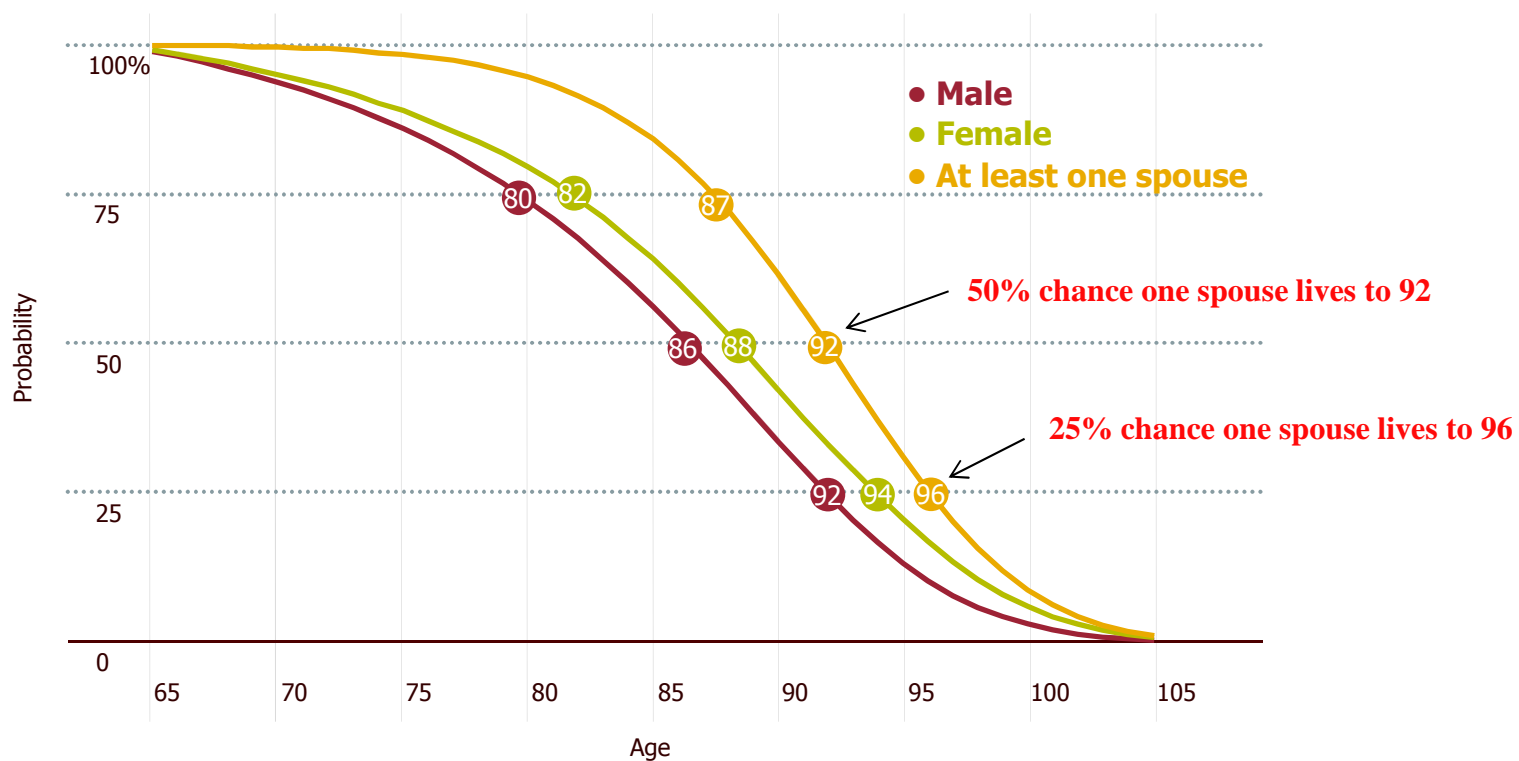
Source Social Security Administration, Life Expectancy, 2014, (<http://ssa.gov/planners/lifeexpectancy.htm>).

You Don't Want to Outlive Your Money



Savings need to go further

Probability of a 65-year-old living to various ages



Source: 2012 Individual Annuity Mortality Basic Tables, Society of Actuaries.
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Retirement is More Than a Number

Planning a successful, financially stress-free retirement (if that's possible) is more than randomly determining how much money you need to accumulate during your working years and/or how much income you'll need.

It's about developing goals, determining predictable costs, and understanding the social benefits that you will be entitled to receive.

Retirement isn't a one-time event, retirement is a lifestyle, one that you want to live on your terms. The earlier you begin planning for this lifestyle the better it will be.



Establish a Solid Retirement Vision/Goal

- What do you envision lifestyle to be during retirement
- Income needed to support your desired lifestyle
- At what age should you retire?
- How much will you get from Social Security?
- How much of a 'nest egg' will you need?
- Additional Social Security strategies
- How does Medicare work, and the ancillary costs



Establish a Solid Retirement Vision/Goal

What do you envision lifestyle to be during retirement?

This is the adult version of *what do you want to be when you grow up* question. It is also one of the most difficult to answer.

Many, many people find leaving the day-to-day workplace a frightful proposition. Numerous questions abound, most initially focusing on money, then gradually shifting to time. Suffice to say, no one wants to run out of money before they run out of time.



Establish a Solid Retirement Vision/Goal

What do you envision lifestyle to be during retirement?

The majority of people, when asked, will more than likely state that what they want to do during retirement is essentially the same thing they do today, minus the work part.

- If they like to travel, they want to travel more.
- If they like to garden, they want to garden more.
- If they like to spend time with their grandchildren, they want to spend more time with their grandchildren.

Basically, people want to have the same lifestyle during retirement that they have the year before retiring.



Establish a Solid Retirement Vision/Goal

Income Needed to Support the Lifestyle

- As you get closer to retirement the better prepared you'll be to determine how much retirement is going to cost. Doing more of what you like, traveling, golfing, etc., will cost money. And since you're no longer working (ancillary topic), you best start to work on a budget, determine your costs.
- Look to see what you're spending now on the things you'll need to buy in retirement, specifically food, utilities, health care, transportation, housing, and fun (not necessarily in that order).
- This will give you a baseline on your potential costs, but there's one more step...



Establish a Solid Retirement Vision/Goal

Income Needed to Support the Lifestyle

- It is highly advisable to step into retirement with the least amount of debt as reasonably possible, and no debt is best.
- The less you owe the less you'll need. The less you need the further what you have will go.
- The biggest cost will be housing. ***Paying off your mortgage prior to retirement is some of the best advice we can give.***
- Once you have your cost estimates in place you can realistically begin to work toward an annual income goal. Armed with that you can factor in Social Security, any other payments you may have coming, then get a firm grip on how much money you may need to supplement your income.

Establish a Solid Retirement Vision/Goal

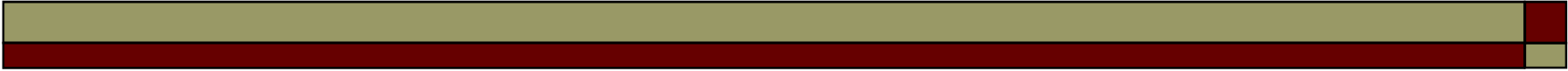
Establishing a Budget

| Home Expenses | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Category | Current Monthly Amount | Retirement Annual Amount |
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| Homeowner's Insurance | \$100.00 | \$1,200.00 |
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| Clothing - Spouse | \$200.00 | \$2,400.00 |
| Dining Out | \$200.00 | \$2,400.00 |
| Entertainment | \$100.00 | \$1,200.00 |
| Gifts | \$25.00 | \$300.00 |
| Groceries | \$400.00 | \$4,800.00 |
| Household Items | \$50.00 | \$600.00 |
| Personal Care | \$100.00 | \$1,200.00 |
| Recreation | \$100.00 | \$1,200.00 |
| Medical | \$500.00 | \$6,000.00 |
| Vacation / Travel | \$500.00 | \$6,000.00 |
| Subtotal: | \$2,950.00 | \$35,400.00 |

Total

\$60,000.00



Establish a Solid Retirement Vision/Goal Age at Retirement

There are many factors that determine at what age a person retires. Health, age of spouse, income needs, total debt, amount of accumulated assets, Social Security benefits, Medicare benefits, etc.

It's very important to understand your Social Security options prior to making this decision, as Social Security will provide guaranteed throughout retirement.



Establish a Solid Retirement Vision/Goal

How does Medicare work?

Understanding Medicare, and how it effects you and your family, is equally as important as the Social Security benefit component.

While there is substantial coverage, there are also out of pocket costs. The extra costs are essential to your expense calculations, especially if you have a history of medical issues that will continue through your lifetime.

This will be discussed later in this presentation.



Establish a Solid Retirement Vision/Goal

How much will you get from Social Security?

Many people wonder how their benefit is figured. Social Security benefits are based on your lifetime earnings. Your actual earnings are adjusted or “indexed” to account for changes in average wages since the year the earnings were received. Then Social Security calculates your average indexed monthly earnings during the **35 years in which you earned the most.**

There are additional considerations and computations, but this is the one of the key factors. More on this later in the presentation.

Ssa.gov

What is 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 |

Source: Social Security Administration, January 2014

Determine Social Security Benefit Example, Retire at 62

| Year | Age | Income | Year | Age | Income | Year | Age | Income |
|------|-----|-----------------|------|-----|-----------------|------|-----|-----------------|
| 1975 | 23 | \$22,740 | 1990 | 38 | \$11,000 | 2005 | 53 | \$41,687 |
| 1976 | 24 | \$23,204 | 1991 | 39 | \$31,417 | 2006 | 54 | \$42,538 |
| 1977 | 25 | \$23,677 | 1992 | 40 | \$32,059 | 2007 | 55 | \$43,406 |
| 1978 | 26 | \$24,160 | 1993 | 41 | \$32,713 | 2008 | 56 | \$44,292 |
| 1979 | 27 | \$24,654 | 1994 | 42 | \$33,380 | 2009 | 57 | \$45,196 |
| 1980 | 28 | \$25,157 | 1995 | 43 | \$34,062 | 2010 | 58 | \$46,118 |
| 1981 | 29 | \$25,670 | 1996 | 44 | \$34,757 | 2011 | 59 | \$47,060 |
| 1982 | 30 | \$26,194 | 1997 | 45 | \$35,466 | 2012 | 60 | \$48,020 |
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| 1984 | 32 | \$27,274 | 1999 | 47 | \$36,928 | 2014 | 62 | \$50,000 |
| 1985 | 33 | \$27,831 | 2000 | 48 | \$37,682 | 2015 | 63 | Retired |
| 1986 | 34 | \$28,399 | 2001 | 49 | \$38,451 | 2016 | 64 | Retired |
| 1987 | 35 | \$28,978 | 2002 | 50 | \$39,236 | 2017 | 65 | Retired |
| 1988 | 36 | \$29,570 | 2003 | 51 | \$40,037 | 2018 | 66 | Retired |
| 1989 | 37 | \$30,173 | 2004 | 52 | \$40,854 | 2019 | 67 | Retired |

Monthly Benefit*: \$1,587

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Determine Social Security Benefit Example, Retire at 66

| Year | Age | Income | Year | Age | Income | Year | Age | Income |
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| 1989 | 37 | \$30,173 | 2004 | 52 | \$40,854 | 2019 | 67 | Retired |

Monthly Benefit*: \$2,107

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Establish a Solid Retirement Vision/Goal

How much of a nest egg will you need?

After determining an estimate of costs associated with your retirement (living expenses), and establishing what your Social Security benefit will be, you will be better informed as to how much money you will need to receive from your retirement plan and outside savings.

EXAMPLE

Establish a Solid Retirement Vision/Goal

Establishing a Budget

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| Cell Phone(s) | \$50.00 | \$600.00 |
| Clothing - Client | \$100.00 | \$1,200.00 |
| Clothing - Spouse | \$200.00 | \$2,400.00 |
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Establishing a Budget with Income

The 4% spending rule

- Since the 1980s, the 4% spending rule has become standard for retirement planning.
- The idea is to take 4% of your savings and investments per year, adjusted for inflation, as income.
- Many investors are astounded that the rule is so stingy. Why is it so low?
- Many experts are worried that it may be too generous. After all, are we not worried about low interest rates?
- For our purposes let me remind you that this rule is being used as an example, an not a guarantee of results. Everyone will be different.

Establish a Solid Retirement Vision/Goal

Establishing a Budget with Income

| Established Expenses (with mortgage) | | | Established Expenses (with mortgage) | | |
|---|----------------|-----------------|---|----------------|-----------------|
| | Monthly | Annual | | Monthly | Annual |
| Home Expenses | \$2,050 | \$24,600 | Home Expenses | \$2,050 | \$24,600 |
| Personal Expenses | \$2,950 | \$35,400 | Personal Expenses | \$2,950 | \$35,400 |
| Total | \$5,000 | \$60,000 | Total | \$5,000 | \$60,000 |
| Income with two Social Security checks | | | Income with two Social Security checks | | |
| | Monthly | Annual | | Monthly | Annual |
| Early Social Security Spouse 1 | \$1,587 | \$19,044 | Full Social Security Spouse 1 | \$2,107 | \$25,284 |
| Early Social Security Spouse 2 | \$1,200 | \$14,400 | Full Social Security Spouse 2 | \$1,500 | \$18,000 |
| Gap | (\$2,213) | (\$26,556) | Gap | (\$1,393) | (\$16,716) |
| Amount of Nest Egg needed to fill gap at 4% withdrawal rate | \$663,900 | | Amount of Nest Egg needed to fill gap at 4% withdrawal rate | \$417,900 | |

Establish a Solid Retirement Vision/Goal

Establishing a Budget with Income

| Established Expenses (without mortgage) | | | Established Expenses (without mortgage) | | |
|---|----------------|-----------------|---|----------------|-----------------|
| | Monthly | Annual | | Monthly | Annual |
| Home Expenses | \$950 | \$11,400 | Home Expenses | \$950 | \$11,400 |
| Personal Expenses | \$2,950 | \$35,400 | Personal Expenses | \$2,950 | \$35,400 |
| Total | \$3,900 | \$46,800 | Total | \$3,900 | \$46,800 |
| Income with two Social Security checks | | | Income with two Social Security checks | | |
| | Monthly | Annual | | Monthly | Annual |
| Early Social Security Spouse 1 | \$1,587 | \$19,044 | Full Social Security Spouse 1 | \$2,107 | \$25,284 |
| Early Social Security Spouse 2 | \$1,200 | \$14,400 | Full Social Security Spouse 2 | \$1,500 | \$18,000 |
| Gap | (\$1,113) | (\$13,356) | Gap | (\$293) | (\$3,516) |
| Amount of Nest Egg needed to fill gap at 4% withdrawal rate | \$333,900 | | Amount of Nest Egg needed to fill gap at 4% withdrawal rate | \$87,900 | |



Social Security, extra

There are a few other variables regarding Social Security regarding the age which you elect to begin receiving distributions.

Here are a few examples.

Social Security, Electing Early Benefits*

If elected early, the Retirement Benefit you will receive is reduced to this percentage of your full benefit at each age:

| Age when you begin receiving benefits | Wage Earner |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| 62 | 75% |
| 62 + 6 months | 77.5 |
| 63 | 80 |
| 63 + 4 months | 82.2 |
| 64 | 86.7 |
| 64 + 9 months | 91.7 |
| 65 | 93.3 |
| 66 | 100 |

*Source: SSA.gov. If you were born between 1943 & 1954



Social Security, Electing Late Benefits*

However, if you delay your benefit, the Retirement Benefit you will receive is increased to this percentage of your full benefit at each age:

| | |
|----|-----|
| 66 | 100 |
| 67 | 108 |
| 68 | 116 |
| 69 | 124 |
| 70 | 132 |

*Source: SSA.gov. If you were born between 1943 & 1954

Social Security, Electing Late Benefits

However, if you delay your benefit, the Retirement Benefit you will receive is increased to this percentage of your full benefit at each age. From our example:

| | Early Age 62 | | Full Retirement | | Age 70 | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|----------|-----------------|----------|---------|----------|
| | Monthly | Annual | Monthly | Annual | Monthly | Annual |
| Full Social Security Spouse 1 | \$1,587 | \$19,044 | \$2,107 | \$25,284 | \$2,781 | \$33,375 |
| Full Social Security Spouse 2 | \$1,200 | \$14,400 | \$1,500 | \$18,000 | \$1,980 | \$23,760 |
| Totals | \$2,787 | \$33,444 | \$3,607 | \$43,284 | \$4,761 | \$57,135 |

Additional Social Security Options

| | First Eligible | At Full Retirement Age | At Age 70 | Spouse 2 Begins at 70, Spouse 1 at FRA | Spouse 2 File/suspend Spouse 1 Restricted | Spouse 1 File/suspend Spouse 2 Restricted |
|--|----------------|------------------------|-----------|--|---|---|
|--|----------------|------------------------|-----------|--|---|---|

Start Age

| | | | | | | |
|----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Spouse 1 | 62 | 65 | 70 | 67 | 67 | 70 |
| Spouse 2 | 62 | 67 | 70 | 70 | 70 | 67 |

1st Year Benefit

| | | | | | | |
|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Spouse 1 | \$ 16,025 | \$ 18,099 | \$ 25,896 | \$ 20,884 | \$ 15,366 | \$ 25,896 |
| Spouse 2 | \$ 20,856 | \$ 30,732 | \$ 38,108 | \$ 38,108 | \$ 38,108 | \$ 10,442 |

Breakeven

| | | | | | | |
|----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Spouse 1 | na | na | 82 | 81 | 79 | 79 |
| Spouse 2 | na | na | 82 | 81 | 79 | 79 |

Accessing Your Social Security Statement Online

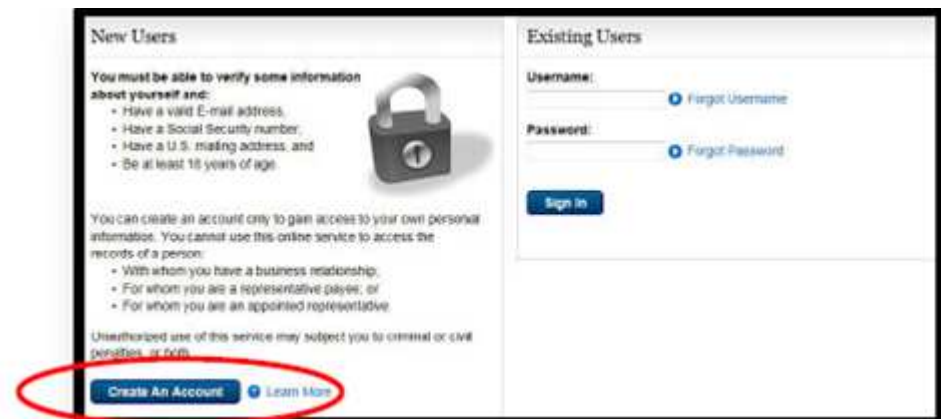
Step 1:

Visit www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount and select: **my Social Security**.



Step 2:

Select **“Create An Account.”**



Source: Social Security Administration, January 2014

The Department of Labor is here to help

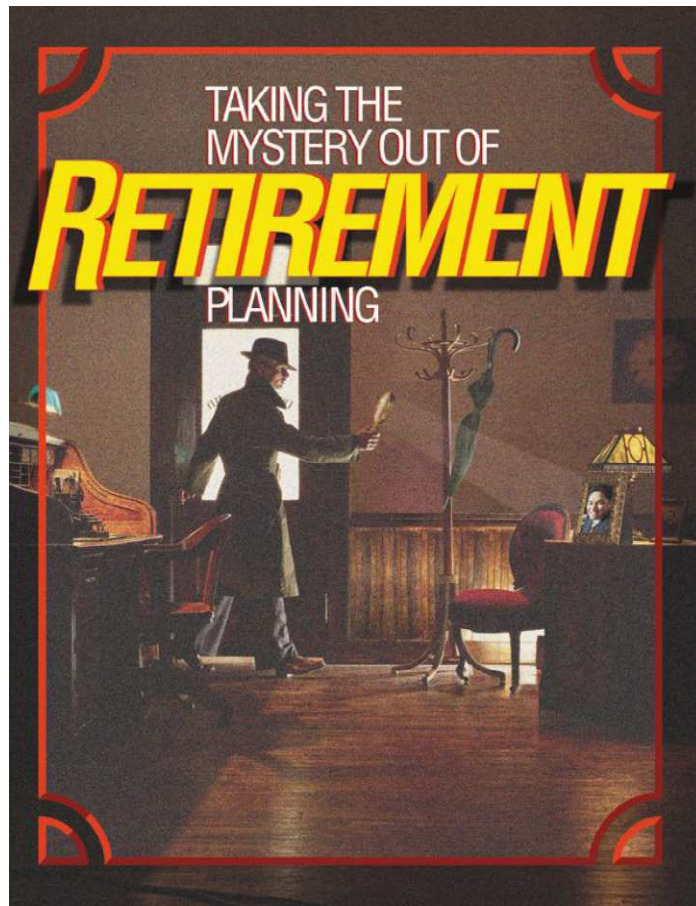


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This publication can be downloaded in PDF

DOL Retirement Expense Calculator

<http://askebsa.dol.gov/retirementcalculator/UI/general.aspx>

Social Security Quick Calculator

<http://www.socialsecurity.gov/cgi-bin/benefit6.cgi>

Social Security

www.ssa.gov

Planning for Accumulation

<http://www.choosetosave.org/ballpark/>

For help with asset allocation, questions about the Wayne County retirement plans, or your personal retirement needs, please call: 888-802-5126

2015 Retirement Readiness

Medicare Basics

*Content provided by Centers
for Medicare and Medicaid
Services*

What Is Medicare?

- Health insurance for people
 - 65 and older
 - Under 65 with certain disabilities
 - Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis
 - Any age with End-Stage Renal Disease

NOTE: To get Part A and/or Part B, you must be a U.S. citizen or lawfully present in the United States.

Who Runs Medicare?

- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
 - Administers program
- Social Security Administration (SSA)
 - Enrolls most individuals
- Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) enrolls railroad retirees

The 4 Parts of Medicare



**Part A
Hospital
Insurance**



**Part B
Medical
Insurance**



**Part C
Medicare
Advantage
Plans (like
HMOs/PPOs)**
Includes Part A,
Part B and
sometimes Part
D coverage



**Part D
Medicare
Prescription
Drug
Coverage**

Enrolling in Medicare—Automatic

- Automatic enrollment for those receiving
 - Social Security benefits
 - Railroad Retirement Board benefits
- Initial Enrollment Period Package
 - Mailed 3 months before
 - 65 or
 - 25th month of disability benefits
 - Includes your Medicare card



Enrolling in Medicare When It's Not Automatic

- If you're not automatically enrolled
 - You need to enroll with Social Security
 - Visit [socialsecurity.gov](https://www.socialsecurity.gov), or
 - Call 1-800-772-1213, or
 - Visit your local office
 - If retired from Railroad, enroll with the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB)
 - Call your local RRB office or 1-877-772-5772

When to Enroll in Medicare

- Your Initial Enrollment Period (IEP) lasts 7 months
 - Begins 3 months before your 65th birthday
 - Includes the month you turn 65
 - Ends 3 months after you turn 65
 - Your start date will be delayed
- Can enroll in free Part A anytime after IEP begins
- Can only enroll in Part B (and premium Part A) during IEP and other limited times
- May have a lifetime penalty if you don't enroll during IEP

Enrolling During the General Enrollment Period (GEP)

- GEP
 - For people who didn't sign up for Part B (or premium Part A) during Initial Enrollment Period
- Occurs January 1 through March 31 annually
- Coverage starts July 1
- May have to pay a lifetime penalty
 - 10% for each 12 months eligible but not enrolled

Enrolling During the Limited Special Enrollment Period (SEP)

- Most people don't qualify for a SEP
- Must have group health plan coverage based on active, current employment of you or your spouse
- Can enroll:
 - Anytime still covered by group health plan, or
 - Within 8 months of the loss of coverage or current employment, whichever happens first

NOTE: Retiree and COBRA coverage not considered active employment.

Original Medicare

Part A—Hospital Insurance Coverage



- Part A – Hospital Insurance helps cover
 - Inpatient hospital care
 - Inpatient skilled nursing facility (SNF) care
 - Blood (inpatient)
 - Certain inpatient non-religious, nonmedical health care in approved religious nonmedical institutions (RNHCIs)
 - Home health care
 - Hospice care

Paying for Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance)

- Most people don't pay a premium for Part A
 - If you paid Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) taxes at least 10 years
- If you paid FICA less than 10 years
 - Can pay a premium to get Part A
- May have a penalty if you don't enroll when first eligible

Part A—What You Pay in Original Medicare—2015

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Hospital Inpatient Stay | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$1,260 deductible and no coinsurance for days 1–60 of each benefit period ▪ \$315 per day for days 61–90 each benefit period ▪ \$630 per “lifetime reserve day” after day 90 of each benefit period (up to 60 days over your lifetime) ▪ All costs for each day after the lifetime reserve days ▪ Inpatient mental health care in a psychiatric hospital limited to 190 days in a lifetime |
| Skilled Nursing Facility Care | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$0 for the first 20 days of each benefit period ▪ \$157.50 per day for days 21–100 of each benefit period ▪ All costs for each day after day 100 in a benefit period |
| Home Health Care Services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$0 for home health care services ▪ 20% of the Medicare-approved amount for durable medical equipment |

Original Medicare

Part B—Medical Insurance Coverage

- Part B—Medical Insurance helps cover




- Doctors' services
- Outpatient medical and surgical services, supplies
- Clinical lab tests
- Durable medical equipment
- Diabetic testing supplies
- Preventive services

Medicare Part B–Covered Preventive Services

- "Welcome to Medicare" preventive visit
- Yearly "Wellness" visit
- Abdominal aortic aneurysm screening
- Alcohol misuse screening and counseling
- Bone mass measurement
- Breast cancer screening (mammogram)
- Cardiovascular disease (CVD) Risk Reduction Visit
- Cardiovascular disease screenings
- Cervical and vaginal cancer screening
- Colorectal cancer screenings
 - Screening fecal occult blood test
 - Screening flexible sigmoidoscopy
 - Screening colonoscopy
 - Screening barium enema
 - Multi-target stool DNA test **NEW!**
- Depression screening
- Diabetes screenings
- Diabetes self-management training
- Flu shots (Vaccine)
- Glaucoma tests
- Hepatitis B shots (Vaccine)
- Hepatitis C screening test **NEW!**
- HIV screening
- Lung Cancer Screening **NEW!**
- Medical nutrition therapy services
- Obesity screening and counseling
- Pneumococcal shots **UPDATE**
- Prostate cancer screening
- Sexually-transmitted infections screening and counseling
- Tobacco use cessation counseling



Monthly Part B Premium



| If Your Yearly Individual Income in 2013 was | If Your Yearly Joint Income in 2013 was | In 2015 You Pay Per Month |
|--|---|---------------------------|
| \$85,000 or less | \$170,000 or less | \$104.90 |
| \$85,000.01–\$107,000 | \$170,000.01–\$214,000 | \$146.90 |
| \$107,000.01–\$160,000 | \$214,000.01–\$320,000 | \$209.80 |
| \$160,000.01–\$214,000 | \$320,000.01–\$428,000 | \$272.70 |
| Above \$214,000 | Above \$428,000 | \$335.70 |

NOTE: Premiums are usually deducted from your Social Security benefit payment.

Part B—(Medical Insurance)

What You Pay in Original Medicare in 2015

| | |
|--|--|
| Yearly Deductible | \$147.00 |
| Coinsurance for Part B Services | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 20% coinsurance for most covered services, like doctor's services and some preventive services, if provider accepts assignment▪ \$0 for some preventive services▪ 20% coinsurance for outpatient mental health services, and copayments for hospital outpatient services |

Part B and Active Employment

- If you don't have coverage from active employment
 - Delaying Part B may mean
 - Higher premiums
 - Paying for your health care out of pocket
 - Waiting until next General Enrollment Period to enroll (January 1 –March 31)
 - With coverage not starting until July 1
- If you do have coverage through active employment
 - You may want to delay Part B
 - No penalty if you enroll while you have coverage or within 8 months of losing coverage

What Is a Medigap Policy?

- Medigap (Medicare Supplement Insurance) Policies
 - Sold by private companies
- Fills gaps in Original Medicare
 - Deductibles, coinsurance, copayments
- All plans with same letter
 - Have same coverage
 - Costs are different

Medigap Plan Types

| | Medicare Supplement Insurance (Medigap) Plans | | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|------|------|------|------|------|---------|---------|------|-------------|
| Benefits | A | B | C | D | F* | G | K | L | M | N |
| Medicare Part A coinsurance and hospital costs (up to an additional 365 days after Medicare benefits are used) | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Medicare Part B coinsurance or copayment | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 50% | 75% | 100% | 100% *** |
| Blood (first 3 pints) | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 50% | 75% | 100% | 100% |
| Part A hospice care coinsurance or copayment | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 50% | 75% | 100% | 100% |
| Skilled nursing facility care coinsurance | | | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 50% | 75% | 50% | 100% |
| Part A deductible | | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 50% | 75% | 100% | 100% |
| Part B deductible | | | 100% | | 100% | | | | | |
| Part B excess charges | | | | | 100% | 100% | | | | |
| Foreign travel emergency (up to plan limits) | | | 80% | 80% | 80% | 80% | | | 80% | 80% |
| Out-of-Pocket Limit in 2015** | | | | | | | \$4,940 | \$2,470 | | |

*Plan F is also offered as a high-deductible plan by some insurance companies in some states. If you choose this option, this means you must pay for Medicare-covered costs (coinsurance, copayments, deductibles) up to the deductible amount of \$2,180 in 2015 before your policy pays anything.

**For Plans K and L, after you meet your out-of-pocket yearly limit and your yearly Part B deductible (\$147 in 2015), the Medigap plan pays 100% of covered services for the rest of the calendar year.

*** Plan N pays 100% of the Part B coinsurance, except for a copayment of up to \$20 for some office visits and up to a \$50 copayment for emergency room visits that don't result in an inpatient admission.

When Is the Best Time to Buy a Medigap Policy?

- Consider
 - Your Medigap Open Enrollment Period (OEP) begins the month you're 65 or older AND enrolled in Part B
 - Lasts 6 months minimum, may be longer in your state
 - You have protections – companies MUST sell you a plan if in your OEP
 - You can also buy a Medigap policy whenever a company agrees to sell you one
 - If later, there may be restrictions

Part D—Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage

- Available for all people with Medicare
- Provided through
 - Medicare Prescription Drug Plans (PDPs)
 - Medicare Advantage Prescription Drug Plans (MA-PDs)
 - Some other Medicare health plans



How Medicare Part D Works

- It's optional
 - You can choose a plan and join
 - May pay a penalty to join later
- Plans have formularies
 - Lists of covered drugs
 - Must include range of drugs in each category
- You pay the plan a monthly premium
- You pay deductibles and copayments
- There is Extra Help to pay Part D costs
 - If you have limited income and resources

When Can I Enroll in a Part D Plan?

- During your 7-month Initial Enrollment Period
- During the yearly Open Enrollment Period
 - October 15–December 7 each year
 - Coverage begins January 1
- May be able to join at other times
 - Medicare Advantage Disenrollment Period
 - Special Enrollment Period
 - For example, anytime you get Extra Help

Coordination of Benefits Overview

- Each type of health insurance coverage is called a “payer”
- When there’s more than one payer, coordination of benefits rules decide which pays first
- There may be primary and secondary payers, and in some cases there may also be a third payer

When Does Medicare Pay?

- Medicare may be primary payer
 - In the absence of other primary insurance
- Medicare may be secondary payer
 - You may have other insurance that must pay first
- Medicare may not pay at all
 - For services and items other health insurance is responsible for paying

When Medicare Is the Primary Payer

- If Medicare is your only insurance, or
- Your other source of coverage is
 - A Medigap (Medicare supplement insurance) policy
 - Medicaid
 - Retiree benefits
 - The Indian Health Service
 - Veterans benefits
 - TRICARE
 - Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) continuation coverage
 - Except 30-month coordination period for people with End-Stage Renal Disease

Benefits Coordination & Recovery Center

- Identifies health benefits available to people with Medicare
- Coordinates claims to ensure they're paid by correct payer
- Responsible for identifying
 - Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) situations
 - Claims that should cross over to supplemental insurers
- MSP Claims Investigation
 - Contractor learns about other insurance
 - Identifies which is primary

Important Retiree Coverage Considerations

- Most retiree plans offer generous coverage for the entire family
 - Employer/union must disclose how its plan works with Medicare drug coverage
- If you lose your creditable prescription drug coverage, you have 63 days to enroll in a Part D plan without penalty
- People who drop retiree drug coverage may
 - Lose other health coverage
 - Not be able to get it back
 - Cause family members to lose their coverage

Employer Group Health Plans (EGHP)

| If You Are | Medicare Pays First |
|--|--|
| 65 or older and have retiree coverage | Yes |
| 65 or older with EGHP coverage through current employment (yours or your spouse's) | If the employer has less than 20 employees |
| Under 65 with a disability and have EGHP coverage through current employment (yours or a family member's) | If the employer has less than 100 employees |
| Eligible for Medicare due to End-Stage Renal Disease (ERSD) and you have EGHP coverage | When the 30-month coordination period ends, or if you had Medicare primary before you had ESRD |

Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act Coverage (COBRA)

| If You | Medicare Pays First |
|--|---|
| Are 65 or older or have a disability and have COBRA continuation coverage | In most cases |
| Have COBRA continuation coverage and are eligible for Medicare due to End-Stage Renal Disease | When your 30-month coordination period ends |

Part C—Medicare Advantage

- Health plan options approved by Medicare
 - Another way to get Medicare coverage
 - Still part of the Medicare program
 - Run by private companies
- Medicare pays the plan an amount
 - For each member's care
- May have to use network doctors or hospitals
- Types of plans available may vary



When and How Can I Enroll in a Medicare Advantage Plan?

- Generally during your Initial Enrollment Period
- During the yearly Open Enrollment Period
 - October 15–December 7 each year
 - Coverage begins January 1
- May be able to join at other times
 - Special Enrollment Period
- Contact the plan to join
 - Call their telephone number
 - Visit their website
 - Use the Medicare Plan Finder at [Medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov)

Decision: Should I Join a Medicare Advantage Plan?

- Consider
 - You must have Part A **and** Part B to join
 - Most offer comprehensive coverage
 - Including Part D drug coverage
 - Some plans may require you to use a network
 - You may need a referral to see a specialist
 - You must pay the Part B and the monthly plan premium
 - You can only join/leave plan during certain periods
 - It doesn't work with Medigap policies
 - It's **NOT** available to **MOST** people with End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)

Help for People With Limited Income and Resources

- Medicare Savings Programs
 - Help from Medicaid paying Medicare costs, including Medicare premiums, deductibles, and/or coinsurance
- Extra Help
 - Help paying Part D prescription drug costs
- Medicaid
 - Federal-state health insurance program
 - For people with limited income/resources
- Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
 - Covers uninsured children up to age 19 and may cover pregnant women
 - Family income too high for Medicaid

Helpful Websites

- Medicare - [Medicare.gov](https://www.Medicare.gov)
- Medicaid - [Medicaid.gov](https://www.Medicaid.gov)
- Social Security - [socialsecurity.gov](https://www.socialsecurity.gov)
- Health Insurance Marketplace - [HealthCare.gov](https://www.HealthCare.gov)
- CHIP - [InsureKidsNow.gov](https://www.InsureKidsNow.gov)
- CMS National Training Program - [CMS.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Training/CMSNationalTrainingProgram/index.html](https://www.CMS.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Training/CMSNationalTrainingProgram/index.html)
- State Health Insurance Assistance Program
[Medicare.gov/contacts/](https://www.Medicare.gov/contacts/)

Key Points to Remember

- Medicare is a health insurance program
- It doesn't cover all of your health care costs
- You have choices in how you get coverage
- There are programs for people with limited income and resources
- Decisions affect type of coverage you get
- Certain decisions are time-sensitive
- You can get help if you need it

Thank you



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