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2015 SOCIAL SECURITY CHANGES

o <u>Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA)</u>:

Based on the increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI-W) from the third quarter of 2013 through the third quarter of 2014, Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) beneficiaries will receive a 1.7 percent COLA for 2015. Other important 2015 Social Security information is as follows:

<u>2014</u>

o <u>Maximum Taxable Earnings</u>:

Social Security (OASDI only) Medicare (HI only) \$117,000

\$118,500

2015

There is no limit on earnings beginning the month an individual attains full retirement D J H

0	Social Security Disability Threshold	<u>ls</u> :	
	Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA)		
	Non-Blind Blind	\$1,070/mo. \$1,800/mo.	\$1,090/mo. \$1,820/mo.
	Trial Work Period (TWP)	\$ 770/mo.	\$ 780/mo.
0	Maximum Social Security Benefit:	Worker Retiring at Full R \$2,642/mo.	<u>Retirement Age:</u> \$2,663/mo.
0	SSI Federal Payment Standard:		
	Individual	\$ 721/mo.	\$ 733/mo.
	Couple	\$1,082/mo.	\$1,100/mo.
0	SSI Resources Limits:		
	Individual	\$2,000	\$2,000
	Couple	\$3,000	\$3,000
0	SSI Student Exclusion:		
	Monthly limit	\$1,750	\$1,780
	Annual limit	\$7,060	\$7,180

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