



Medicare levy calculator

Work out your Medicare levy, including any reductions or exemptions you are allowed.

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Our calculator takes between 2 and 10 minutes to complete.

The calculator results are based on the information you provide at the time of calculation. You should use these results as an estimate and for guidance purposes only.

What you can do with this calculator

You can use this calculator to work out your Medicare levy estimate for 2013–14 to 2025–26 income years.

For most taxpayers the Medicare levy is 2% of their taxable income.

The Medicare levy surcharge (MLS) is in **addition** to the Medicare levy.

You may have to pay MLS for any period during the income year when both of the following apply:

- you, your spouse, or any of your dependants don't have an appropriate level of private patient hospital cover
- your income for MLS purposes is above the threshold.

We can only calculate the exact amount of your Medicare levy when you lodge your tax return.

If you have to pay the Medicare levy, you may have to pay the Medicare levy surcharge (MLS).

We will work out if you have to pay the MLS based on the information you provide in your tax return. If applicable, we will include MLS with your Medicare levy. This will show as one amount on your notice of assessment as **Medicare levy and surcharge**.

What you will need

- Your taxable income.
- Your spouse's taxable income.
- Whether you were eligible for a **Medicare levy exemption** and the number of days you were eligible.
- Whether you were entitled to a **Seniors and pensioners tax offset (SAPTO)**.

If you have a spouse, use the calculator for your personal circumstances and then use it again for your spouse's personal circumstances to estimate the Medicare levy for both of you.

Limitations

You can't use this calculator if you:

- had a spouse and they were entitled to the seniors and pensioners tax offset
- receive exempt foreign employment income
- received a superannuation lump sum during the year and paid no tax on part or all of the amount.

What else you can do

Find out more about the Medicare levy.

Use the **Beneficiary tax offset and seniors and pensioners tax offset calculator** to work out if you're entitled to the SAPTO and the amount.

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