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IRS Annual Cost-of-Living Adjustments – Employee Benefit Plan Limitations for 2024

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The IRS has released the 2024 cost-of-living adjustments applicable to the dollar limitations on benefits and contributions of retirement plans and health and welfare benefit plans. We recommend plan sponsors update their systems and formulas to include the limits that have been adjusted.

RETIREMENT PLAN LIMITS	2024	2023	2022	2021
ELECTIVE DEFERRALS 401(K) CONTRIBUTIONS 403(B) CONTRIBUTIONS SIMPLE 401(K) CONTRIBUTIONS SIMPLE IRA CONTRIBUTIONS SARSEP CONTRIBUTIONS 457 CONTRIBUTIONS	\$23,000 \$23,000 \$16,000 \$16,000 \$23,000 \$23,000	\$22,500 \$22,500 \$15,500 \$15,500 \$22,500 \$22,500	\$20,500 \$20,500 \$14,000 \$14,000 \$20,500 \$20,500	\$19,500 \$19,500 \$13,500 \$13,500 \$19,500 \$19,500
CATCH-UP CONTRIBUTIONS (1)	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$6,500	\$6,500
SEP OR SARSEP PARTICIPATION LIMIT	\$750	\$750	\$650	\$650
Annual Additions Defined Benefit Annual Benefit Defined Contribution	\$275,000 \$69,000	\$265,000 \$66,000	\$245,000 \$61,000	\$230,000 \$58,000
ANNUAL COMPENSATION LIMIT	\$345,000	\$330,000	\$305,000	\$290,000
HIGHLY COMPENSATED EMPLOYEE (2)	\$155,000	\$150,000	\$135,000	\$130,000
TOP-HEAVY KEY EMPLOYEE (3)	\$220,000	\$215,000	\$200,000	\$185,000
FICA TAXABLE WAGE BASE SOCIAL SECURITY (TAX RATE 6.2%) MEDICARE (TAX RATE 1.45%)(4)	\$168,600 No LIMIT	\$160,200 No Limit	\$147,000 No Limit	\$142,800 No Limit
HEALTH AND WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN LIMITS	2024	2023	2022	2021
HEALTH CARE FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT	\$3,200	\$3,050	\$2,850	\$2,750
DEPENDENT CARE FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT	\$5,000/ \$2,500	\$5,000/ \$2,500	\$5,000/ \$2,500	\$5,000/ \$2,500
CONTRIBUTION LIMITS FOR HSAS SINGLE – CONTRIBUTION TO HSA FAMILY – CONTRIBUTION TO HSA CATCH-UP CONTRIBUTION (55+)	\$4,150 \$8,300 \$1,000	\$3,850 \$7,750 \$1,000	\$3,650 \$7,300 \$1,000	\$3,600 \$7,200 \$1,000
LIMITS FOR HSA COMPATIBLE HDHPS SINGLE – MINIMUM DEDUCTIBLE SINGLE – MAX OUT-OF-POCKET FAMILY – MINIMUM DEDUCTIBLE FAMILY – MAX OUT-OF-POCKET	\$1,600 \$8,050 \$3,200 \$16,100	\$1,500 \$7,500 \$3,000 \$15,000	\$1,400 \$7,050 \$2,800 \$14,100	\$1,400 \$7,000 \$2,800 \$14,000

⁽¹⁾ The catch-up contribution limit for SIMPLE 401(k) and SIMPLE IRAs is \$3,500

⁽²⁾ An employee with compensation greater than (i) \$155,000 in 2024 will be an HCE in 2025; (ii) \$150,000 in 2023 was an HCE in 2024, (iii) \$135,000 in 2022 was an HCE in 2023, and (iv) \$130,000 in 2022 was an HCE in 2021.

⁽³⁾ A "key employee" is any employee who, at any time during the plan year, is (i) an officer of the employer having annual compensation greater than \$220,000 (as indexed); (ii) a more-than-5% owner of the employer; or (iii) a more-than-1% owner of the employer having annual compensation from the employer of more than \$150,000.

⁽⁴⁾ Employees pay an additional 0.9 percent on wages greater than \$200,000 for individuals (\$250,000 for married couples filing jointly).

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