



2026 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN LIMITS

November 14, 2025

The IRS released the plan limits for 2026 yesterday. Please be certain to review the limits and update your systems accordingly.

Retirement Plan Limits	<u>2026</u>	<u>2025</u>
Compensation Limit	\$360,000	\$350,000
401(k)/403(b)/457(b) Elective Deferrals	\$24,500	\$23,500
401(k)/403(b) and 457(b) (Govt.) Catch-Up Contributions	\$8,000	\$7,500
Catch-Up Contributions for ages 60-63 ⁽¹⁾	\$11,250*	\$11,250
Roth Catch-Up Mandate Wage Threshold ⁽²⁾	\$150,000	\$145,000
SIMPLE Plan Employee Deferrals	\$17,000	\$16,500
SIMPLE Plan Catch-Up Contributions	\$4,000	\$3,500
SIMPLE Plan Catch-Up Contributions for ages 60-63 ⁽¹⁾	\$5,250*	\$5,250
Annual Defined Contribution Limit	\$72,000	\$70,000
Annual Defined Benefit Limit	\$290,000	\$280,000

Highly Compensated Employee Threshold	\$160,000*	\$160,000
Key Employee/Officer Threshold	\$235,000	\$230,000
Social Security Taxable Wage Base	\$184,500	\$176,100
Health and Welfare Plan Limits	<u>2026</u>	<u>2025</u>
High Deductible Health Plans Maximum Annual Out of Pocket - Self-Only Coverage	\$8,500	\$8,300
Maximum Annual Out of Pocket - Family Coverage	\$17,000	\$16,600
Minimum Annual Deductible – Self-Only Coverage	\$1,700	\$1,650
Minimum Annual Deductible – Family Coverage	\$3,400	\$3,300
Health Savings Accounts Annual Contribution Limit – Self-Only Coverage	\$4,400	\$4,300
Annual Contribution Limit – Family Coverage	\$8,750	\$8,550
Catch-Up Contribution Limit	\$1,000*	\$1,000
Health Flexible Spending Accounts Annual Contribution Limit	\$3,400	\$3,300

^{*}Unchanged for 2026

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^{(1) \$11,250} limit (\$5,250 for Simple Plans) applies to individuals who attain age 60, 61, 62, or 63 in 2026

⁽²⁾ Employees with FICA wages greater than \$150,000 for 2025 are subject to Roth Catch-Up Mandate in 2026



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