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Social Security Retirement Earnings Test

	Age		
	Under 65	Year individual reaches 65	Above 65
2001	\$10,680/yr. (\$890/mo.)	\$25,000/yr. (\$2,084/mo.)	
2002	\$11,280/yr. (\$940/mo.)	\$30,000/yr. (\$2,500/mo.)	
2003	\$11,520/yr. (\$960/mo.)	\$30,720/yr. (\$2,560/mo.)	
2004	\$11,640/yr. (\$970/mo.)	\$31,080/yr. (\$2,590/mo.)	
2005	\$12,000/yr. (\$1,000/mo.)	\$31,800/yr. (\$2,650/mo.)	
2006	\$12,480/yr. (\$1,040/mo.)	\$33,240/yr. (\$2,770/mo.)	
2007	\$12,960/yr. (\$1,080/mo.)	\$34,440/yr. (\$2,870/mo.)	
2008	\$13,560/yr. (\$1,130/mo.)	\$36,120/yr. (\$3,010/mo.)	
2009	\$14,160/yr. (\$1,180/mo.)	\$37,680/yr. (\$3,140/mo.)	
2010	\$14,160/yr. (\$1,180/mo.)	\$37,680/yr. (\$3,140/mo.)	No retirement earnings test
2011	\$14,160/yr. (\$1,180/mo.)	\$37,680/yr. (\$3,140/mo.)	
2012	\$14,160/yr. (\$1,180/mo.)	\$38,880/yr. (\$3,240/mo.)	
2013	\$15,120/yr. (\$1,260/mo.)	\$40,080/yr. (\$3,340/mo.)	
2014	\$15,480/yr. (\$1,290/mo.)	\$41,400/yr. (\$3,450/mo.)	
2015	\$15,720/yr. (\$1,310/mo.)	\$41,880/yr. (\$3,490/mo.)	
2016	\$15,720/yr. (\$1,310/mo.)	\$41,880/yr. (\$3,490/mo.)	

2017	\$16,920/yr. (\$1,410/mo.)	\$44,880/yr. (\$3,740/mo.)
2018	\$17,040/yr. (\$1,420/mo.)	\$45,360/yr. (\$3,780/mo.)
2019	\$17,640/yr. (\$1,470/mo.)	\$46,920/yr. (\$3,910/mo.)
Benefits withheld per \$1 above limit	\$0.50	\$0.33 [1]

[1] Applies only to earnings for months prior to reaching age 65. There is no limit on earnings beginning the month an individual reaches age 65.

Source: Social Security Administration, "Exempt Amounts Under the Earnings Test,."
Available at <http://www.ssa.gov/OACT/COLA/rtea.html> (last accessed August 5, 2019).

