



IRS releases state-by-state breakdown of nearly 9 million non-filers who will be mailed letters about Economic Impact Payments

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WASHINGTON –The Internal Revenue Service today released a state-by-state breakdown of the roughly nine million people receiving a special mailing this month encouraging them to see if they're eligible to claim an Economic Impact Payment.

The IRS will mail the letters to people who typically aren't required to file federal income tax returns but may qualify for an Economic Impact Payment. The letter urges recipients to visit the special [Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info](#) tool on IRS.gov before the Oct. 15 deadline to register for an Economic Impact Payment.

"The IRS continues to work hard to reach people eligible for these payments," said IRS Commissioner Chuck Rettig. "These mailings are the latest step by the IRS to reach as many people as possible for these important payments. We are releasing this state-by-state information so that state and local leaders and organizations can better understand the size of this population in their communities and assist them in claiming these important payments. Time is running out to claim a payment before the deadline."

These [letters](#) are part of a final stage of the IRS's sweeping outreach and public awareness campaign on the Economic Impact Payments that began in March. These efforts included IRS outreach to thousands of partner groups across the nation, including partner groups serving underserved communities, people experiencing homelessness, and those whose primary language isn't English.

So far, more than 7 million people have already used the Non-Filers tool to register for a payment.

This month's letters, delivered from an IRS address, are being sent to people who haven't filed a return for either 2018 or 2019. Based on an internal analysis, these are people who don't typically have a tax return filing requirement because they appear to have very low incomes based on Forms W-2 and 1099, and other third-party statements available to the IRS.

The breakdown below shows the number of individuals in each state to whom the IRS is sending a letter.

The letter urges the recipient to register at IRS.gov by Oct. 15 in order to receive a payment by the end of the year. Individuals can receive up to \$1,200, and married couples can receive up to \$2,400. People with qualifying children under age 17 at the end of 2019 can get up to an additional \$500 for each qualifying child.

The letter, officially known as IRS Notice 1444-A, is written in English and Spanish and includes information on eligibility criteria. If they haven't done so already, this letter urges eligible individuals to register using the free [Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info](#) tool, available in English and Spanish and only on IRS.gov. To help address fraud concerns, a [copy of the letter](#) is available on IRS.gov.

The IRS cautions that receiving a letter is not a guarantee of eligibility. An individual is likely eligible for an Economic Impact Payment if they:

- are a U.S. citizen or resident alien;



- have a work-eligible Social Security number; and
- can't be claimed as a dependent on someone else's federal income tax return.

For more information on eligibility requirements, see the Economic Impact Payment [eligibility FAQs](#) on IRS.gov.

The registration deadline for non-filers to claim an Economic Impact Payment through the Non-Filers tool is Oct. 15, 2020. People who are eligible should not wait to receive a letter and should register now. Alternatively, people can wait until next year and claim the recovery rebate credit on their 2020 federal income tax return by filing in 2021.

The IRS emphasized that anyone required to file either a 2018 or 2019 tax return should file the tax return and not use the Non-Filers tool. That tool is designed for people with incomes typically below \$24,400 for married couples, and \$12,200 for singles. This includes couples and individuals who are experiencing homelessness.

Those unable to access the Non-Filers tool may submit a simplified paper return following the procedures described in the Economic Impact Payment [FAQs](#) on IRS.gov.

People can qualify for a payment, even if they don't work or have no earned income. But low- and moderate-income workers and working families eligible to receive special tax benefits, such as the Earned Income Tax Credit or Child Tax Credit, cannot use this tool. They will need to file a regular tax return as soon as possible. The IRS will use their tax return information to determine and issue any Economic Impact Payment for which they are eligible.

Anyone using the Non-Filers tool can speed up the arrival of their payment by choosing to receive it by direct deposit. Those not choosing this option will get a check.

Beginning two weeks after they register, people can track the status of their payment using the [Get My Payment](#) tool, available only on IRS.gov.

State	State Postal Code	Total Number of EIP Payments
Armed Forces Americas	AA	522
Armed Forces Non-Americas	AE	3,096
Alabama	AL	148,242
Armed Forces Pacific	AP	2,177
Alaska	AK	30,807
Arizona	AZ	239,037
Arkansas	AR	91,386
California	CA	1,186,896
Colorado	CO	177,502
Connecticut	CT	89,458
Delaware	DE	32,875
District of Columbia	DC	33,964
Florida	FL	567,425



Georgia	GA	348,631
Hawaii	HI	48,767
Iowa	IA	71,382
Idaho	ID	40,943
Illinois	IL	309,972
Indiana	IN	150,154
Kansas	KS	69,595
Kentucky	KY	117,136
Louisiana	LA	159,575
Maine	ME	32,346
Maryland	MD	192,153
Massachusetts	MA	187,768
Michigan	MI	270,590
Minnesota	MN	115,914
Mississippi	MS	86,669
Missouri	MO	159,077
Montana	MT	30,977
Nebraska	NE	38,201
Nevada	NV	94,472
New Hampshire	NH	29,680
New Jersey	NJ	216,145
New Mexico	NM	72,333
New York	NY	537,726
North Carolina	NC	245,623
North Dakota	ND	19,596
Ohio	OH	283,194
Oklahoma	OK	123,473
Oregon	OR	131,647
Pennsylvania	PA	276,066
Rhode Island	RI	24,686
South Carolina	SC	142,382
South Dakota	SD	19,391
Tennessee	TN	171,065
Texas	TX	796,525
Utah	UT	69,140
Vermont	VT	13,665
Virginia	VA	205,600
Washington	WA	203,978



West Virginia	WV	27,788
Wisconsin	WI	111,426
Wyoming	WY	14,506
Total		8,863,344

For more information on the Economic Impact Payment, including updated answers to frequently asked questions and other resources, visit IRS.gov/coronavirus.