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Annual Income Limits - Health Benefits

2021 VA National and Priority Group 8 Relaxation Income Thresholds

Income Thresholds for Cost-Free Health Care, Medications and/or Beneficiary Eligibility

Based on Income Year 2020					
Veteran with:	VA National Income Threshold	VA Priority Group 8 Relaxation Threshold	VA Housebound Threshold	VA Pension with Aid and Attendance Threshold	VA Pension Threshold
0 dependents	\$34,616 or less	\$38,078 or less	\$17,024	\$23,238	\$13,931
1 dependents	\$41,539 or less	\$45,693 or less	\$21,337	\$27,549	\$18,243
2 dependents	\$43,921 or less	\$48,313 or less	\$23,719	\$29,931	\$20,625
3 dependents	\$46,303 or less	\$50,933 or less	\$26,101	\$32,313	\$23,007
4 dependents	\$48,685 or less	\$53,554 or less	\$28,483	\$34,695	\$25,389
For each additional dependent add:	\$2,382	\$2,382	\$2,382	\$2,382	
Child Earned Income Exclusion: \$12,950					

For certain Veterans the VA National Income Threshold (based on previous year's gross household income) and/or no eligibility for Priority Group 5 assignment and cost-free VA health care. Applicable VA pension income thresholds are for cost-free medications and/or beneficiary travel benefits.

For Geographic-Based financial assessment (means test) information refer to <https://www.va.gov/healthbenefits/resolutions/healthbenefits/apps/explorer/AnnualIncomeLimits/LegacyGMTThresholds/Index?FiscalYear=2022&PriorityGroupLevel>

Note: Unreimbursed Medical expenses (what you paid out of pocket after medical insurance pays) may be deducted from income. Unreimbursed medical expenses include: travel expenses, cost of a long term care institution or assisted living premiums (including Medicare premiums), diabetic supplies, private caregivers, incontinence supplies, prescriptions and

other health plan. Only the portion of the unreimbursed medical expenses that exceed 5% of the basic pension may be Expense Deductible).

Additional information is available at https://www.va.gov/healthbenefits/cost/financial_assessment.asp
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