

Example 1 – Basic SSI Calculation

Step 1: Determine total monthly income

Add the amount of each paycheck for the month:

\$ _____ + \$ _____ + \$ _____ = \$ _____

Step 2: Subtract general and earned income exclusions

Total of paychecks from step 1	\$ _____
Minus the general income exclusion of \$20	\$20
Minus the earned income exclusion of \$65	\$65
Equals	\$ _____

Step 3: Subtract one dollar for every two dollars remaining

Total after exclusions from step 2	\$ _____
Divided by two	/2
Equals	\$ _____

Step 4: Subtract Countable income from the SSI federal benefit rate to determine the new SSI benefit

Federal benefit rate	\$733 (for 2016)
Minus total after step 3	\$ _____
Equals new SSI check amount	\$ _____

Step 5: Compare total income

Earnings from work (total from step one)	\$ _____
Plus new SSI check (total from step four)	\$ _____
Equals new Total Income	\$ _____

