Relief Check FAQs

Q: Who is eligible for the one-time relief check?
   a. Everyone is eligible to receive a relief check as long as you have a Social Security number and you are an individual who makes less than $99,000 a year or a married couple that makes less than $198,000 a year.
   b. If you are claimed as a dependent on your parent’s tax return, you will not be eligible for this relief check. Parents who have claimed children under the age of 17 as dependents will receive an additional $500 per child.
   c. TurboTax created a 2020 Economic Impact Payment Calculator to determine if you are eligible for a relief check from the government: https://turbotax.intuit.com/stimulus-check/.

Q: How will I get my money?
   a. If you are on Social Security, receive Social Security disability benefits or veterans benefits, you don’t need to do anything. The IRS will use the information they have on file to ensure you get your relief check
   b. If you paid taxes in 2019 or 2018 and have direct deposit already established with the IRS, you will receive your money through that mechanism beginning in the third week of April.
   c. If you do not have direct deposit set up, the IRS will be launching a web portal to get you your money either via direct deposit or by mail. You will log onto that portal and follow the directions that the IRS will provide. More guidance regarding this portal to follow.
   d. TurboTax debuted an online portal where low-income Americans who don’t file a tax return can send their information to the IRS to get their relief payment as soon as possible. Non-Filers can provide their direct-deposit details or mailing address and choose how they want to receive their relief check: https://turbotax.intuit.com/stimulus-check/
      i. A PR representative for TurboTax confirmed that the relief registration web page is not the web portal to which the Treasury had previously alluded to
      ii. Additional guidance will follow in the coming weeks

Q: How much money will I get?
   d. Individuals whose adjusted gross income is $75,000 or less will receive $1,200.
   e. Married couples whose adjusted gross income is $150,000 or less will receive $2,400.
   f. If you are a parent with a child claimed as a dependent, you will receive an extra $500 per child. In general, a child is any dependent of a taxpayer under the age of 17.
g. You are eligible for checks unless you are an individual who makes more than $99,000 a year or a married couple that makes more than $198,000 a year.

h. The relief check amount decreases by $5 for every $100 you are above the $75,000 income threshold. For example. If you are an individual that makes $80,000, you will receive a $950 check.

i. You will be notified after your payment is disbursed.

**Other Questions**

a. Relief checks are not considered taxable income.

b. The normal IRS rules for child support and tax refunds will apply, which means that refunds for people who are behind on those payments may be smaller.

c. Other IRS liabilities won’t come out of the payments and even people who owe back taxes should get the full amount they qualify for.

d. Parents of children born this year won’t get a payment for that child now.