## Apply for benefits
You can apply for many different Social Security benefits at [www.socialsecurity.gov/applyonline](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/applyonline).
- Apply for Social Security retirement/spouse’s benefits;
- Apply for Social Security disability benefits (and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) if applying at the same time and you meet other criteria);
- Apply for Medicare and Extra Help with Medicare prescription drug costs.

## Estimate your future benefits
Create a my Social Security account to:
- Get your Social Security Statement;
- Check your earnings record; and
- See estimates of your potential benefit amounts.

Get your retirement benefit estimate based on your earnings record and when you might retire.

Use our planners to help you better understand your Social Security protection as you plan for your financial future. Then choose a benefit calculator to find out your monthly benefit amounts.

## If you get benefits
Create a my Social Security account and
- Get proof of your benefits;
- Check your benefit and payment information and your earnings record;
- Change your address and phone number;
- Start or change direct deposit;
- Get a replacement SSA-1099/1042S for tax season;
- Report your wages if you work and receive disability benefits; and
- Request a replacement Medicare card.

## Other things you can do online
- Check the status of your claim.
- Request a replacement Social Security card online, as long as you live in one of the participating states or the District of Columbia, are not requesting a name change or any other change to your card, and you meet other requirements.

If your application for disability benefits was denied recently for medical reasons, you can request an appeal online or continue working on an appeal you already started.

## Contacting Social Security
The most convenient way to contact us anytime, anywhere is to visit [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov) where you can also take care of some business with an online my Social Security account.

Call us toll-free at **1-800-772-1213** or at **1-800-325-0778 (TTY)** if you’re deaf or hard of hearing. We can answer your calls from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., week days. Or use our auto-mated services via telephone, 24 hours a day. We look forward to serving you.