Summary Of Selected Employee Benefit Related Limits



	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Elective Deferral Limits ¹								
401(k), 403(b) and SEPs	17,000	17,500	17,500	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,500	19,000
457 plans	17,000	17,500	17,500	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,500	19,000
SIMPLE IRAs and 401(k)s	11,500	12,000	12,000	12,500	12,500	12,500	12,500	13,000
Catch-up Contributions ¹								
401(k), 403(b), 457 and SEPs	5,500	5,500	5,500	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
SIMPLE IRAs and 401(k)s	2,500	2,500	2,500	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Maximum Annual Compensation ¹								
401(a)(17)	250,000	255,000	260,000	265,000	265,000	270,000	275,000	280,000
415 Maximum Annual Additions ¹								
Defined benefit plan dollar limit	200,000	205,000	210,000	210,000	210,000	215,000	220,000	225,000
Defined contribution plan dollar limit	50,000	51,000	52,000	53,000	53,000	54,000	55,000	56,000
Highly Compensated Employees ¹								
414(q)	115,000	115,000	115,000	120,000	120,000	120,000	120,000	125,000
Key Employees (Top Heavy) ¹								
Officers	165,000	165,000	170,000	170,000	170,000	175,000	175,000	180,000
1% owner	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	150,000
Employee Stock Ownership Plans ¹								
Five-year distribution threshold	1,015m	1,035m	1,050m	1,070m	1,070m	1,080m	1,105m	1,130m
Step up	200,000	205,000	210,000	210,000	210,000	215,000	220,000	225,000
IRAs ¹								
Annual contribution limit	5,000	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	6,000
Catch-up contributions	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
PBGC ²								
Annual maximum guaranteed benefit	55,840	57,477	59,318	60,136	60,136	64,432	65,045	67,295
Transportation Fringe Benefits ³								
Employer-provided parking (monthly)	240	245	250	250	255	255	260	265
Mass transit pass & vanpool (monthly)	125/240	245	130/250	130/250	255	255	260	265
Social Security ⁴								
Taxable wage base	110,100	113,700	117,000	118,500	118,500	127,200	128,400	132,900
Health Savings Accounts ⁵								
Individual contribution limit	3,100	3,250	3,300	3,350	3,350	3,400	3,450	3,500
Family contribution limit	6,250	6,450	6,550	6,650	6,750	6,750	6,900	7,000
Catch-up contributions	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Health FSAs ³								
Employee contribution limit		2,500	2,500	2,550	2,550	2,600	2,650	2,700



2018 Year-End Plan Reminders

The following items are a list of a few key annual reminders and deadlines for calendar year plans:

All Plans
Sign any discretionary plan amendments
Verify compliance with the new disability claims procedures
Consider whether SPDs or plan documents need to be updated
Pension, 401(k) and DC Plans
Verify compliance with annual discrimination testing
Verify plan did not exceed annual contribution limits (ADP, ACP, Code §§ 415
and 402(g))
Decide whether to amend for the new hardship withdrawal changes
Amend the plan for any disaster (e.g. Hurricane Harvey, Maria, and California
wildfires) relief used
Distribute required minimum distributions
Use forfeitures and revenue credit accounts
Review list of uncashed distribution checks and attempt to locate missing participants
Review participant information for force-out of small balances
Update 402(f) notice
Verify participant fee disclosures satisfied
Send QDIA notice (December 1, 2018)
Send Safe Harbor notice (December 1, 2018)
Send automatic elective contribution notice (December 1, 2018)
Fiduciary Obligations
Complete fiduciary training
Establish the fiduciary calendar for 2019
Make sure all approved minutes and meeting materials are in the file

Health and Welfare Plans				
Remind participants of upcoming deadlines relating to health FSA				
carryover/grace period				
Provide SBC, WHCRA, CHIP and COBRA notices				
Confirm health insurance meets ACA affordability rules for 2019				
Conduct nondiscrimination testing (cafeteria plan, health FSA, DCAP, and self-insured				
health plan)				
Verify wellness plan compliance				
Review new elements of health and welfare plans, including all component plans				
(e.g. medical insurance, dental insurance, and life insurance)				
Update wrap plan document to include the new component plans				
Executive Compensation				
Distribute and collect 2019 executive salary deferral elections for deferred				
compensation plans				
Confirm deferred compensation payable in 2018 was properly distributed and				
distribute any missed payments by year-end				
Prepare and issue participant and employer tax statements for 2018				
Code §409A corrections				
Consider implications of Tax Cuts and Jobs Act on executive compensation				