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## Tax information for seniors and snowbirds

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Senior taxpayers may be able to reduce their amount of taxable income by reviewing the list of [Indiana deductions from income](#) to see if they are eligible to claim them. Among these are:

- Civil Service Annuity deduction
- Disability Retirement deduction
- Human Services tax deduction for Medicaid recipients staying at a care facility or hospital
- Indiana partnership long term care policy premiums deduction
- Military Retirement Income and/or Survivor's Benefits deduction
- Social Security and Railroad Retirement benefits

Seniors may be entitled to the [Unified tax credit for the elderly](#). Most can claim this credit by filing their taxes on Form IT-40 or Form IT-40 PNR.

Low-income seniors may be eligible to file the shorter Form SC-40 to claim their refund of this credit if they [meet the qualifications](#).

Indiana residents who have a total value of their exemptions that exceed their federal gross income before deductions, do not need to file an Indiana income tax return. More information is available on DOR's [Who Must File a Tax Return](#) webpage.

### Snowbirds

Any Hoosier who spends a significant amount of time escaping winter in a different state (or country) is considered a full-year resident and does not have to be physically present in Indiana the entire year. However, if you have any questions, you may want to review the residency definitions on DOR's [Individual Income Tax Overview page](#).

### Important dates

File and pay your state and federal tax returns by **Monday, April 15, 2024**.

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### Resources

Information on filing requirements and specific tax benefits available to senior Hoosiers is available in DOR's [Income Tax Information Bulletin #26](#).

Help for seniors and low-income taxpayers is available from the following organizations:

[AARP Foundation Tax-Aide](#) Help for low- and moderate-income people, with special attention to those over age 50.

[IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance \(VITA\) and the Tax Counseling for the Elderly \(TCE\)](#)

Free tax help for taxpayers who qualify.

[Indy Free Tax Prep](#) Free tax preparation to individuals and families with a combined household income of \$66,000 or less.

and consulting a tax professional can help you navigate the specifics of residency, tax benefits and deductions.

[John Boner Neighborhood Centers](#)  
Free tax preparation and other services to eligible residents.

[Indiana Legal Services Low Income Taxpayer Clinic](#) Free legal assistance to Indiana taxpayers involved in disputes with the IRS.

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