

GOVERNMENT BENEFITS 2007

as of January 1, 2007



Canada Pension Plan and Quebec Pension Plan	CPP	QPP
1. Contribution Rate	4.95%	4.95%
2. Year's maximum pensionable earnings	\$ 43,700.00	\$ 43,700.00
3. Basic exemption	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
4. Maximum premiums for employees	\$1,989.90	\$1,989.90
Maximum premiums for self-employed	\$3,979.80	\$3,979.80
5. Benefits (maximum for new recipient)	\$863.75	\$863.75
6. Lump Sum Death Benefit (max.)	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
7. Disability (max.)	\$1,053.77	\$1,053.77
8. Dependent children's benefit	\$204.68	\$64.99
9. Surviving spouse 65 and over (max.)	\$518.25	\$518.25
10. Surviving spouse under 55 (max.)	\$482.30	-
Surviving spouse 55-64 (max.)	-	\$729.84
Surviving spouse under 55 (max.)	-	\$729.84
Old Age Security (effective January 1, 2007 - adjusted quarterly)		
1. Old Age Security	-	\$491.93
2. Guaranteed income supplement (max.)	- single	\$620.91
	- couple	\$410.04
3. Maximum spouse's allowance (Age 60-64)	-	\$901.97
4. Maximum widowed spouse's allowance (Age 60-64)	-	\$999.81
Unemployment Insurance (E.I.)		
	Canada (excl.)	Quebec
	Quebec	
1. Annual insurable earnings (maximum)	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
2. Premiums – annual maximum (employee)	\$720.00	\$584.00
Premiums – annual maximum (employer)	\$1,008.00	\$834.60
3. Benefits – weekly maximum (55% of insurable earnings)	\$423.00*	\$423.00 *
* supplement available for claimants with children and family net income under \$25,921		

Consumer Price Index

Publication dates for the CPI during the calendar year 2007 as it relates to your cost-of-living formulas under your collective agreement.

Month	Publication Date	Month	Publication Date	Month	Publication Date
Dec/06	Jan 23/07	Apr/07	May 17/07	Aug/07	Sept 19/07
Jan/07	Feb 20/07	May/07	June 19/07	Sept/07	Oct 19/07
Feb/07	Mar 20/07	June/07	July 18/07	Oct/07	Nov 20/07
Mar/07	Apr 19/07	July/07	Aug 21/07	Nov/07	Dec 18/07

Workers Compensation

Province	Percentage of Earnings	2007 Maximum Insurable Earnings/ Maximum Compensation Rate
Alberta	90% (net)	\$64,600
British Columbia	90% (net)	\$64,400
Manitoba	90% (net)	No Maximum
New Brunswick	85% (net)	\$53,200
Newfoundland/Labrador	80% (net)	\$48,425
NTW/Nunavut	90% (net)	\$69,200
Nova Scotia	75% (net) 1 st 26 weeks then 85% (net)	\$46,700
Ontario	85% (net)	\$71,800
Prince Edward Island	80% (net) 1 st 38 weeks then 85% (net)	\$44,700
Quebec	90% (net)	\$59,000
Saskatchewan	90% (net)	\$55,000
Yukon	75% (gross)	\$69,500

NOTE: Extreme caution should be used when comparing these numbers as the information is not directly comparable between WCBs.