

2014-2018 IRS Limits on Benefits & Compensation for Qualified Retirement Plans, SEPs and SIMPLEs

	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Defined Contribution <i>Annual Additions Limit</i>	\$55,000	\$54,000	\$53,000	\$53,000	\$52,000
Defined Benefit Annual Benefit Limit	\$220,000	\$215,000	\$210,000	\$210,000	\$210,000
Social Security Taxable Wage Base	\$128,700	\$127,200	\$118,500	\$118,500	\$117,000
Qualified Retirement Plan Compensation Limit	\$275,000	\$270,000	\$265,000	\$265,000	\$260,000
401(k)/403(b)/457(b) Calendar Year Deferral Limit	\$18,500	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$17,500
SIMPLE Plan Calendar Year Deferral Limit	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$12,500	\$12,000
Catch-up Deferral Limit (age 50+)	•	• • • • •	• • • • •	• • • • •	
401(k)/403(b)/457(b)	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$5,500
SIMPLE	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$2,500
SEP Contribution Eligibility Minimum Compensation Requirement	\$600	\$600	\$600	\$600	\$550
Highly Compensated Definition Compensation Test	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$115,000
Top-Heavy Key EE Definition					
Top Ten Owner Test	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Officer Test	\$175,000	\$175,000	\$170,000	\$170,000	\$170,000