

# Do I need to file a tax return?

## Will it benefit me to file?

Here are some guidelines on when to file a tax return:

1. You may need to file if you are:
  - Single, under 65 and your income was at least \$12,400
  - Single, 65 or older and your income was at least \$14,050
  - Married and filing jointly and both spouses are under 65, with total income at least \$24,800
  - Head of Household, you are under 65 with total income above \$18,650
2. You must also file if:
  - You have net earnings from self-employment of at least \$400
  - You or any of your dependents received advance payments of a Premium Tax Credit through the Marketplace (You should get a record of this on a 1095-A)
3. If you are between 25 and 64 years old and received any earned income from employment or self-employment you should file because you may be entitled to an earned income tax credit.
4. If you were eligible, but did not receive both 2020 stimulus payments, or if you received less than you think you were owed, you should file a 2020 tax return to claim the stimulus payment.
5. You do not need to file if your only income is from Social Security benefits and is less than \$25,000 a year (\$32,000 if married and filing jointly).

For a more thorough assessment go [here](#).