



Direct File



HELPFUL TIPS

to file with IRS Direct File

Free

No fees or extra charges

Easy

Step-by-step guidance

Any device

Mobile, tablet, or desktop

Secure

Your data is protected

Live chat

With IRS customer support

Spanish

File and chat live in Spanish

Eligibility

Check your eligibility at directfile.irs.gov to determine if IRS Direct File is right for you. IRS Direct File is an option if you lived in one of these states in 2024 for the entire year:

Alaska

Arizona

California

Connecticut

Florida

Idaho

Illinois

Kansas

Maine

Maryland

Massachusetts

Nevada

New Hampshire

New Jersey

New Mexico

New York

North Carolina

Oregon

Pennsylvania

South Dakota

Tennessee

Texas

Washington state

Wisconsin

Wyoming

IRS Direct File supports the following types of income, credits and deductions:

Income

- Wages from employers
(Form W-2)
- Social Security benefits
(Form SSA-1099)
- Unemployment compensation
(Form 1099-G)
- Interest income
(Form 1099-INT)
- Retirement income
(Form 1099-R)

IRS Direct File is not an option for if you have other types of income such as gig economy, rental or business income.

Credits

- [Earned Income Tax Credit](#)
- [Child Tax Credit](#)
- [Credit for Other Dependents](#)
- [Child and Dependent Care Credit](#)
- [Premium Tax Credit](#)
- [Credit for the Elderly or Disabled](#)
- [Retirement Savings Contribution Credit](#)

IRS Direct File is not an option for if you claim other tax credits.

Deductions

- [Standard deduction](#)
- [Student loan interest](#)
- [Educator expenses](#)
- [Health Savings Account contribution](#)

IRS Direct File is not an option if you itemize or claim other tax deductions.

Get your documents ready

- **Social Security number or individual tax ID number (ITIN) for you and anyone else on your return**
- Retrieve your identity protection (**IP PIN**) for the calendar year
- Your current address — **notify IRS if you changed your address**
- **Check** for account and routing numbers to direct deposit your refund to your bank, prepaid debit card or mobile app

Sign-in to IRS Direct File securely

- IRS Direct File uses **ID.me to secure your information and prevent fraud.**
- If you already have an ID.me account, you can use it for Direct File.
- If you don't have an ID.me account, you'll need to create one. From Direct File, you'll be taken to ID.me to create your account and verify your identity.
- **Learn more about the sign-up process for an IRS ID.me account** at the ID.me help center.

Find out more about IRS Direct File

- **Welcome to Direct File – Eligibility Checker**
- **IRS Publication 5916, File for free with IRS Direct File**
- **IRS Publication 5917, IRS Direct File - What you need to know**
- **IRS Publication 5952, Are you ready to file with IRS Direct File?**
- Visit **Direct File** on IRS.gov

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