Let the government top up your super

Don't miss out on extra help

Fact Sheet

July 2025

If your total income is less than \$62,488 this financial year, you could receive a super bonus from the government.

All you have to do is make an after-tax contribution to your super and meet the eligibility requirements.

Eligibility based on income

If your total income is 47,488 or less, and you put \$1,000 into your super as an after-tax contribution, you may be eligible to receive the maximum co-contribution of \$500 from the government.

You don't have to put in the maximum \$1,000 to receive a co-contribution from the government. If you only contribute \$200, the government co-contribution will be \$100. A \$400 after-tax contribution will earn you a co-contribution of \$200.

If you earn between \$47,488 and \$62,488 you may still be eligible to receive a co-contribution, but at a reduced rate.

The income limits described on this page refer to your **total income** (which is your assessable income **plus** salary sacrifice super contributions and voluntary employer contributions), plus any reportable fringe benefits. If part of your income comes from self-employment, then deductions for carrying on a business are allowed. More information about total income is shown at note 3 at the bottom of page 3.

The table on page 2 shows some examples of how the co-contribution decreases as income increases.

Please note that this table shows the amount of co-contribution you'll receive for eligible after-tax contributions made from 1 July 2025. For future financial years, the rate at which the co-contribution phases out may change.

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You can also use our calculator at **ngssuper.com.au/super/grow-my-super/after-tax-contributions** to work out how much co-contribution you could get.

Total income including salary sacrifice and reportable fringe benefits \$	Maximum approximate co-contribution available \$	Personal contribution required to receive maximum co-contribution \$
47,488	500	1000
48,488	466	933
49,488	433	866
50,488	400	800
51,488	366	733
52,488	333	667
53,488	300	600
54,488	266	533
55,488	233	467
56,488	200	400
57,488	167	334
58,488	133	267
59,488	100	200
60,488	67	134
61,488	33	67
62,488	0	0

The maximum co-contribution will reduce progressively where your total income is above the lower income threshold.

The amounts shown in the table above are approximate amounts and have been rounded down to the nearest whole dollar. If you are eligible for a government co-contribution, the payment will be rounded up to the nearest multiple of 5 cents.

The minimum co-contribution payment is \$20.

No application needed

The government does the work for you. Just make sure you make an after-tax contribution that is received by us before the end of the financial year and then lodge your tax return. The ATO will work out whether you are entitled to a co-contribution, and if you qualify, they will pay the amount into your super account.

Remember, the co-contribution is counted as a non-concessional (after-tax) contribution, so no tax is deducted when it's added to your account.



Check your eligibility

Here are the rules for 2025-26

To be eligible for the government co-contribution you must meet all conditions in the table.

Eligibility description

Your total super balance¹ at 30 June 2025 was less than \$2 million.

You have not exceeded your non-concessional contributions cap² for the 2025-26 financial year.

Your total income³ must be less than \$62,488.

You made at least one after-tax (non-concessional) contribution⁴ to your super by 30 June 2026.

You must not claim a tax deduction for your total after-tax contributions for the year.

If you are self-employed, at least 10% of your total income (not reduced by any business deductions) must come from employment or carrying on a business or a combination of both.

You are younger than 71 at the end of the financial year (30 June 2026).

You do not hold a temporary resident visa⁵ for any part of the financial year.

You must lodge an income tax return for 2025-26.6

1. Your total super balance is generally the total value of your super interests in both accumulation phase and retirement phase at the end of the previous financial year, noting that:

- for accumulation phase, this is generally the withdrawal value at 30 June
- for retirement phase, this is the balance of your transfer balance account which is managed by the ATO.
- You can view your total super balance through your Australian Taxation Office (ATO) linked account by logging into your myGov account at my.gov.au

^{2.} If you have more than one fund, all non-concessional contributions made to all of your funds are added together and counted towards the non-concessional contributions cap. If you are age 74 or under at the beginning of the financial year, you may be able to trigger the bring-forward rule and make non-concessional contributions of up to \$360,000 (3 times the annual non-concessional contributions cap) in that financial year.

Your non-concessional contribution must be received by the Fund by the earlier of:

- 28 days after the end of the month in which you turn age 75 and

- 30 June of the current financial year.

For more information please see our fact sheet Opportunities and limits for super contributions.

^{3.} Total income means your:

- assessable income **plus**

- reportable fringe benefits total **plus**
- total reportable super contributions reduced (but not below zero) by any excess concessional contributions minus
- assessable first home super saver released amount **minus**

- allowable business deductions.

4. A government co-contribution will not be paid on before-tax contributions including salary sacrifice contributions, employer contributions, deductible member contributions or spouse contributions.

- ^{5.} Unless you are a New Zealand citizen or it was a prescribed visa.
- ^{6.} The co-contribution will be paid into your super account after your tax return has been assessed. Once you receive the co-contribution, it will be a preserved benefit. That means it must be kept in a super fund until a condition of release occurs, for example if you turn 65 or have reached age 60 and are permanently retired. Further details can be found in our fact sheet Gaining access to your super at ngssuper.com.au/factsheets



Smart moves

- If you start work part-way through the year, you'll have earned less than one full year's income by the end of the financial year, so you may be entitled to receive the full co-contribution amount.
- If you have started working part-time and your income has been reduced, you may now be eligible.

Making after-tax contributions

You can make your own voluntary contributions if you are under age 75 by:

- logging into Member Online at ngssuper.com.au/mol and accessing your BPAY[®] details
- completing the Lump sum contribution form and returning with a cheque or
- making regular contributions from your pay by completing the **Payroll deductions** form and providing it to your employer.

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Beat the 30 June deadline

We must receive your after-tax contribution before 30 June 2026 for you to be eligible for a co-contribution for the 2025-26 financial year. Don't leave it until the last minute: always allow some time for posting and processing. Otherwise, it will be counted for the next financial year.

More information?

Contact us

You can contact us at **ngssuper.com.au/contactus** or call us on **1300 133 177** Monday to Friday, 8am–8pm (AEST/AEDT).

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Need help?

If you are thinking about your super contributions, consider obtaining professional advice for your personal situation.

Getting advice on your NGS Super account is easy, whether it's a simple check in to understand your options or comprehensive advice for you and your family, we have you covered.

Contact us on **1300 133 177** to make an appointment or learn more at **ngssuper.com.au/advice**.

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