




3 CANADA RECOVERY BENEFITS: as of Aug 3, 2021

BENEFIT	CURRENT # on APPROVED CLAIM	EFFECTIVE PERIOD	MAXIMUM WEEKS	QUALIFYING RULES	BENEFIT RATE
Canada Recovery Benefit (CRB) 	701,170 (July 4 to 17 claim period)	Start Sept 27, 2020 Ends Oct. 23, 2021	54 weeks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • not employed or self-employed, for reasons related to Covid-19 • or 50% reduction in average weekly income compared to previous year, due to Covid-19 • meet other qualifying rules • seeking work • not eligible for EI • 2 week claim periods 	Before July 18, 2021: \$500 weekly (= \$450 after tax withheld) paid biweekly July 18, 2021: Reduced to \$300 weekly (= \$270 after tax) paid biweekly <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • first time claimants: automatically from July 18, 2021 • previous claimants: may be later than July 18 = \$500 for maximum 42 weeks and \$300 thereafter.
Canada Recovery Caregiving Benefit (CRCB) 	100,290 (July 11 to 17 claim period)	Start Sept 27, 2020 Ends Oct. 23, 2021	42 weeks per household	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • unable to work at least 50% of scheduled week because caring for dependent due to closures, high risk or caregiver availability • meet other qualifying rules • not on EI for same week • 1 week claim periods 	\$500 weekly (= \$450 after tax withheld). Not reduced to \$300 but 42 weeks maximum
Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit (CRSB) 	3,860 (July 11 to 17 claim period)	Start Sept 27, 2020 Ends Oct. 23, 2021	4 weeks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • unable to work at least 50% of scheduled week because self-isolating with Covid-19 or may have Covid-19, required to self-isolate or have underlying condition putting at greater risk • meet other qualifying rules • not on EI for same week • 1 week claim periods 	\$500 weekly (= \$450 after tax withheld). Not reduced to \$300 but 4 weeks maximum

www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/benefits/recovery-benefit/crb-how-much.html

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EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE: as of Aug 3, 2021



CURRENT # on ACTIVE CLAIM (approved for most recent claim period starting July 18)

1,878,280 on Regular EI (including those 'Working While on Claim' with partial EI benefits)
+ 312,450 on Fishing or Special EI (maternity/ parental, sickness, caregiving, opt-in self-employed)

	QUALIFYING RULES	DURATION	BENEFIT RATE
<p>Stage 1. Temporary EI "Enhancements"</p> <p>For new claims between Sept 27, 2020 and Sept 25, 2021</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 420 insured hours to qualify in all regions (not variable 420 to 700) • Claimants can qualify with only 120 hours for both Regular and Special EI using a special one-time 'Hours Credit' • Normal 52-week period to accumulate hours extended for CERB claimants • Reduced qualifying earnings for Self-employed opting into Special Benefits • Medical proof waived for Sick benefits • Fishers' earnings look-back extended • Multiple job holders can use all insured hours provided last separation is valid. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum EI Regular benefit duration extended to 50 weeks in all regions • Duration calculated at 13.1% unemployment rate (or higher, if applicable). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum \$500 weekly (taxable), paid biweekly • Workers receive a higher rate if entitled (55% of normal earnings up to \$573 in 2020 or \$595 max in 2021) • Fixed 14 Best weeks of earnings used for benefit calculation (not variable 14 to 22 weeks). • Waiver of 1 week waiting period (when EI not normally paid) • Separation payment allocation is suspended (not assigned to initial EI weeks).
<p>Stage 2. Temporary EI Measures</p> <p>For new claims between Sept 26, 2021 and Sept 25, 2022</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 420 insured hours for Regular EI in all regions (not variable 420 to 700) • 420 insured hours for Special EI benefits (not 600 hours) • Multiple job holders can use all insured hours provided last separation is valid • No longer available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 120 hour qualifying rule ○ all other temporary enhancements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duration reverts to calculation based on worker's accumulated hours and regional unemployment (for Regular EI) • Seasonal pilot project continues for 1 year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benefit rate reverts to 55% of normal earnings (\$595 max 2021) • Exception: Minimum benefit still applies to new claims between Sept 26 and Nov. 20 but reduced to \$300 • Separation payment allocation remains suspended for 1 more year • No longer available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ \$500 minimum benefit rate ○ Fixed 14 Best Weeks ○ Waiver of 1 waiting week.
<p>Stage 3. End of Temporary Measures</p> <p>For new claims after Sept 25, 2022</p>	<p>All temporary measures revert to pre-COVID EI Act and Regulations after Sept 25, 2022 ... unless amended before then. The current EI Premium freeze also comes to an end in December 2022. The sole permanent change to date: EI Sick Benefits increase to 26-week maximum (currently 15 weeks) effective next summer 2022.</p> <p>Consultations begin summer 2021 on possible long-term EI reforms.</p>		

www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/ei/notice-covid-19.html AND www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/ei/statistics.html AND www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/news/2021/07/government-extends-covid-19-benefits-and-business-supports-to-support-stronger-economic-recovery.html