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HEALTH INSURANCE REBATE CHANGES

From 1 July, 2012, an individual's entitlement to a **private health insurance rebate** will be income tested.

If you have private health insurance, this change could mean that you lose the rebate on your premiums (30% to 40% depending on your age) if your income is over the thresholds as noted in the table below and you pay your premium after 30 June, 2012.

If you pay your premium before this date, it appears that you should still be entitled to your current rebate percentage.

From 1 July 2012, the Government will introduce three new 'Private Health Insurance Incentive Tiers:

	<\$84,000	\$84,001-97,000	\$97,001-130,000	>\$130,001
Singles				
Families	<\$168,000	\$168,001-194,000	\$194,001-260,000	>\$260,001
	Rebate			
< age 65	30%	20%	10%	0%
Age 65-69	35%	25%	15%	0%
Age 70+	40%	30%	20%	0%

If you are single and earning over \$84,000 or a family earning over \$168,000, we recommend that you consider paying your premiums for the 2012/2013 year in full prior to 30 June, 2012 in order to maximise your rebate before the new rates apply.

For this purpose, income includes reportable fringe benefits, reportable superannuation contributions and investment losses.

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