

# COVID-19 Economic Response Plan

These resources are provided as a reference for those seeking information on the economic measures introduced by the Government of Canada to support Canadian workers and businesses during this challenging period. For more details, see **Canada's COVID-19 Economic Response Plan:** [www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan.html](http://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan.html)

## Helpful resources

### Support for individuals and families

Increasing the Canada child benefit (CCB)	<a href="http://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/campaigns/covid-19-update/covid-19-benefits-credits-support-payments.html#changes">www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/campaigns/covid-19-update/covid-19-benefits-credits-support-payments.html#changes</a>	CRA
Special Goods and Services Tax credit (GSTC) payment	<a href="http://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/campaigns/covid-19-update/covid-19-benefits-credits-support-payments.html#changes">www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/campaigns/covid-19-update/covid-19-benefits-credits-support-payments.html#changes</a>	CRA
Extra time to file income tax returns	<a href="http://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/campaigns/covid-19-update/covid-19-benefits-credits-support-payments.html#file">www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/campaigns/covid-19-update/covid-19-benefits-credits-support-payments.html#file</a>	CRA
Mortgage support	<a href="http://www.cba.ca/mortgage-deferral-to-help-canadians-experiencing-financial-hardship-due-to-covid-19">www.cba.ca/mortgage-deferral-to-help-canadians-experiencing-financial-hardship-due-to-covid-19</a>	CBA

### Facing unemployment?

The new Canada Emergency Response Benefit	<a href="http://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/benefits/apply-for-cerb-with-cra.html">www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/benefits/apply-for-cerb-with-cra.html</a>	CRA
Apply for Employment Insurance (EI)	<a href="http://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/ei/ei-regular-benefit/apply.html">www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/ei/ei-regular-benefit/apply.html</a>	ESDC

### Sick, quarantined, or in directed self-isolation?

The new Canada Emergency Response Benefit* (*also applies to people unable to work)	<a href="http://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/benefits/apply-for-cerb-with-cra.html">www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/benefits/apply-for-cerb-with-cra.html</a>	CRA
Improved access to EI sickness benefits	<a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/ei/ei-sickness/apply.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/ei/ei-sickness/apply.html</a>	ESDC

### Senior?

Reduced minimum withdrawals for Registered Retirement Income Funds (RRIFs)	<a href="http://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/campaigns/covid-19-update/covid-19-benefits-credits-support-payments.html#changes">www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/campaigns/covid-19-update/covid-19-benefits-credits-support-payments.html#changes</a>	CRA
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### Student or recent graduate?

A moratorium on the repayment of Canada Student Loans	<a href="http://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/corporate/notices/coronavirus.html">www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/corporate/notices/coronavirus.html</a>	ESDC
Canada Emergency Student Benefit (CESB)	<a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan.html</a>	Department of Finance

### Support for people who need it most

Enhancing the Reaching Home initiative	<a href="http://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan/covid19-individuals.html#enhancing_reaching_home_initiative">www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan/covid19-individuals.html#enhancing_reaching_home_initiative</a>	ESDC
Support for women's shelters and sexual assault centres	<a href="http://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan/covid19-individuals.html#support_women_shelters_and_sexual_assault_centers">www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan/covid19-individuals.html#support_women_shelters_and_sexual_assault_centers</a>	Department of Finance
A new Indigenous Community Support Fund	<a href="https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1585189335380/1585189357198">https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1585189335380/1585189357198</a>	Indigenous Services

## Receiving benefit and credit payments



We encourage you to file your income tax and benefit return electronically and as early as possible before June 1, 2020, to make sure your benefits and credits are not interrupted.



You are encouraged to register for direct deposit on CRA's [My Account](#) self-service portal, as this is the quickest and most reliable way to get benefit and credit payments.