

Seniors Supplement

The following table shows how to calculate the Seniors Supplement based on July 1, 2004 federal OAS/GIS/Allowance payment levels

	SINGLE or married to spouse not on OAS/GIS/Allowance	MARRIED (both on OAS/GIS) (each) x 2=Couple	MARRIED (Spouse on Allowance) PENSIONER SPOUSE	
OAS	\$ 466.63	\$466.63	\$466.63	\$466.63
GIS	+ \$ 554.59	+ \$361.24	+ \$361.24	+ \$361.24
	\$1021.22	\$827.87	\$827.87	\$827.87
Seniors Supplement	+ \$ <u>NIL*</u>	+ \$ <u>17.71</u>	+ \$ <u>17.71</u>	+ \$ <u>7.29</u>
			\$845.58	+ \$835.16
Guaranteed Totals	= \$ 1,018.04	= \$ 845.58		= \$ 1,680.74

*no longer paid

OAS/GIS/Allowance are reviewed for adjustment quarterly.

Notes:

- The payment system automatically adjusts for the quarterly changes to OAS/GIS/Allowance. Effective April 1, 2002, these quarterly adjustments started to be reduced by the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increases in OAS/GIS payments until Senior Supplement (SS) payments cease.
- In cases where the family unit consists of a couple where one adult only receives OAS/GIS/Allowance and the SS and the family receives top up from BCEA, the Management Information System (MIS) will automatically deduct these payments. Deductions are first taken from the family's support portion, then the shelter portion. Any remaining entitlement will be paid by the MIS.
- With the July 2004 adjustments, the Seniors Supplement for Singles has reduced to zero (\$0) and will no longer be paid by the province.