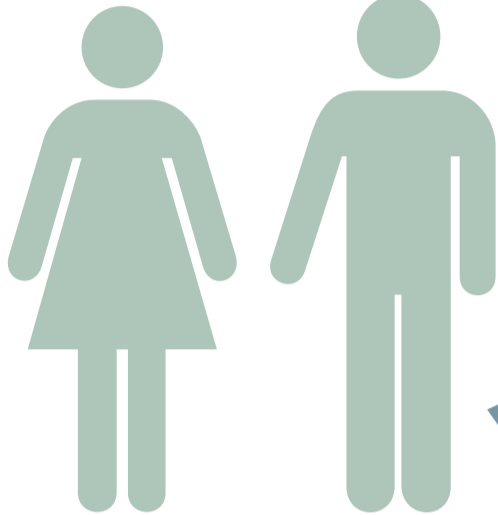


Undocumented Immigrants: Contributions vs. Benefits

Undocumented workers pay more into the system than is spent on their care.



They pay:

- Sales tax
- Excise tax
- Property tax
- Income tax
- Payroll taxes, including Social Security, Medicare and Unemployment taxes

But are typically ineligible for:

- Food stamps
- Medicare
- Social Security
- Federal Housing Programs
- Earned Income Tax Credit

Undocumented immigrants have contributed between \$120 billion and \$240 billion to the Social Security Trust Fund.

They paid in a net total of \$12 billion in 2007.

Source: "How illegal immigrants are helping Social Security," *The Washington Post*, September 3, 2010, at <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/09/02/AR2010090202673.html>

\$2.5 Billion

Undocumented Immigrants' Estimated Annual Net Contribution to Medicare

According to a study released this past June in Health Affairs.

Undocumented workers' contributions create a Medicare surplus.

